

Santo Domingo de Cundiyo Land Grant

Board of Trustees Meeting December 7, 2022

Attendance: Willie Cordova, Gabriel Vigil, Ronald Vigil, Steve Vigil and Jack Vigil

The meeting was called to order at 7:23 p.m.

The next agenda item was the approval of the agenda. Willie made the motion to approve the agenda. Gabriel seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The next item was the approval of the minutes of May 14, 2022. Gabriel made the motion to approve the minutes of May 14, 2022 as written. Willie seconded the motion. The motion was approved as written.

The next agenda item was the treasures report. Ronald reported that we currently have \$125437.26 in checking \$5:00 in savings and \$2319.83 in our CD. We were awarded a capital outlaw grant of \$111,111.00. That outlay funding was deposited on October 28, 2022. Ron reported that with this additional funding there will be a considerable amount of reporting to the state as to how we are using these funds. Ron stated that this reporting is beyond what he can deal with. He was comfortable with our annual dues collection and reporting but not with all the new requirements. He said that he had talked with Stephanie Kramer from the state and she told him that maybe he could do the reporting and maybe not. She suggested that maybe we should investigate hiring an accountant. He agrees that we should hire an accountant. We need to keep good records on how we are spending the funds. Gabriel said he had also spoken with Stephanie and she said we could still operate our dues budget as before, it is the outlay funding that would require more oversight. Gabriel said that this outlay funding is not required to be spent all in one year and that we can roll it over to following years. We might be able to receive more funding in following years based on our spending and the State budget. We all agreed that hiring an accountant would be the best thing for our Merced. Steve mentioned that he is aware of how these grants and funding work as part of his regular job. Steve asked if we know of anybody that we could hire. Steve said that he knew of someone that might be interested. We agreed that Steve would talk to this person that he knows. Her name is Margaret Campos from Embudo and see if she would be interested in taking on this position. Steve said that we could meet her via a ZOOM meeting and if we think she would be the right fit and she agrees to work for us we would hire her. Jack made the motion that the Land Grant hire an accountant. If Margaret Campos meets our needs we should hire her. Willie seconded the motion. Steve made an amendment to include the wording that the accountant would be a part time accountant for the Merced. The motion passed. We continued to discuss the possibilities and priorities of how to spend this funding.

The next agenda item was budget resolution. This was tabled until we get an accountant.

The next agenda item was the election discussion. Our elections are upcoming in April. We discussed the new bylaws requirement and how we need to proceed. We will need to have a nomination meeting in February. We discussed at length the nominations and elections. Steve said that instead of discussing this issue anymore at this meeting that we should all familiarize ourselves with the new requirements and have another meeting in January to iron these issues prior to a membership meeting to be held in February (TBA).

The next agenda item was Ryen Burrow Key. Steve said that Ryen has asked for a key, but that he wants his attorney to pick it up. No action was taken on this item

The next agenda item was Funding Reporting Requirements and Time Frame. We tabled this item until we get an accountant.

The next agenda item was Old Business. Steve said that he needs to write a letter to the forest service regarding. Steve brought up the lease with Juan Trujillo. He asked if Juan has paid the dues for his lease. Ron said he would look into this and report it at our next meeting.

The next agenda item was new business. Gabriel brought up the idea of getting internet at the community center. He said that this could help us with our meetings. They talked about Star Link being purchased. The building does not belong to the Merced it is county owned.

The next agenda item was announcements. There were no announcements.

Ron made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Gabriel seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m. We decided to schedule our next meeting on January 11, 2023.

Respectfully,


Jack Vigil

Santo Domingo de Cundiyo
Secretary