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THE LOWER GALLINAS LAND GRANT LA SIERRITA-MERCED

Quarterly Meeting

DATE: July 18, 2026

TIME – 10::00 am

LOCATION – La Placita Fire Station in Gallinas

DRAFT MINUTES

1. Ron Ortega called the meeting to order at 10:01am
2. Ron Ortega stated that we have a minute of silence so each member can do their own personal invocation
3. Presentation of the new BOT was done by Chairman Ortega
 - a. Secretary-Kathy Archuleta
 - b. Collector-Anita Baca
 - c. Treasurer-Gary David Jordan
 - d. Chairman-Ron Ortega
4. Roll call of officers: Chairman/Ron Ortega (x), Secretary Kathy Archuleta (x), Treasurer Gary David Jordan (x), Collector Anita Baca (x)
5. Chairman Ortega announced to the membership that we are going to try out our device for recording meeting at this time because we do not have internet, we do not know if it will take or not
6. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Treasure Jordan made a motion to approve the agenda for July 18, 2026
 - b. Motion was seconded by Secretary Archuleta
 - c. Voted on amended Agenda
 - d. All in favor - Vote was unanimous
7. Approval of Agenda on June 12, 2026
 - a. Secretary Archuleta discussed June 12, 2026, draft minutes
 - b. Treasurer Jordan, made a motion to approve the Agenda for June 12, 2026
 - c. Motion was seconded by Collector Baca
 - d. All in Favor – Vote was unanimous

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8. Announcements

- a. Resolution #1 was read by Secretary Archuleta Public Posting and areas for LGLG Members meeting
 - a. Resolution to determine the location of posting meeting notice "26-27"
 1. Chairman Ortega discussed with membership about resolution
 - a. Motion was made by Collector Baca to accept resolution #1 on public posting and locations for the lower Gallinas land grant la Sierrita-Merced
 - b. Motion was seconded by Secretary Archuleta to accept resolution #1 on the public posting and locations for the Lower Gallinas Land Grant La Sierrita-Merced
 - c. All in favor - Vote was unanimous
- b. What is our process of communication with our LGLG members, Treasurer Jordan proposed that we do zoom meetings because everything is documented and would be posted on website
 - a. Member Jonathan Jordan, state that we do not have internet service here at the Placita Fire Station we can't use the fire department internet so how can we proceed with zoom. Treasurer Jordan stated with Star Link you can get service anywhere in the world and its secure. He provided his portable star link he used at the meeting. Member Bobby Padilla stated I'm old school new technology Member Henritta Trujillo stated it was wonderful information. Member Tony Benvidez asked if once we start this process will attendance via zoom count. Treasurer Jordan said yes, zoom can take attendance. Member Margaret Lucero stated that the Bylaws require in-person for new membership. They must be present. Member Ezekiel Jordan stated it was a footstep forward zoom. Member Mark Montano stated that new membership should be in person to read letters. Treasurer Jordan stated he wanted membership to move forward. Member Andrew Ortega stated, on July 1st follow by laws. Member Avedona Lucero stated that perhaps we could compromise to see members at least once. Will communication interference with the Fire Station. Gary stated no interference. Member Phillip Benavidez asked if the BOT would be required to be present. The answer was YES. Member Michael Armijo thinks it's a great idea, but new members should be present for first time. Member Tony Benavidez agrees but laws state differently about new members, he thinks new members should be present at least once.

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Secretary Archuleta agrees and states that there is so much talent and knowledge within our membership it will help the LGLG.

Treasurer Jordan made motion that we accept zoom meetings as a means of communication BOT must be present

Archuleta seconded the motion that we accept zoom meetings as a means of communication with the BOT being present.

All in favor - Vote was unanimous

- c. New Bylaws are in effect- Treasurer Jordan stated the governance of Bylaws explain in detail executive session membership
 - a. Please read bylaws on membership attendance
 - b. Please read bylaws on membership dues
 - c. Meeting recordings YES or NO

9. Collectors Quarterly Report FY 2025-2026

- a. Collector Baca stated that as of April 2026 to July 17, 2026, collection amount was \$1,085 for a total of \$2,385 for fiscal year 2025- 2026
- b. Treasurer Jordan made a motion to approve the collectors report
- c. Secretary Archuleta second the motion to accept the collectors report.
- d. All in favor – Vote was unanimous

10. Treasurers' Quarterly Report- Member Margaret Lucero asked what dollars are in the Charles Swab, on the Aniox and the Southwest accounts. Treasurer Jordan stated that he does not have access to any finances as of date.

- a. Secretary Archuleta made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Quarterly report
- b. Collector Baca second the motion to accept the Treasurer's Quarterly report
- c. All in favor – Vote unanimous

11. Old Business

- a. Ratification of the 2026 election for the LGLG BOT was read by Chairman Ortega. The Election for the LGLG BOT was held on May 09, 2026 per Article X: Election of the Lower Gallinas Land Grant La Sierrita – Merced. The election n was for 3 positions on the BOT with Kathy Archuleta, Gary David Jordan and Ronald Ortega being properly elected to the positions of the LGLG BOT. Anita Baca continued with her position on the LGLG BOT. The LGLG BOT reorganized the offices of the LGLG BOT as follows: Ronald Ortega, Chairman, Kathy Archuleta, Secretary, Gary David Jordan, Treasurer, and Anita Baca, Collector. One position on the LGLG BOT remains open currently.

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LGLG members are welcome to submit a letter of interest for consideration to serve on the LGLG BOT.

- b. Collector Baca stated Francisco Padilla was the judge. Member Bobby Padilla asked Francisco if they were related in any way. Member Helen Padilla asked Francisco if he was a legal citizen. Member Phillip Benavidez thanked Francisco.
 - a. Treasurer Jordan made a motion to accept the ratification of the 2026 election for the LGLG BOT and thanked Francisco Padilla for his service
 - b. Secretary Archuleta second the motion to accept the ratification of the 2026 election for the LGLG BOT
 - c. All in favor – Vote unanimous

12. New Business

- a. Resolution #2 FY Final Quarter Financial Report Year Ending June 30, 2026
 - a. Treasurer Jordan made a motion to accept resolution #2 FY Final Quarter Financial Report Year Ending June 30, 2026.
 - b. Secretary Archuleta second the motion to accept resolution #2 Final Quarter Financial Report Year Ending June 30, 2026.
 - c. All in favor – Vote unanimous
- b. Resolution # 3 budget adoption FY 2027 Year 2026-2027
 - a. Has been completed-No action
- c. Land Grant Merced Assistance Fund Fy 2027 Year 2026-2027
Treasurer Jordan stated that because we are behind one year and it will be two years in December, as a result, we do not qualify for the Assistance fund for Fy 26-27
- d. Resolution#4 to move investment under “cash” to investment QB and LGBMS
 - a. Collector Baca made motion to accept the movement of investment under “cash” to investment QB and LGBMS
 - b. Secretary Archuleta second the motion to accept the movement of investment under “cash” to investment QB and LGBM.
All in favor - Vote was unanimous
- e. Bequeathal Letter from Arturo Dario Padilla
 - a. Jerome Author Padilla’s grandson of Arturo Dario Padilla, read his letter
 - b. Collector Baca made a motion to accept the bequeathal of Arturo Dario

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- c. Secretary Archuleta second the motion to accept the bequeathal of Arturo Dario Padilla.
- d. All in favor - Vote was unanimous
- f. Reading of 9 Membership Request
 - a. Alyssa Sena- yes votes 24 no votes 12 (threshold was 27)
 - b. Zebediah Jordan – yes votes 36 no votes 0 (threshold was 27)
 - c. Michael Albert Padilla- yes votes 30 no votes 5 abstain 1 (threshold was 27)
 - d. Michelle Ortega- yes votes 34 no votes 1 (threshold was 26)
 - e. Cindy Blea-Naranjo-yes votes 34 no votes 1 (threshold was 26)
 - f. Alyssa Nicole Lucero- yes votes 30 no votes 5 (threshold was 26)
 - g. Aalissa Fernandez Lucero- yes votes 31 no votes 4 (threshold was 26)
 - h. Joann Ortega Standridge- yes votes 32 no votes 4 (threshold was 27)
 - i. Kendell Jordan-no action taken
- g. Quarterly Dates for LGLG meetings.
 - a. October 17,2026
 - b. January 16,2027
 - c. April 17,2027
 - d. July 17,2027
 - 1. Treasurer Jordan made a motion to accept the quarterly meeting dates for fiscal year 2026 – 2027.
 - 2. Secretary Archuleta second the motion to accept the quarterly meeting dates for fiscal year 2026 -2027.
 - 3. All in favor – Vote was unanimous

Comments 3-minutes

- e. Member Margaret Lucero -Decline comment
- f. Member Avedona Lucero- she encourages all to educate yourselves on Bylaws
- g. Member Bobby Padilla - thanks everyone
- h. Member Tony Benavidez-a bunch of new members we should have July picnic to get to know each other we need to be proactive on our land grant by having day to plant trees
- i. Member Phillip Benavidez 1 purchasing land 2 is road project and 3 tree planting

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h. Non-Heir Comments-2-minutes

No one signed up

13. Adjournment 1:25pm

Treasurer Jordan made a motion to adjourn

14. Secretary Archuleta second the motion to adjourn

15. All in favor – Vote was unanimous