

Santa Paula Unified School District Farm Advisory Committee

November 20, 2017, 5:00PM

SPUSD District Office Board Room

Meeting Notes

1. Sign-in – Members Present

District Representatives: Doug Henning, Laurie Arnold

Parent/Community Members: Anna Arroyo

Student Members: Andrew Arroyo

Ag Advisory Committee Member: Gordon Kimball

Others Present:

Alex Flores, SPHS Agriculture Teacher

Kristin Majda, SPUSD STEAM TOSA

2. Project Update

Mr. Doug Henning reported the SPUSD School Board at its November meeting rejected all bids for the construction project, and authorized the district to re-bid the project with two deductive alternates. New bids open November 30, 1 pm deadline. He projects the district will lose at least one bid, and he will be pleased with at least three. Mr. Henning will share results of bids with committee members after November 30.

3. Funding Update

Ms. Laurie Arnold reviewed funding information shared at the October 30 meeting, explaining the current Round 3 CTEIG application for funding in progress, and the district's commitment of CTE funds exclusively to the District Farm. CTEIG funds typically are allocated in a distributive manner for the benefit of multiple CTE and career pathway programs.

4. Committee Input

- Request for the district to continue to explore funding sources to develop the District Farm.
- Discussion of additional concern of ensuring the livestock panels, water lines, and other that will be required for use will be funded. Mr. Henning expects this conversation will begin once the contract is let. Mr. Flores reported \$10,000 Brokaw Donation that potentially could be used for marketing material to promote additional donations.

5. Next Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 9, 2018, 5 pm