



# Semillas Sociedad Civil

## MINUTES

SSC\_COT 11.19.2025 Regular Meeting Council of Trustees

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### **Date and Time**

Wednesday November 19, 2025, at 5:30 pm

### **Location**

4970 Huntington Drive South, Los Angeles, CA 90032

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

### **Remote locations:**

1829 Sigma Chi, Albuquerque, NM 87131

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### **Council of Trustees Present:**

Dr. Ernesto Colin, Ramon Avila, Gypsie Vasquez-Ayala

Online: Dr. Irene Vasquez

### **Council of Trustees Absent:**

Dr. Reynaldo Macias, Arturo Rojas

### **Personnel Present:**

Maria Villamil, Marcos Aguilar, Minnie Ferguson, Trinidad Ruiz

Online: Marie Arce, Jaemy Garcia-Matthews

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## **I. Opening items:**

**A.** Record attendance

**B.** Welcome & Call the meeting to order

Dr. Irene Vasquez called a meeting of the Council of Trustees of Semillas Sociedad Civil to order on Wednesday, November 19, 2025 at 5:35pm.



- C.** Dr. Ernesto Colin moved to approve the minutes from SSC\_COT\_Regular\_Meeting\_09.09.2025  
Ramon Avila Seconded

The board VOTED to approve the motion

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ramon Avila	Yes
Gypsie Vasquez-Ayala	Yes
Dr. Ernesto Colin	Yes
Dr. Irene Vasquez	Yes

- D.** Dr. Ernesto Colin moved to approve the minutes from SSC\_COT\_Regular\_Meeting\_09.15.2025  
Ramon Avila Seconded

The board VOTED to approve the motion

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ramon Avila	Yes
Gypsie Vasquez-Ayala	Yes
Dr. Ernesto Colin	Yes
Dr. Irene Vasquez	Yes

## II. Finances

- A.** Recommendation to approve Anawakalmekak International University Preparatory Financial Report

Marie Arce of Charter Impact reports on the finances of Semillas Sociedad Civil, including Compliance Calendar, and other items submitted to LAUSD.

Ramon Avila made a motion to approve the Unaudited Actual for 2024-2025.  
Dr. Ernesto Colin seconded.

The board VOTED to approve the motion

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ramon Avila	Yes
Gypsie Vasquez-Ayala	Yes
Dr. Ernesto Colin	Yes
Dr. Irene Vasquez	Yes

- B.** [Recommendation to approve First Interim Financials](#)

Ramon Avila made a motion to approve the Unaudited Actual for 2024-2025.  
Dr. Ernesto Colin seconded.



The board VOTED to approve the motion

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ramon Avila	Yes
Gypsie Vasquez-Ayala	Yes
Dr. Ernesto Colin	Yes
Dr. Irene Vasquez	Yes

**C. Recommendation to approve Enterprise Bank Loan Extension and collateral.**

Dr. Ernesto Colin made a motion to approve the Enterprise Bank Loan Extension. Ramon Avila and Dr. Irene Vasquez seconded.

The board VOTED to approve the motion

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ramon Avila	Yes
Gypsie Vasquez-Ayala	Yes
Dr. Ernesto Colin	Yes
Dr. Irene Vasquez	Yes

**D. Recommendation to approve Technology TEQ Lease**

Ramon Avila made a motion to approve of the Technology TEQ Lease. Dr. Ernesto Colin seconded.

The board VOTED to approve the motion

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ramon Avila	Yes
Gypsie Vasquez-Ayala	Yes
Dr. Ernesto Colin	Yes
Dr. Irene Vasquez	Yes

**E. Recommendation to approve [agreement authorizing a secured promissory note between Tzicatl Community Development Corporation to Semillas Sociedad Civil in the amount of \\$500,000.00](#)**

Ramon Avila made a motion to approve of the agreement authorizing a secured promissory note. Dr. Ernesto Colin seconded.

The board VOTED to approve the motion

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ramon Avila	Yes
Gypsie Vasquez-Ayala	Yes
Dr. Ernesto Colin	Yes
Dr. Irene Vasquez	Yes



### III. Development

#### A. Recommendation to approve [Whale Tail Grant Resolution](#) to submit with application

Dr. Ernesto Colin made a motion to approve of the Whale Tail Grant application.  
Gypsie Vasquez-Ayala seconded.

The board VOTED to approve the motion

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ramon Avila	Yes
Dr. Ernesto Colin	Yes
Dr. Irene Vasquez	Yes
Gypsie Vasquez-Ayala	Yes

#### B. California Collaborative for Education Excellence: Learning Lands Collaborative

Discussion.  
No additional action taken.

### IV. Academics

#### A. Indigenous Peoples College Fair

Update.  
No additional action taken.

#### B. Report on Northwest Evaluation Association Measures of Academic Progress (NWEA MAP)

Update.  
No additional action taken.

#### C. Policy:

1. Screening for Risk of Reading Difficulties for students

Update.  
No additional action taken

2. [Recommended Tool](#): Reading Difficulties Risk Screening Selection Panel Screener Information Overview for UCSF Multitudes

Ramon Avila made a motion to approve of the Recommended Tool:  
Reading Difficulties Risk Screening Selection Panel Screener, Overview  
for UCSF Multitudes.  
Gypsie Vasquez-Ayala seconded.



The board VOTED to approve the motion

**Roll Call Vote:**

Ramon Avila	Yes
Gypsie Vasquez-Ayala	Yes
Dr. Ernesto Colin	Yes
Dr. Irene Vasquez	Yes

**V. Public Comment**

**VI. Closed Session**

- A.** Public Employee Performance Evaluation (§ 54957) - Executive Evaluations.
- B.** Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation (§ 54956.9): Notice to Cure.

**VII. Adjourn meeting**

Dr. Irene Vasquez motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm.

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