



Semillas Sociedad Civil

MINUTES

SSC_COT 06.17.2025 Regular Meeting Council of Trustees

Date and Time

Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at 5:30 pm

Location

4970 Huntington Drive South, Los Angeles, CA 90032

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86734513278?pwd=RtbxdG6Q8Ss8ubY3rpXF515wZdJexk.1>

Council of Trustees Present:

Dr. Reynaldo Macias, Ramon Avila, Yvette Casas, Arturo Rojas, Dr. Ernesto Colin

Council of Trustees Absent:

Dr. Irene Vasquez

Personnel Present:

Marcos Aguilar, Trinidad Ruiz, Jose Montes de Oca,

Online: Jaemy Garcia-Matthews, Debi Deal

I. Opening items:

A. Record attendance

B. Welcome & Call the meeting to order

Dr. Reynaldo Macias called a meeting of the Council of Trustees of Semillas Sociedad Civil to order on Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at 5:45PM



C. Approval minutes of SSC_COT Regular_Meeting_04.09.2025

Yvette Casas made a motion to approve of the minutes.
Arturo Rojas seconded the motion.

The board VOTED to approve the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ramon Avila	Yes
Dr, Reynaldo Macias	Abstain
Dr. Ernesto Colin	Yes
Yvette Casas	Yes
Arturo Rojas	Yes

D. Approval minutes of SSC_COT Regular_Meeting_05.15.2025

Yvette Casas made a motion to approve of the minutes.
Arturo Rojas seconded the motion.

The board VOTED to approve the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ramon Avila	Yes
Dr, Reynaldo Macias	Abstain
Dr. Ernesto Colin	Yes
Yvette Casas	Yes
Arturo Rojas	Yes

E. Approval minutes of SSC_COT Regular_Meeting_06.3.2025

Moved to the next Council of Trustees meeting.

II. Academic Excellence

A. 2025 Local Indicators Report

Marcos Aguilar, Executive Director, and Debi Deal, contractor, provided an update on the Local Indicators Report and provided an overview of the test scores and college preparation.

No additional action taken



B. Local Control & Accountability Plan (LCAP)

Debi Deal, Contractor, and Marcos Aguilar, updated the Council of Trustees on the overview of the goals and details for the LCAP in preparation for the next board meeting.

No additional action taken

C. 2025-26 Semillas Budget

Debi Deal, Contractor, provided a detailed review of the Semillas budget for the fiscal year 2025-26, covering wages of employees, retirement system, surplus savings, enrollment, projections, fund balance, compliance calendar, and overall a positive budget for the upcoming fiscal year.

Dr. Reynaldo Macias made a motion to adopt the budget.
Arturo Rojas seconded the motion.

The board VOTED to adopt the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ramon Avila	Yes
Dr, Reynaldo Macias	Si
Dr. Ernesto Colin	Yes
Yvette Casas	Si
Arturo Rojas	Yes

D. Approval of school calendar

Jose Montes de Oca, Assistant Principal, provided the Council of Trustees the preference by the staff and students for the upcoming school calendar. First day of school starts on Wednesday, August 13th, 2025.

Arturo Rojas made a motion to approve of the school calendar for 2025-2026..
Yvette Casas seconded the motion.

The board VOTED to approve the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ramon Avila	Yes
Dr, Reynaldo Macias	Yes
Dr. Ernesto Colin	Yes
Yvette Casas	Yes
Arturo Rojas	Yes



E. Alta Foods

Jose Montes de Oca reviewed the contract with Alta Foods, a new company hired by the school to provide healthy foods. Jose Montes de Oca will research non GMO, organic foods provided to the students.

Dr. Ernesto Colin made a motion to approve of the contract with Alta Foods. Ramon Avila seconded the motion.

The board VOTED to approve the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ramon Avila	Yes
Dr, Reynaldo Macias	Yes
Dr. Ernesto Colin	Yes
Yvette Casas	Yes
Arturo Rojas	Yes

III. Finance

A. 2025-26 Education Protection Account (EPA) Spending Plan

Debi Deal reviewed the EPA with the Council of Trustees and the restrictions of the account dedicated to supporting only teacher's salaries and benefits. Semillas pays much more than \$712,000 on salaries and benefits for teachers.

Dr. Reynaldo Macias made a motion to approve the EPA. Ramon Avila seconded the motion.

The board VOTED to approve the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ramon Avila	Yes
Dr, Reynaldo Macias	Yes
Dr. Ernesto Colin	Yes
Yvette Casas	Yes
Arturo Rojas	Yes

B. 2025-26 Spring Consolidated Application

Debi Deal provided an overview of the Consolidate Application and the source of the funds originating from the federal government to the State of California. These funds are essential Title I funds, which are restricted funds for supporting students' language learning.



Dr. Reynaldo Macias made a motion to approve of the 2025-26 Consolidated Application.

Yvette Casas seconded the motion.

The board VOTED to approve the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Ramon Avila	Yes
Dr. Reynaldo Macias	Si
Dr. Ernesto Colin	Si
Yvette Casas	Yes
Arturo Rojas	Yes

IV. Student Affairs

A. Graduation

The Council of Trustees expressed gratitude for a beautiful graduation.

No additional action taken.

V. Board Governance

A. Board Calendar of meetings

Calendar will be presented to the board during the first meeting of the fiscal year in July 2025. Second Tuesdays of the month.

B. Yvette Casas Transition off the Council of Trustees

Notice that Yvette Casas will be transitioning off the board.

VI. Public Comment

No public comment

VII. Adjourn meeting

Dr. Reynaldo Macias motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 pm.

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