

National Western Center Authority Board Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting:	October 17, 2024	Time:	9:00 am – 11:05 am
Minutes Prepared by:	Alexi Palazzari	Location:	Hybrid Meeting via Zoom and In Person
Meeting Description			
National Western Center Authority Board Meeting			
Authority Board Member Attendance at Meeting			
Name	Present	Absent	Notes
John Ikard	X In Person		Chair voted delegated votes below as allowed under Bylaw 1.10.
Steven McCarthy	X In Person		
Robb Brown		X	Robb sent an email delegating John Ikard to vote on his behalf.
Diedra Garcia	X Zoom		
Kelly Leid		X	Kelly sent an email delegating John Ikard to vote on his behalf.
Sandra Ruiz	X In Person		
Tony Frank	X In Person		
Bill Mosher		X	
Doug Jones	X In Person		
Paul Andrews	X In Person		
Ernest House	X In Person		
Caroline Acha	X Zoom		
Nicole Doheny*	X In Person		
Other attendees including members of the public are as recorded registration for the meeting. Guests: Mark Williams			



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Topic	Owner	Time
Call to Order		
Quorum Meeting was called to order by John Ikard, Chair. Quorum present.	John Ikard	9:01 a.m.
Board Business/Action Items		
Approval of Minutes for September 19, 2024 A motion to approve the Minutes was made by Director Doug Jones and seconded by Director Ernest House. Motion carried.	John Ikard	9:02 a.m.
Chairman Update		
Chairmen John Ikard shared a 9News video featuring Director Sandra Ruiz and the Sabor Comunitario program.	John Ikard	9:03 a.m.
CEO Update		
Facilities Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equestrian Center/Hotel in exec session • Cup North in exec session • District Sign Plan underway • Cell tower • DAS system • Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) • BESS signage Community Outreach <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upcoming Events & Sponsorships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DeNoBa Members Meeting re: Ballot Initiatives (October 17) • Dia de los Muertos Event (November 9) • Johnson Rec Center Holiday Event (December) • Other <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Begin planning for annual Trunk or Treat event in October • Begin identifying sponsors for Stock Show 2025 • Upcoming Stock Show events – tables Staffing and Operations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procurements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Janitorial – signed • Ticketing – closed, in review (exec session) 	Brad Buchanan	9:08 a.m.



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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Security - issuance in 2025 • Parking – issuance in 2025 • Staffing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety & Sustainability – Coming soon • Community Events and Outreach Manager • Thank you Anthony! • 2025 NWCA budget review today • Land acknowledgement process starting next month 		
Partner Reports		9:15 a.m.
NWCO Update provided as part of the board packet with no additional information shared during the board meeting.	Mike Bouchard	
CSU: Update provided as part of the board packet with no additional information shared during the board meeting.	Jocelyn Hittle	
WSSA: Update provided during the board meeting.	Paul Andrews	
COMMUNITY UPDATE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tepeyac Health Center Gala at Seawell raised \$399k • 11/9 Dia De Los Muertos at CSU Spur. There will be Aztec dancers, paper flowers, and a Spanish rock concert. • Sabor Communicatio extended to December. There will be a graduation ceremony. SSA chefs are working with Sandra to train participants and provide jobs during Stock Show. They will be taking a tour of the complex. • Working to provide 600 chicken boxes of food for Thanksgiving. 	Sandra Ruiz & Caroline Acha	
Committee Reports		9:45 a.m.
Finance & Audit Updated provided in board packet.	Steven Biedermann	
Campus Services & Partnerships Updated provided in board packet.	Jessica Koenig	
Community Benefits Update provided in board packet.	Anthony Aragon	
NWC Community Update		
Anthony shared a community update.	Anthony Aragon	9:48 a.m.
Highlights include 650 jobs created as part of the NWC procurement processes. Projecting 69% of all 2024		



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campuswide services spend with local, small, disadvantaged, minority or women owned businesses.		
NWC has hosted and will continue to host regular campus events for the community. The next event is the Trunk or Treat event on 10/30.		
NWC sponsored and fundraised for more than 20 events that provided over \$28,000 in direct financial support to community partners & organizations.		
Public Comment		
No public comment.	John Ikard	10:03 a.m.
Executive Session		
A Motion was made by Director Paul Andrews and seconded by Director Doug Jones to enter Executive Session. Motion Approved.	John Ikard	10:06 a.m.
A Motion was made by Director Paul Andrews and seconded by Director Steven McCarthy to exit Executive Session. Motion Approved.	John Ikard	11:02 a.m.
Action Items – Motions Approved by BOD		
A Motion was made by Director Tony Stark and seconded by Director Steven McCarthy to approve the NWCA 2025 Operating Budget including District Energy Loan. Motion Approved.	John Ikard	11:03 a.m.
Adjourn		
There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting.	John Ikard	11:05 a.m.

Next Board of Directors Meeting					
Date:	November 21, 2024	Time:	9:00 a.m.	Location:	Hybrid via Zoom * NWCA offices

Submitted by: Alexi Palazzari

Approved by: Board of Directors

Date:

