COMPLAINT RECEIVED

The Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission received the enclosed complaint, COM-08082022-02378, on 8/8/2022 3:53:00 PM. The information filed in the complaint is below and any attachments filed will be included.

The following individuals are the named parties in this complaint:

Victor Lai
Complainant

Terrence (Terry) Slatic
Respondent

Robert Nelson
Witness

Marshall Varela
Witness

Brian Poulsen
Witness

The Violations alleged are:

Unlawful Gift (89503/89521)
Gift in excess of 2021 annual limit of $520 from a single source. Inaccurate reporting of said gift.

COUNTY OF FRESNO
Lisa A. Smittcamp
District Attorney

August 8th, 2022

To FPPC Enforcement Division

This letter summarizes the complaint this office is making in regards to Fresno Unified Trustee Major Terry Slatic, USMC (retired), referring the matter for administrative enforcement by the FPPC for both an over-the-limit gift and underreporting of such in the above named official's Amended Form 700. This letter will explain the steps our office took in our investigation of the matter, and why it believes that administrative enforcement is appropriate in this case.

On 12/8/21 the Fresno District Attorney's Office, Public Integrity Unit became aware of a dinner hosted by Fresno Unified School District Superintendent Bob Nelson and attended by, among others, Fresno Unified School District Trustees. This was during the California School Board Association (CSBA) Conference in San Diego, CA, which was held in December of 2021. We were informed that this meeting is attended yearly, and that the Superintendent has, for the past five years, treated the Trustees and staff who attend to dinner, paying for everyone with his personal credit card. In the past, Superintendent Nelson has had the bill inflated by some attendees ordering off menu items or particularly expensive alcohol, so this past year he tried to set up a group rate with a price fixed menu at Fogo De Chao Brazilian Steakhouse in San Diego.

What was of particular interest to this office was that the facts as presented were that Trustee Slatic arrived at the restaurant prior to everyone else and arranged with restaurant staff to have any alcohol ordered by the group to be rung up as food – in this case, all alcohol was initially billed as Tomahawk steaks. However, Superintendent Nelson was initially unaware that Trustee Slatic had done this, and when he arrived, Superintendent Nelson explained to everyone that they were allowed to have two drinks and that it was all you can eat. (By way of explanation, for those who are not familiar with Brazilian style steakhouses, all you can eat is normal – one usually pays a fixed price, and during dinner servers will come by your table with a veritable panoply of meat on skewers, from which servers will carve you pieces, only stopping when the diner throws in the towel by indicating that they are full, usually by use of a placard or device that flips from green [keep the meat coming] to red [cannot eat any more].)

Unknown to Superintendent Nelson, Trustee Slatic and his guest (a friend from the military, whose status did not matter to this office except for the fact that this individual was considered Slatic's guest) had ordered two Wagyu Ribeye steaks at $145

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each, whereas the standard dinner was $95 a person, and multiple drinks and bottles of wine. Towards the end of the dinner, a waitress brought Trustee Slatic a bag containing an unopened $435 bottle of wine, which Trustee Slatic took with him to go. When the bill was brought to Superintendent Nelson, because of Trustee Slatic's arrangements with restaurant staff beforehand, it reflected no alcohol, but instead included 17 Tomahawk steaks – none of which had actually been ordered and consumed, as the other dinner participants had stuck with the set dinner menu, and Trustee Slatic and his guest had ordered the Wagyu Ribeye steaks. Because Superintendent Nelson had been unaware of Trustee Slatic's actions, he quite reasonably questioned where this plethora of Tomahawk steaks had come from, and declined to pay for steaks which had not been ordered or consumed – at which point, Trustee Slatic, seeing that Superintendent Nelson was questioning the bill, told Superintendent Nelson that he had directed waitstaff to ring up all alcohol as food (which was done using the ruse of Tomahawk steaks). Superintendent Nelson asked Trustee Slatic why had had done this, but did not receive an answer.

Superintendent Nelson then asked for the bill to reflect what was actually ordered, and subsequently received a bill which included: four vodka drinks (Chopin 80 Vodka @ $14.50 each), a tequila drink (Don Julio 1942 @ $33), two bottles of Silver Oak Napa Cabernet (@ $202 a bottle) and finally, two bottles of Opus One Meritage (@ $435 a bottle).

When interviewed by this office, Superintendent Nelson was asked if it was possible that Trustee Slatic had thought a District credit card was being used to pay. In reply, Superintendent Nelson stated he did not know if Trustee Slatic was trying to hide the dollar amount of alcohol purchased from him when it was time to settle the bill, or if Trustee Slatic believed that a District credit card was being used and was trying to hide the alcohol purchase.

This office considered the implications of these facts, if true. If Trustee Slatic had arranged for the alcohol to be rung up as Tomahawk steaks because he thought the that the school district was footing the bill for dinner, even though that was never actually the case (since it was Superintendent Nelson's practice to personally pay for five years running), Trustee Slatic might still have committed an attempted violation of Penal Code Section 424, under the theory that either: 1) an attempt to misappropriate money was present if he believed that the school district was paying for the dinner, but would not for alcohol, and so arranged for the alcohol to be billed as food to get around whatever rules they had in place around district funds paying for alcohol; 2) even if there were no specific rule against buying alcohol, if the dinner was to be paid for with district funds, and he was concerned about alcohol showing up on the bill looking bad in some fashion, changing the bill would amount to attempting to fraudulently alter or omit an account.

Again, given that district funds were never the intended source to pay for the dinner, any efforts by Trustee Slatic to alter the bill would not actually have affected school district funds in any way- the attempt would have been entirely in his own mind. Nevertheless, this office attempted to ascertain the exact reason why Trustee Slatic had alcohol billed as food, through interviewing others present at the dinner. These results

proved inconclusive. Many participants, including a number of other Board members, were clear on the fact that Trustee Slatic had attended such dinners in prior years, as the board was invited, and it was generally known that Superintendent Nelson pays for the dinner. On the other hand, it was disclosed that Trustee Slatic did say to Superintendent Nelson in a later meeting, when asked why he felt compelled to falsify the Fogo de Chao receipts, that he thought it would be "inappropriate to have alcohol on a bill for a taxpayer funded event." Superintendent Nelson reminded him that the dinner was not taxpayer funded but that he paid for dinner personally, and Trustee Slatic just repeated himself and changed the subject. However, that one comment did not seem to outweigh the number of statements that pointed to the fact that Trustee Slatic likely knew or should have known the dinners were not paid with school district funds, but rather out of Superintendent Nelson's own pocket, based on prior experience. Furthermore, there is no credible reason to put faith in the absolute truth of that one statement that Trustee Slatic made to Superintendent Nelson – he could have said whatever came to mind in front of Superintendent Nelson, other than his actual reasons.

This state of evidence led this office to some uncomfortable conclusions, namely:

1) It made no sense for Trustee Slatic to have attempted to change the alcohol reflected on the bill to food unless he believed that the school district was paying for dinner, because such actions are normally taken for a reason- the logical reason being that he was attempting to circumvent some perceived rule. It would have been unreasonable for Trustee Slatic to think that Superintendent Nelson would just pay for 17 extra steaks which had never been ordered – indeed, if Trustee Slatic's intent was to, in some twisted manner, play a game of establishing dominance over Superintendent Nelson, then it would have been a greater display of dominance to force him to pay for the alcohol outright without any machinations to falsify the bill;

2) Yet, the weight of evidence showed that Trustee Slatic likely knew that the dinner was paid for out of Superintendent Nelson's own funds- this conclusion reached because all the other participants knew that prior dinners had been paid for by Superintendent Nelson, and that Trustee Slatic was known to have attended and previously ordered extravagantly;

3) Therefore, unless it could be shown beyond a reasonable doubt that Trustee Slatic, completely by himself and being unobservant to what every other prior participant had been able to comprehend, thought that the dinner was to be paid for with school district funds, this office would be unable to proceed on a prosecution for attempted violation of Penal Code 424. Given the weight of the evidence in the other direction, this was not a burden of proof this office believed could be met.

However, this office was not satisfied to stand pat with this state of evidence, as it was aware that Trustee Slatic would have to report gifts of $50 or more via his Form 700. This office resolved to wait until Trustee Slatic had filed on his Form 700 for year 2021, for which the gift limit from a single source was $520. Depending on what Trustee Slatic reported on his Form 700, this office felt what was disclosed could be another valuable data point from which to tease out Trustee Slatic's thought process.

Unfortunately, after Form 700's were filed by the Fresno Unified School District Board of Trustees, this office discovered that none of the board members had disclosed the dinner at Fogo de Chao, including Trustee Slatic. This office then sent a letter to the FUSD Board members, stating that we were aware of the dinner paid for by Superintendent Bob Nelson at Fogo de Chao in San Diego, and reminding them of their requirement to report gifts of $50 or more on their Form 700, highlighting that Schedule D of the Form 700 reminds filers that commonly reportable gifts include food and beverages. We then invited them to complete an Amended Form 700. Every board member, including Trustee Slatic, then filed Amended Form 700's.

Upon examination, Trustee Slatic's Amended Form 700 claimed that the dinner at Fogo de Chao was a gift valued at $195. This valuation and amount is contrary to evidence, though with some questions regarding interpretation as to the rules surrounding gift reporting. This office is proceeding with the assumption that gifts to a guest's dinner partner (their "plus-one") are to be considered, for purposes of filling out the Form 700, as gifts to the original guest (since, otherwise, the dinner partner would not have attended in the first place). Thus, the Wagyu Ribeye steaks alone that Trustee Slatic and his plus-one ordered would have been $290 ($145 each). The four vodkas and one tequila were also purportedly consumed by Trustee Slatic and guest, for $91. While the two bottles of wine priced at $202 each were shared by the rest of the table, the Opus One ($435 a bottle) was shared by Trustee Slatic and his guest, as well as half a glass by witness David Chavez (who is Chief of Staff to Superintendent Bob Nelson). Per Chavez, who walked with Trustee Slatic back to the hotel, there were two bottles of Opus One ordered, and only one consumed, with the other two bottles of Silver Oak also having been consumed at the table – therefore, he reasoned that the bag containing a bottle of wine which Trustee Slatic took home with him was the other Opus One.

Thus, including his plus-one, the gift to Trustee Slatic was in the value of $1,251. Even if you were to exclude the plus-one's food, all the vodka and tequila drinks, and the first bottle of Opus One, and just count the Wagyu Ribeye and the bottle of Opus One that Trustee Slatic took home, that would have been a gift of $580. The gift limit for gifts from a single source for the year 2021 is $520. Even based on an <u>unreasonable</u> calculation of the gift (as Trustee Slatic was certainly alleged to have consumed some portion of the vodka, tequila, and first bottle of Opus One), Trustee Slatic is in violation of the gift limit from a single source for 2021. With an arguably more reasonable calculation (as gifts to a plus-one should reasonably be counted as gifts to the original invitee), Trustee Slatic is *well* in excess of the gift limit for 2021.

Again, Trustee Slatic reported in his Amended Form 700 a gift in the amount of $195 for 2021. Given the relative amount involved in excess of the gift limit (if our office's interpretation of the reporting requirement for a plus-one turn is incorrect,) this case was considered more appropriate for a referral to the FPPC for administrative prosecution rather than criminal charges under the perjury statute. However, this office also feels that it is a potentially an aggravating circumstance that, unlike a traditional gift (for example, Trustee Slatic had been handed a gift card or bottle of whiskey), this "gift" was potentially open-ended to the detriment of the giver, who was essentially an employee of the recipient. Thus, in running up the tab of his employee, Trustee Slatic

was in a position to financially abuse his employee, the Superintendent- which is unusual in that it is not the type of influence nor the direction in which the influence flows, when one normally thinks of gifts to elected officials. Nevertheless, whatever way the influence flows and the motives that the reporting rules are attempting to monitor, the facts certainly fall within the two main complaints that this office is making to the FPPC for administrative prosecution, namely: 1) That Trustee Slatic received gifts from a single source in excess of the gift limit for 2021, and 2) That Trustee Slatic did not accurately report the amount of the gift in his Amended Form 700 for 2021.

Included with this submission are the Investigative Reports generated by this office, as well as exhibits gathered - including receipts, the letter that was sent to FUSD board members to remind them of their obligation to report gifts, and audio recordings of witness interviews.

Victor Lai

Victor Lai
Senior Deputy District Attorney
Public Integrity Unit
Fresno County Office of the District Attorney

Report of Investigation
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Fresno County District Attorney

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Date of Report: 12/8/2021 **Date of Incident:** 12/2/2021	**DA Report #:** 2021PIU27	**Agency Report#:**
Unit: Public Integrity	**Code:**	**Description/Classification:** Incident Report

Suspect / Defendant Information

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Residence Address	City/State/Zip	Phone	Prim Lang.

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Reporting Party	Nelson	Bob			

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Superintendent Fresno Unified School District

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Possible Suspect	Slatic	Terry			

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Trustee for Fresno Unified School District

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SOURCE:
On 12/08/2021 at about 1038 hours, Special Investigator Brian Poulson and I spoke to Fresno Unified School District Superintendent Bob Nelson via telephone in regard to Trustee Terry Slatic attempting to hide the purchase of alcoholic beverages.

INVESTIGATION:

The following is a synopsis of the recorded conversation.

Nelson told us that each year he along with Fresno Unified School Board Trustees go to the California School Board Association (CSBA) meeting in San Diego. School Board Trustees, Superintendents and Teachers attend this yearly meeting and while there he takes them out to dinner. For the past 5 years he has always paid for everyone and uses his personal credit card.

In the past the bill has been large so he set up a fixed pricing for the menu at Fogo De Chao a Brazilian Steak House. This year Trustee Slatic arrived at the restaurant prior to everyone and apparently spoke to the house manager. When Superintendent Nelson arrived, he explained to everyone that they were allowed to have two drinks and that it was all you can eat.

Superintendent Nelson learned that prior to his arrival, Trustee Slatic and his Military friend ordered two Wagyu steaks at $145.00 dollars each and multiple bottles of wine. Two $250 bottles of wine and two $435 bottles of wine and put it on the tab without his knowledge. The manager did not advise Superintendent Nelson that Trustee Slatic was running up the tab with large purchases.

Earlier in the day while at the bar Trustee Slatic said he had an open tab and offered drinks to everyone before being seated. Superintendent Nelson didn't think anything about it and thought Trustee Slatic was buying the drinks. Towards the end of the meal the waitress brought Trustee Slatic a bag containing a $435 bottle of wine and later notice it was added to his bill.

Superintendent Nelson looked at the bill and saw all of the meals and an additional 17 Tomahawk Steaks. He told the waitress that he could not pay this and requested the bill to show what they actually ordered. Trustee Slatic saw that he was questioning the bill and told him that he directed the waitress to put all the expensive wine as meat on the bill. He asked Trustee Slatic why he did this and he didn't receive an answer.

I asked him if Trustee Slatic thought a District credit card was being used and he said that it was possible but it was never discussed. He doesn't know if Trustee Slatic was concerned about the dollar value of the alcohol beverages being purchased and trying to hide it from him or if Trustee Slatic believed a District credit card was being used and was trying to hide the alcohol purchase. He stated that Trustee Slatic has a reporting obligation because the steak and bottle of wine that was purchased for him cost over $520 and it needed to be reported to the Fair Political Practice Commission (PPC).

Superintendent Nelson told the waitress that this seemed "shady". He told me that he would be seeing Trustee Slatic later today and was going to ask him what gave him the idea of producing a fraudulent bill. He described this incident as being "shady".

I requested copies of the restaurant receipts to be scanned and emailed to me for review and I received them within 10 minutes.

I reviewed the first receipt dated 12/02/2021 at 8:48 PM. The total dollar amount was $3,702.29 and contained food items and two lemonades. No alcoholic beverages were on this receipt. The receipt indicated the 17 Tomahawk steaks that replaced the alcoholic beverages.

The second receipt dated 12/02/2021 at 9:28 PM. The total dollar amount was $3,542.82 and contained food items and alcoholic beverages. The 17 Tomahawk steaks were removed and the alcoholic beverages were added.

Please see receipts for full details.

As of 12/17/2021 I have not heard back from Superintendent Nelson.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: None

PICTURES/EVIDENCE: Yes [x] See Attachment [ ]

1. Audio interview with Superintendent Nelson.
2. Photo of a restaurant receipt in the amount of $3,702.29. No alcoholic beverages.
3. Photo of a restaurant receipt in the amount of $3,542.82. With alcoholic beverages.

Approvals

Senior Investigator Marshall Varela DA43
Reporting Investigator:

L. Biggs, Supervising Investigator, DA05, 12/17/2021
Approved By:

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Date of Report: 04/26/2022 Date of Incident: 12/02/2022	DA Report #: 2022PIU05	Agency Report#:
Unit: Public Integrity	**Code:** Code of Regulations Title 2, Section 87207(a)(1)	**Description/Classification:** Disclosure of a gift for officials required to disclose.

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Other	Slatic	Terry		[redacted]	[redacted]

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FUSD Trustee

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Reporting Party	Cazares	Claudia		[redacted]	[redacted]

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Other	Thomas	Keshia	Watau	[redacted]	[redacted]

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Other	Jonasson	Elizabeth	Marie	[redacted]	[redacted]

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Other	Davis	Valerie	Florentino	[redacted]	[redacted]

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SOURCE:

In December of 2021, Senior Investigator Marshall Varela received a telephone call from the Fresno Unified School District Superintendent Robert (Bob) Nelson. Mr. Nelson related an event from earlier in the month that he said, in hindsight, he thought he should report to the Public Integrity Unit of the Fresno County District Attorney's Office.

INVESTIGATION:

In the conversation Mr. Nelson related that, on December 2, 2021, while attending the California School Board Association conference, Mr. Nelson hosted a dinner at "Fogo de Chao" restaurant in San Diego, for members of his personal staff and the Trustees of the Fresno Unified School District. At the end of the dinner, upon receiving the bill, Mr. Nelson was shocked to see the bill did not reflect what was actually consumed and the bill was exorbitant. Rather than reflect the true order, seventeen "Tomahawk" steaks were billed, in addition to the items that were consumed, and no alcohol was listed. The bill totaled $3,702.29. Mr. Nelson called the waitress to his table to discuss the bill, and while so doing, Trustee Terry Slatic joined the conversation. Slatic told Mr. Nelson that prior to the dinner, he told the waitress to construct the bill in such a way that alcohol was not reflected but billed as steaks.

After much discussion with the waitress and the restaurant manager, Mr. Nelson received the bill showing the actual food and beverages consumed. The amount of the corrected bill totaled $3,542.82. Mr. Nelson provided copies of the two bills. The bill reflecting what was actually consumed included 2 bottles of wine priced at $202.00 each. According to the people interviewed, these two bottles were shared amongst all at the table. There were two bottles of wine priced at $435.00 each. One of those bottles was shared between Slatic and his guest. The other bottle was wrapped up and taken out of the restaurant by Slatic. There were 4 drinks of Vodka at $14.50 each and one drink of Don Julio 1942 Tequila priced at $33.00. The Vodka and Tequila were consumed by Slatic and his guest. I noticed that the name of the server on the higher bill was "Ashley." The name of the server on the corrected bill was "Humberto."

On December 18, 2021, I called Fogo de Chao @ 619-338-0500 and spoke with a woman identifying herself as Ashley. I asked to speak with Humberto, and was told he was not in. I left my name and phone number and asked that Humberto return my call. I then told her why I was

calling, and she said she remembered the incident because she printed the corrected receipt, but she didn't have any contact with any of the parties. She did say she knew the "Man in Charge" was not the man who paid the bill. Before the meal the man who said he was in charge, came up to them and requested alcohol to be reflected as something else. She said that is not an unusual request.

On December 23, 2021, I emailed Mr. Nelson and asked him who Trustee Slatic spoke to prior to the dinner, to arrange for alcohol to be billed as steaks. I also asked the names of those in attendance at the dinner.

On December 28, 2021, Mr. Nelson responded, writing that the person Slatic spoke to ahead of the meal was "Violet," the front of house manager. Mr. Nelson asked to speak to her supervisor, but she said she was the manager on duty. Mr. Nelson wrote, "Subsequently that proved to be untrue as Humberto was the general manager and was on the premises that evening apparently though she did not make me aware of that and said all inquiries would go through her. I talked to Humberto after the fact, after I contacted the corporate offices. He said he was ultimately responsible for her training and the circumstances of the evening." Attendees at the dinner were, Misty Her, Deputy Superintendent, David Chavez, Chief of Staff, Patrick Jensen, Assistant Chief of Staff, Trustees, Veva Islas, and her spouse, Valerie Davis and her sister, Keshia Thomas, Elizabeth Jonasson Rosas, Claudia Cazares and Terry Slatic and his guest, a Marine Reserve member in full uniform.

On January 21, 2022, I received a follow-up message from Mr. Nelson. He said that he had a summary conversation with Slatic in his monthly update meeting, with 3 others from his office present. Mr. Nelson asked Slatic why he felt compelled to falsify the Fogo de Chao receipts at the December dinner. Slatic said he thought it would be "Inappropriate to have alcohol on a bill for a taxpayer funded event." Mr. Nelson said, "When I reminded him that it was not taxpayer funded, but in fact I was paying for the dinner personally, he just reiterated the same and promptly changed the subject."

I asked Mr. Nelson who was present during the meeting. He said, Misty Her, David Chavez, and Patrick Jenson. He added that all three of them had a lot of the context of the event as all three were present as guests at the dinner, and all three were present in the meeting where the question was asked.

On January 21, 2022, I spoke with Humberto, the general manager at Fogo de Chao. He seemed not to understand my repeated questioning about how the bill for the dinner was changed to not reflect alcohol. He only wanted me to know that the restaurant took full responsibility for the "misunderstanding," and refunded the entire amount of the dinner. I checked with Mr. Nelson to find out if that was true. Mr. Nelson responded that Fogo de Chao actually refunded just the portion with the alcohol that was not authorized. Mr. Nelson did not ask them to reduce the cost of the meal that was consumed, and he gave the same gratuity as if he had paid the bill with alcohol. Mr. Nelson provided a copy of the Fogo de Chao bill without alcohol, which totaled $2,529.21.

DAVID CHAVEZ

On January 21, Senior Investigator (SI) Marshall Varela and I interviewed David Chavez, Chief of Staff to Superintendent Bob Nelson. I gave Mr. Chavez an overview of the purpose of the interview telling him that I would question him regarding the dinner at the Fogo de Chao restaurant in San Diego during the CSBA conference held in December of 2021. I told him that the bill

presented to Mr. Nelson did not reflect the items ordered during the dinner, specifically the bill did not include any alcoholic beverages. Mr. Chavez said the information was accurate.

I told Mr. Chavez that the bill did not reflect alcoholic beverages because someone approached the restaurant staff before the dinner and asked them to have the final bill reflect no alcoholic beverages served. I asked Mr. Chavez if he knew who made the change to the bill. Mr. Chavez said, "Trustee Slatic because the waitstaff was asking him questions all night." I asked if Trustee Slatic had drunk alcohol during the dinner. Mr. Chavez said yes. I asked what was served to Trustee Slatic. Mr. Chavez said they were consuming cocktails before the dinner, that he didn't know exactly what they were, however, during the dinner there were three bottles of wine that were shared amongst the table. Two of them were Silver Oak Cabernet Sauvignon and the other one shared by Trustee Slatic and his guest as well as half a glass to Chavez, was an Opus One Cabernet Sauvignon. I asked if, at the end of the meal was a bottle given to a guest to take home. Mr. Chavez said yes, the server did bring a bag with what he would assume was a bottle of wine. At the end of the meal, there were two bottles of Opus One on the receipt once it was fixed, therefore, he assumes the bottle taken home was a bottle of Opus One given to Trustee Slatic. I asked if he could confirm the bottle went to Trustee Slatic and Mr. Chavez said yes because he was sitting right beside him. In addition, Chavez walked with Trustee Slatic back to the hotel and Trustee Slatic was holding the bag with the bottle of wine.

I asked how the bill ended up with Mr. Nelson if the waitstaff was going to Trustee Slatic throughout the night. Chavez said it is known that every year at the conference, the Superintendent invites the board out to dinner, and it is known that the Superintendent pays for the dinner. Mr. Chavez said he thinks Trustee Slatic was just talking to the waitstaff about things to order, but at one point, Trustee Slatic told the waitstaff that "He works for me", referring to Superintendent Nelson. Chavez said he therefore, believed that Trustee Slatic was just speaking to the waitstaff telling them things to bring, knowing that Superintendent Nelson was going to be covering the bill. I asked if Slatic's comment, "He works for me" was because the board hires and fires the Superintendent. Mr. Chavez said yes, but obviously as a majority of the board.

I asked Mr. Chavez about a conversation that happened between the Superintendent and Slatic during a monthly update meeting. Mr. Chavez said that during the conversation Trustee Slatic was talking about leadership and saying that certain people in the district don't have leadership skills. Mr. Nelson asked Slatic to explain why the bill was not accurate at Fogo de Chao. Chavez said Trustee Slatic responded that it was a public dinner, and they didn't want alcohol to be on the bill.

MISTY HER

On January 26, 2022, SI Varela and I interviewed Deputy Superintendent Misty Her about her knowledge of the Fogo de Chao dinner. I asked if she had been privy to any of the conversation that centered around the bill reflecting no alcohol. She replied yes that she did know that "Bob" was going to be personally paying for the dinner. She said she wasn't sitting by Trustee Slatic, but she did see alcohol being purchased by Slatic. She said that they had been very clear in the dinner abut what was going to be purchased for food and she believes they were allowed two drinks. She said when she left the restaurant early and then found out about the bill she was surprised. The bill came out to be way more than they agreed to pay for and the amount of alcohol. I asked what was the agreement that people could order. She said that "Bob" was going to pay for the bill, and they were all able to order food and they would each be able to have two drinks. Ms. Her said that she was surprised because the bill was reflecting many tomahawk

steaks that they did not eat. Then also, the alcohol was much more than they had initially agreed on. Ms. Her said she didn't have any alcohol, but the amount served didn't reflect every person getting two drinks. I asked if any one specific person was having more than their share, while everyone else held to their limit of two. She said she wasn't paying much attention, but she did see Trustee Slatic ordering bottles of wine and other drinks. Ms. Her said she wondered if Trustee Slatic was going to pay for those things himself. She was surprised when it ended up being on "Bob's" bill.

I asked if the bill with the tomahawk steaks reflected the alcohol. Ms. Her said she was not sure; however, she knew that the bill was much larger than they ended up paying for after things were changed. Mr. Nelson shared with her that the bill was much larger than they had expected. Ms. Her said the 15 tomahawk steaks and the wagyu rib eye was part of the bill. She said they were all supposed to get the Emerald Dinner, which was about $95.00, and everyone could get two drinks. Mr. Nelson had also purchased a seafood tower that was part of the dinner for everyone to share. None of the alcohol was on the first bill. I asked why the alcohol wasn't part of the bill. Ms. Her said that is when she told Mr. Nelson that the bill was not reflecting the dinner and it needed to. I asked if she knew why the tomahawk steaks ended up on the bill and not the alcohol. Ms. Her said that Mr. Nelson asked the server to have a bill that actually reflected the meal. Then he got a different bill, which showed the bottles of wine and the alcohol. Therefore, there were two bills, one that reflected alcohol and one that did not. I asked if she knew why the tomahawk steaks were added instead of alcohol the first time. She said she didn't know, but she knew that Trustee Slatic was having a lot of conversation with the restaurant management. Ms. Her said the manager went several times to Trustee Slatic, but she didn't know what the conversations were about.

I asked about the January 12th meeting where Superintendent Nelson asked Trustee Slatic about the alcohol on the bill at the dinner. Ms. Her said that Superintendent Nelson asked Trustee Slatic why there were tomahawk steaks on the bill at Fogo de Chao instead of alcohol. Ms. Her said she can't quote exactly, but Trustee Slatic said that they couldn't buy alcohol, so he was trying to change the bull in a way that wouldn't show the alcohol. SI Varela asked if Nelson directed his question to Trustee Slatic or asked everyone. Ms. Her said that the question was clearly asked of Trustee Slatic, and he just brushed it off.

PATRICK JENSEN

On January 27, 2022, SI Varela and I interviewed Assistant Chief of Staff Patrick Jenson. I reviewed the CSBA conference in San Diego and the dinner that took place at Fogo de Chao, and Mr. Nelson having received a bill that did not reflect the actual items served. Mr. Jensen said they were seated at a long table with Trustee Slatic at one end and Mr. Jensen at the exact opposite end. Mr. Jenson said he got up to use the restroom and when he returned, he noticed that Trustee Slatic had food on this plate and bottles of wine that were not discussed prior by Mr. Nelson as to what they were going to order. Mr. Jenson said Misty Her wanted to return to the hotel, so he walked back with her. Later, he Ms. Her and Mr. Chavez received a text from Mr. Nelson with pictures of two receipts. One receipt was padded with extra meat. Mr. Jensen recalled something like 17 tomahawk steaks. He said this was interesting because there were only 15 people at the dinner, and tomahawk steaks are the size of a head, and they definitely weren't served to the table. Mr. Nelson pressed the waitress about the receipt, and that was when she produced another receipt that had extra bottles of wine and some wagyu steaks that Trustee Slatic and his guest ate. Jenson said he saw Slatic get served the wagyu steaks, but he didn't see

everything because he was at the opposite end of the table. Jenson said the new receipt seemed to reflect what was actually ordered.

I asked Mr. Jensen if he knew why the first receipt had tomahawk steaks instead of what was actually ordered. Jensen said he believes it was to obfuscate what the purchases were. Mr. Jensen said subsequently, after the meeting, Mr. Nelson decided to confront Trustee Slatic about the issue at the meeting following the CSBA conference. Mr. Jensen said they have a standing meeting with Mr. Nelson every Wednesday at the Board meeting. Mr. Nelson called out Trustee Slatic about changing the receipt at the restaurant. Trustee Slatic said something to the effect of getting alcohol at a school related dinner seemed like a, "No," therefore, he was trying to make it easier on Mr. Nelson. Mr. Nelson told Trustee Slatic that Slatic knew Nelson was paying for it. Mr. Jensen said Trustee Slatic didn't want to discuss it further and changed the subject because he didn't want to engage in the conversation. I asked who would have given the direction for the bill not to reflect the alcohol. Mr. Jenson said it would have had to have been Trustee Slatic because Bob had prearranged for a fixed price menu for everyone. Jensen said Nelson had been burned before at those dinners with people loading up the tab on his dime. Therefore, he had talked to the office and the restaurant in advance. They were going to have a pre-planned meal and two drinks per guest. Jensen said when they walked into the restaurant, they didn't want to seat them until the entire party was there. So, they were hanging around the bar area. Jensen said Trustee Slatic was having an extended conversation with the young lady who ended up being greatly involved with their table. She was the assistant manager. Jensen said he was saying things to her such as "So that's what the plan is going to be." Jensen said at the time, he thought that Trustee Slatic might be buying a round of drinks for the table or something like that. Jensen said he wasn't particularly engaged but knowing the receipts later, he believed those two incidents were linked.

I asked about the bottles of high-priced wine. Mr. Jensen said he recalls seeing a couple high end bottles of wine at Trustee Slatic's end of the table.

CLAUDIA CAZARES

On March 10, 2022, SI Varela and I interviewed FUSD Trustee Claudia Cazares. After SI Varela questioned her about the February 2, 2022, board meeting, (Please see SI Varela's report of investigation regarding the event) I recounted the events of the December 2021, dinner hosted by Superintendent Nelson at the Fogo de Chao restaurant in San Diego. I asked if she was aware of any discrepancies in the bill. She said that she had run into Mr. Nelson a few hours after the dinner, and he told her all about the situation with the bill. Ms. Cazares said she did see Trustee Slatic order things that were not agreed upon by Mr. Nelson. Mr. Nelson had been very clear about what he was willing to pay for. Ms. Cazares said she stayed within the confines of that because she didn't want to pay anything extra at that very expensive restaurant. She said Trustee Slatic and his guest were ordering "All kinds of stuff." Mr. Nelson told her that when everyone left, he was given the bill and charged way more than he agreed upon for things like take home wine and even steaks she believed. She didn't know if Slatic was still at the restaurant when Mr. Nelson was presented the bill, and would have taken responsibility or not, however, Mr. Nelson talked to the assistant manager, and she said she couldn't do anything about the bill. Mr. Nelson went back the next day and tried to sort things out. SI Varela asked if she was there before everyone sat down and if she knew about drinks in the bar area. Ms. Cazares said yes. When she arrived, Valerie Davis and Trustee Slatic were the only ones there. Sometime later Trustee Slatic's friend came, but everyone came at different times. She said, Mr. Nelson said it is tradition

where they go to a restaurant, and you get a plus one. She said she doesn't think they have ever gone to a Brazilian steakhouse before, so he usually just pays for the plate and one drink. This year, Mr. Nelson said that he paid for everyone's plate and a plate of shrimp cocktails and said he would pay for one drink each. I asked if it was a clear understanding that he was using a personal credit card. I also asked if there was any policy about alcoholic beverages at the event. Ms. Cazares said it was an after-hours function that they were not required to attend, and no public money was spent. SI Varela asked if that was the first dinner Slatic had attended. She said no, he had been to probably every single one. SI Varela asked if she heard about Slatic talking to the waitress telling her not to put alcoholic beverages on the tab and replace them with food items of equal value. She said she did not hear him say that. SI Varela asked if the dinner had been paid with a district credit card, would there have been a policy about not purchasing alcoholic beverages. Ms. Cazares said yes, she assumes there is something that says they cannot use public money for alcoholic beverages. She assured us it was his private credit card because Mr. Nelson's wife attended one dinner where Slatic ordered 5-10 drinks and ran the bill up and Mr. Nelson's wife almost had a heart attack. As a result of past experiences Mr. Nelson said he was only going to pay for one drink at this dinner.

KESHIA THOMAS

On March 16, 2022, SI Varela and I held a telephonic interview with FUSD Trustee Keshia Thomas. After SI Varela questioned her about the February 2, 2022, board meeting, (Please see SI Varela's report of investigation regarding the event) I gave her a brief summary of the Fogo de Chao dinner hosted by Superintendent Nelson.

I asked if she was familiar with the dinner I was referring to and she said yes. She said the board members try to be cognizant of money spent on the board and Mr. Nelson's money because he usually pays for the dinner out of pocket, and he has a family. Ms. Thomas said that every time they go out, Slatic always orders the most expensive items on the menu. She said she thinks he ordered two tomahawk steaks and the person he brought with him also ordered one. Slatic and his friend also ordered wine and had the waitress put it on the tab. She said that she considers that stealing. The board members don't add things to the bill that aren't normal. She said she didn't know how many hundreds of dollars the wine ended up being, but it was a lot. She further added that the Superintendent let Slatic know that what he did was not okay and that the board members are not at the conference to receive gifts. She believed that Superintendent Nelson didn't find out about the extra charges until the bill came and she thought Trustee Slatic was gone at that point. Thomas said she found out later and did not see the bill. She said she later called Mr. Nelson and he told her that all these extravagant things were ordered on the bill and the bottle of wine on his dime. I asked if she saw Slatic leave with a bottle of wine. She said she saw him with a bag, but she assumed it was leftovers.

SI Varela asked if at the dinner, everyone had a clear understanding that Mr. Nelson was paying with his personal money and not district funds. Ms. Thomas said yes. He asked if the money being used had been district funds, would the alcoholic beverages have been allowed to be purchased. Ms. Thomas said no. SI Varela asked if after the dinner, when they returned home, had she attended a meeting where Mr. Nelson addressed Slatic about the bill for the dinner. She said she didn't hear about any conversation.

VALERIE DAVIS

On March 16, 2022, SI Varela and I interviewed FUSD Trustee Valerie Davis. After SI Varela questioned her about the February 2, 2022, board meeting, (Please see SI Varela's report of investigation regarding the event) I gave her a brief summary of the Fogo de Chao dinner hosted by Superintendent Nelson. Ms. Davis said she was present at the dinner. I told her that there was a discrepancy in the bill that the Superintendent paid himself. She said she was familiar with the billing not being a true reflection of the night. She said she noticed at the end of the table trustee Slatic, and his guest were ordering steaks. Ms. Davis said they were being served red meat and she thought if anyone got anything different it would be something other than red meat, if they didn't eat that, however, they were ordering steaks while everyone else got the same meal and she thought that was odd. I asked if there was any alcohol being served. Ms. Davis said, Nelson doesn't drink but, in the past, the tradition was a former trustee Carol Mills, would pick a few wines that she thought the table could share." The wine was chosen and shared, but she didn't know by whom. I asked if there was any excess amount of alcohol. Ms. Davis said earlier there was a cocktail hour and they had some cocktails. I told her there was mention of a few very expensive bottles of wine that were served. She recalled there was a bottle of wine for every four people or so. She said she also saw there were several additional bottles at the other end of the table, but she wouldn't recognize if the label was expensive or not.

I asked if the Superintendent mentioned anything about the bill. Ms. Davis said yes, a few days later they had a debriefing. Ms. Davis said she thought it was outrageous that Slatic would order something that wasn't agreed upon as part of the experience. I asked how that conversation came about. She said, Mr. Nelson told her that that Slatic ordered additional things. Ms. Davis said she was confused because the rest of the party was dining sufficiently. Ms. Davis asked if Slatic paid for the items he ordered because she thought that if he was going to order all the extra things, Nelson should give Slatic the opportunity to pay for it. SI Varela asked if it was clear that Mr. Nelson was paying for the dinner on his own. Ms. Davis said, "Yes, that it was the tradition for him to pay for the dinner, but he doesn't have to do that. Even with his faith and being a Mormon and not drinking alcohol, I think it would be fine if he didn't even want to pay for the alcohol, but he still provides that gift for us."

I asked if Mr. Nelson said how much was spent on the wine. Ms. Davis said he may have told her afterwards. She said she has dined out and she knows how much the wine costs, especially in a resort area such as San Diego.

I asked if Ms. Dais heard anything about Slatic talking to the staff at the restaurant to not show alcohol on the bill. Ms. Davis said she did not hear Slatic tell the staff to change the alcohol on the bill to food items.

GENOVEVA ISLAS

On March 23, 2022, SI Varela and I interviewed FUSD Trustee Genoveva Islas. After SI Varela questioned her about the February 2, 2022, board meeting, (Please see SI Varela's report of investigation regarding the event) I gave her a brief summary of the Fogo de Chao dinner hosted by Superintendent Nelson. I asked if she had attended the dinner and she said yes, with her husband. She explained that the dinner is a tradition that Superintendent Bob Nelson offers and pays for each year. She has an understanding that Nelson pays for this dinner with his personal

money. No public money is used to pay for the dinner. Ms. Islas said alcoholic beverages are served at the dinner and remembered Nelson providing bottles of wine on both ends of the table. She said although some trustees have taken it upon themselves to order separate alcoholic beverages.

I told her we had knowledge that the actual bill provided to Nelson did not accurately reflect the food and beverages provided. I asked if she had any knowledge of that and she said yes. She received a call from Nelson either that same night or the next day and was told that the dinner bill was extraordinary, and what he had "gotten down to," was the server who was serving them was having a lot of conversation with Slatic and his Marine guest. She said most of them served themselves from the buffet line, but Slatic was making special orders directly with the server. He was clearly having steaks brought to him and his guest while the rest of them were eating the Brazilian style, which means meat is brought to the table and cut onto the plate.

She remembered from the phone call that Mr. Nelson told her 17 steaks had been placed on the bill and obviously nobody had eaten 17 steaks. Mr. Nelson told her that he spoke to the waitress and the waitress said Slatic had convinced the server to wrap up a very expensive bottle of wine and to reflect it on the bill as if there had been additional steaks that had been purchased. Ms. Islas thought that was ridiculous and said, "Who has that type of audacity to do something like that on somebody's else's dime." She said, "It's totally understandable you want a four-hundred-dollar bottle of wine, like purchase it yourself, here is my credit card, let me pay for it and you are on your way. What became outrageous was that he did that without consulting Bob and then he did it in such an underhanded way that my response to Bob was please don't let him get away with this, please pursue this and make sure that this is corrected." She hadn't heard much more about it other than Nelson telling her that the case had been shared with the DA.

I asked her to explain why she used the term "Underhanded." She said that she used that term because of some previous incidents. She said that at the dinner in 2018, in San Francisco she received feedback that approximately $1,000.00 of alcoholic beverages had been billed to Nelson. She didn't think it had been a four-hundred-dollar bottle of wine that had been packaged for him to take, it was more like Slatic was ordering, "top shelf" for all his drinks. So, it became a very expensive bill. It had been more than once. At the second dinner, Slatic had come with his mother, and he ordered things like truffle butter sauces that were very expensive items that nobody else was even thinking about ordering. Everyone else ordered off the menu and Slatic was ordering exotic things to be included in his dinner. She said, Nelson tried to learn from the first dinner to avoid the same problem, so he offered bottles of wine to be sat at the table, yet Slatic still ordered "Extraordinarily."

At the third dinner, she felt Slatic had taken it to a different level and to her it felt very underhanded because, he was intentionally doing that where he was creating an extra bill out of someone's kindness and generosity by inviting you to dinner.

I asked Ms. Islas if she had knowledge of Slatic having a conversation with the waitress on how he wanted the bill to read at the most recent dinner. She said, "I suspect that the young waitress was taken by Slatic's guest who was very handsome in uniform, and I think that they struck up some familiarity about hey do you mind doing this for us?" She said she didn't hear that, or directly see where he was telling her to do this or do that, but she suspected that in some way he conveyed to her some preference about how he wanted to see the bill reported and was definitely influential about suggesting that the bottle of wine be wrapped up for him to take to go. She did not see it, but she did see an expression of annoyance on Mr. Nelson's face at the bill. She said she

thanked him and remembered a receptionist came to the table and he was asking questions about the bill. She left early and did not see what transpired, but Mr. Nelson told her afterward what had happened.

SI Varela confirmed with her that at the three dinners Slatic was also in attendance and Mr. Nelson had always made it clear that he was paying for everything with his personal money. He also asked Ms. Islas what her thought was about Slatic replacing alcoholic beverages purchases with food items. She believed that Slatic completely knows that he is doing something wrong and attempting to hide a paper trail. She believes he is doing it as a direct dig to Mr. Nelson. She thinks this could be a "Macho" thing and trying to be the Alpha over Nelson. SI Varela asked if she was in a meeting where Mr. Nelson called out Slatic and asked him about the restaurant bill. She said no.

ELIZABETH JONASSON-ROSAS

On April 7, 2022, SI Varela and I interviewed Elizabeth Jonasson-Rosas, President of the Fresno Unified School Board. After SI Varela questioned her about the February 2, 2022, board meeting, (Please see SI Varela's report of investigation regarding the event) I gave her a brief summary of the Fogo de Chao dinner hosted by Superintendent Nelson. Ms. Jonasson said she was aware of the dinner and Superintendent Nelson shared what had happened with her. SI Varela asked if she was privy during the dinner about what was consumed. She said somewhat, she was sitting next to Mr. Nelson. Jonasson said she does remember some of what Trustee Slatic ordered, but not all of it. I reminded her that the pre-dinner arrangement was that each of the trustees was to receive the "Emerald Dinner" which cost $95.00 each and two drinks per person. SI Varela asked if it was public or private money. She replied, Mr. Nelson pays for it. I stated that since it was private money, there was no issue with alcohol being served, however, beyond the agreed dinners, was anything else consumed. Ms. Jonasson said that Bob Nelson ordered a couple appetizer trays and some additional things. Then, Slatic ordered two Tomahawk steaks that were humongous. She said Slatic eats an enormous amount of food and drinks, enough for like four people. She said he finished those steaks, he ate a lot of the seafood tower, and buffet, she didn't know how many drinks he had. She said she thinks they had drinks before at the bar because when she arrived, Slatic and his friend were at the bar with drinks, and also had wine at the table.

I asked what Mr. Nelson said about the dinner afterward. Ms. Jonasson said that Slatic took a $400.00 bottle of wine back with him and had asked the waitress to not put it on the bill as a $400.00 bottle of wine, to put it as something else. The Superintendent wanted Ms. Jonasson to know that. The waitress gave him a bill that didn't include the wine, it was under another name and the Superintendent asked for clarification, because he wasn't expecting that, and finally at some point the staff at the restaurant came clear as to what happened. She thought Slatic might have also taken food home. She did not see Slatic take a bottle of wine out of the restaurant.

SI Varela asked if there was a reason Slatic would ever think that it was a district credit card and not to show alcohol. Ms. Jonasson said that her husband was on the school board before her, and it has always been a tradition before Nelson that the superintendent would pay for a dinner at the CSBA conference. It is usually at a really nice restaurant and usually everyone behaves. Ms. Jonasson said it happens in December and usually you would get elected and then theoretically trained at the conference. She said Slatic was part of the first dinner's festivities and they all talked as a group. Jonasson said she is pretty sure the reason they went to Fogo de Chao and had the strict menu was due to the amount food and alcohol consumption driven by Trustee Slatic

at the last dinner. She said, “There was so much alcohol, like it’s almost hard, he was putting shots of sherry into his soup. Like the amount is not one, two, three, four drinks, during dinner. The amount exceeded that and one, two, three appetizers, it was an exorbitant amount of food at a restaurant that was quite expensive. So essentially, we went to more of a prefixed type of situation at Fogo de Chao because I assume that Bob didn’t want to feel abused in that way. So, they went to a buffet type of a situation because of Slatic.” I asked if she saw the receipt and she said no. SI Varela asked if she was at the meeting later after the dinner where Mr. Nelson confronted Slatic about the Fogo de Chao dinner. She said no.

California Government Code Title 9 Chapter 7 Article 2, Section 87200 requires public officials who manage public investments to disclose their investments, interests in real property and income.

Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 18940 is the guide to gift regulations, and specifies that a gift may be reportable by an official under Section 87203.

The Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) administers and enforces ethics law pertaining to the Political Reform Act, and Form 700 is the statement of economic interests which the FPPC requires to be filed by elected officials and public employees who make or influence governmental decisions.

Schedule D of Form 700 requires reporting of gifts. The FPPC defines a gift as, “Anything of value for which a filer has not provided equal or greater consideration to the donor. A gift is reportable if its fair market value is $50 or more.” The FPPC considers commonly reportable gifts to include food, beverages, and accommodations, including those provided in direct connection with attendance at a convention, conference, meeting, social event, meal or like gathering.

On April 11, 2022, the Clerk of the Fresno County Board of Supervisors, sent me Forms 700 for all of the incumbent FUSD trustees.

The dinner hosted by Superintendent Nelson at Fogo de Chao restaurant on December 2, 2021, was a gift as defined by the FPPC, yet none of the trustees in attendance reported the gift, as required.

Based upon attendee interviews, the “Tradition” of hosting a dinner at the yearly CSBA conference by the Superintendent was considered a gift. Trustee Slatic’s portion of the bill at Fogo de Chao including food and alcohol was $1,251.00, which far exceeds the $520.00 gift limit from a single source.

CONCLUSION:

On December 2, 2021, the Fresno Unified School District Board of Trustees, Elizabeth Jonasson-Rosas, Valerie Davis, Keshia Thomas, Terrence Slatic, Genoveva Islas, and Claudia Cazares, were gifted a dinner by Fresno Unified Superintendent Robert G Nelson. None of the trustees reported the gift on their yearly statement of economic interests as required by law. Each and every one of the trustees is in violation of California Government Code Article 2, Section 87202. Trustee Slatic’s abuse of the generosity of Mr. Nelson by ordering for himself extravagant wine, food, and other alcoholic beverages place him in the category of exceeding the yearly gift limit of

$520.00 from a single source in violation of California Code of Regulations, Title 2, Section 18940.2 (a).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: None

PICTURES/EVIDENCE: Yes [X] See Attachment [ ]

1. Audio interview of Trustee Claudia Cazares.
2. Audio interview of Trustee Keisha Thomas.
3. Audio interview of Trustee Valerie Davis.
4. Audio interview of Trustee Veva Islas.
5. Audio interview of Trustee Elizabeth Jonasson.
6. Photocopy of Fogo de Chao bill, 12/2/2021 8:48 PM
7. Photocopy of Fogo de Chao bill, 12/2/2021 9:28 PM
8. Form 700 Claudia Cazares, 2019, 2020, 2021
9. Form 700 Valerie Davis, 2019, 2020, 2021
10. Form 700 Genoveva Islas, 2019, 2020, 2021
11. Form 700 Elizabeth Jonasson, 2019, 2020, 2021
12. Form 700 Terrence Slatic, 2019, 2020, 2021
13. Form 700 Keshia Thomas, 2019, 2020, 2021
14. Audio interview of Patrick Jensen
15. Audio interview of David Chavez
16. Audio interview of Misty Her

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Wagyu Ribeye 24oz (2 @145.00)	290.00
2 Rare	
[illegible] Seafood [illegible]	[illegible]
Brazilian Lemonade (2 @8.00)	16.00
15 Emerald Dinner (15 @95.00)	1,425.00
Silver Oak Napa Cabernet [illegible]	404.00
Dom Perignon (2 @435.00)	870.00
Chopin [illegible]	58.00
Don Julio 1942 Tequila	35.00
37 Items	
Subtotal	[illegible],288.00
Tax	254.82
Total	**3,542.82**
VISA XXXXXXXXXXXX5058	3,542.82
Gratuity	457.18
Total	4,000.00

Auth:002980

X

For your convenience

18% Gratuity = [illegible]

20% Gratuity = 607.[illegible]

22% Gratuity = 723.36

[illegible]

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FOGO DE CHAO
fogo.com
668 6th Ave
San Diego, CA 92101
619-338-0500

Server: Violet DOB: 12/02/2021
09:01 PM 12/02/2021
Table 60/1 3/30036

SALE

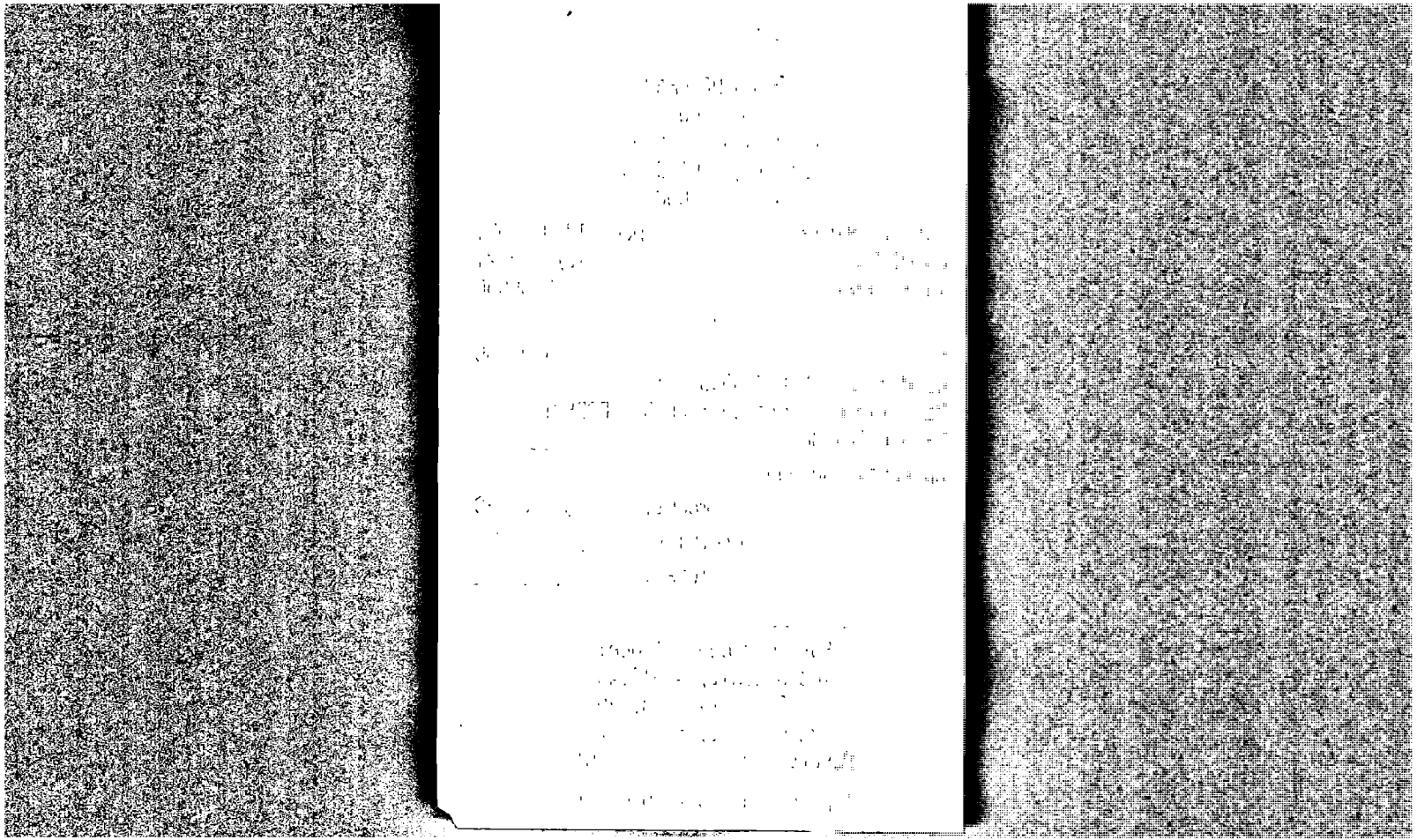
VISA 1048589
Card #XXXXXXXXXXXX[redacted]
Magnetic card present: NELSON ROBERT
Card Entry Method: S
Approval: 002999

Amount: $3,702.29
+ Gratuity: _____
= Total: _____

X_____

For your convenience:
18% Gratuity = 618.48
20% Gratuity = 687.20
22% Gratuity = 755.92
Reservations at fogo.com!

Top Merchant/Bottom Guest



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Cashier: HUMBERTO
Table 60/1 8:48 PM
Guests: 15

#30036

Reprint #: 5

Wagyu Ribeye 24oz (2 @145.00)	290.00
(2)Rare	
Chilled Seafood Tower (2 @99.00)	198.00
Brazilian Lemonade (2 @5.00)	10.00
Dry-Aged Tomahawk (15 @89.00)	1,335.00
(15)Medium	
8 Emerald Dinner (8 @95.00)	760.00
Emerald Dinner (7 @95.00)	665.00
Dry-Aged Tomahawk (2 @89.00)	178.00
(2)Medium	

70 Items

Subtotal	3,436.00
Tax	266.29
Total	**3,702.29**
Balance Due	3,702.29

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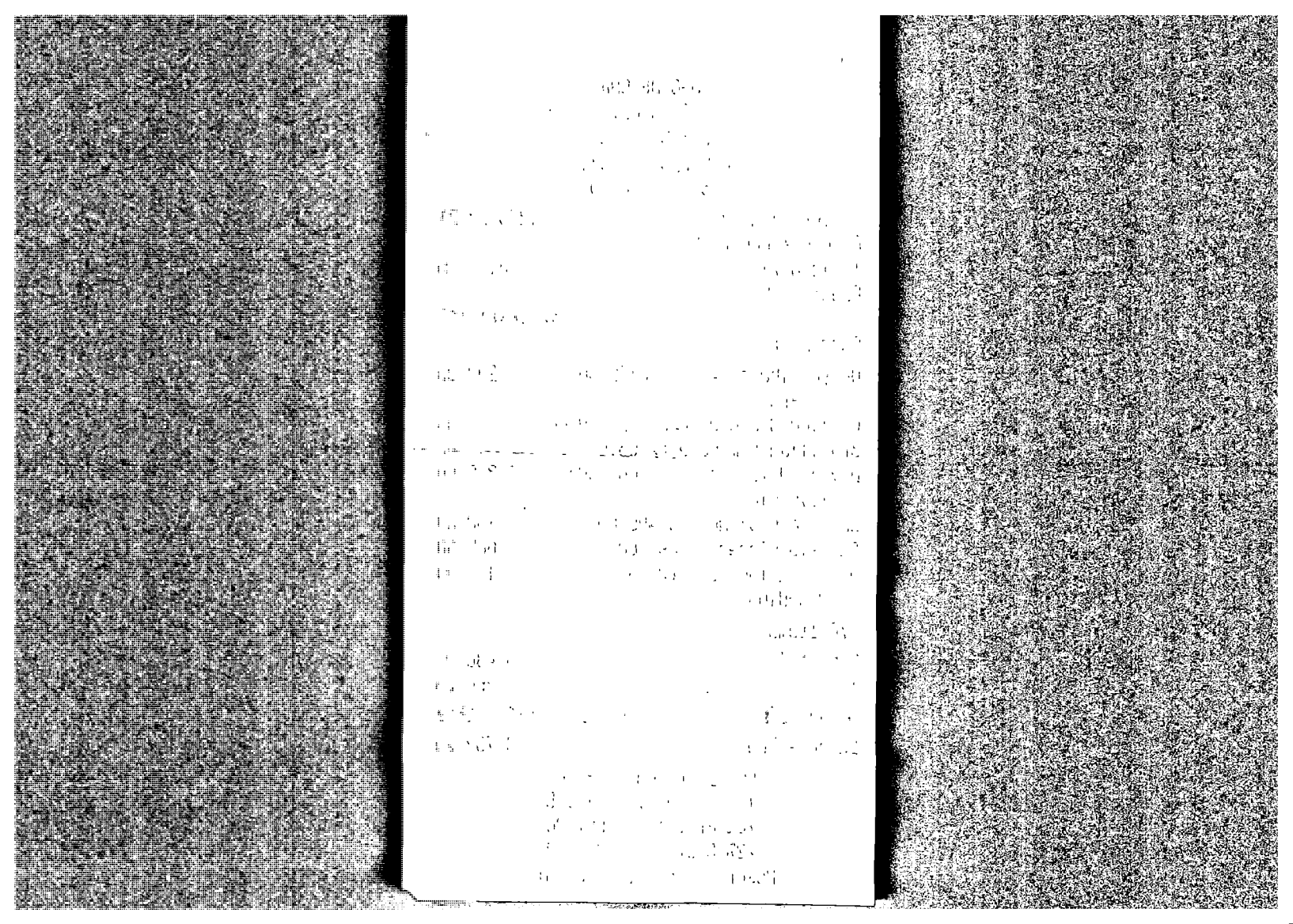

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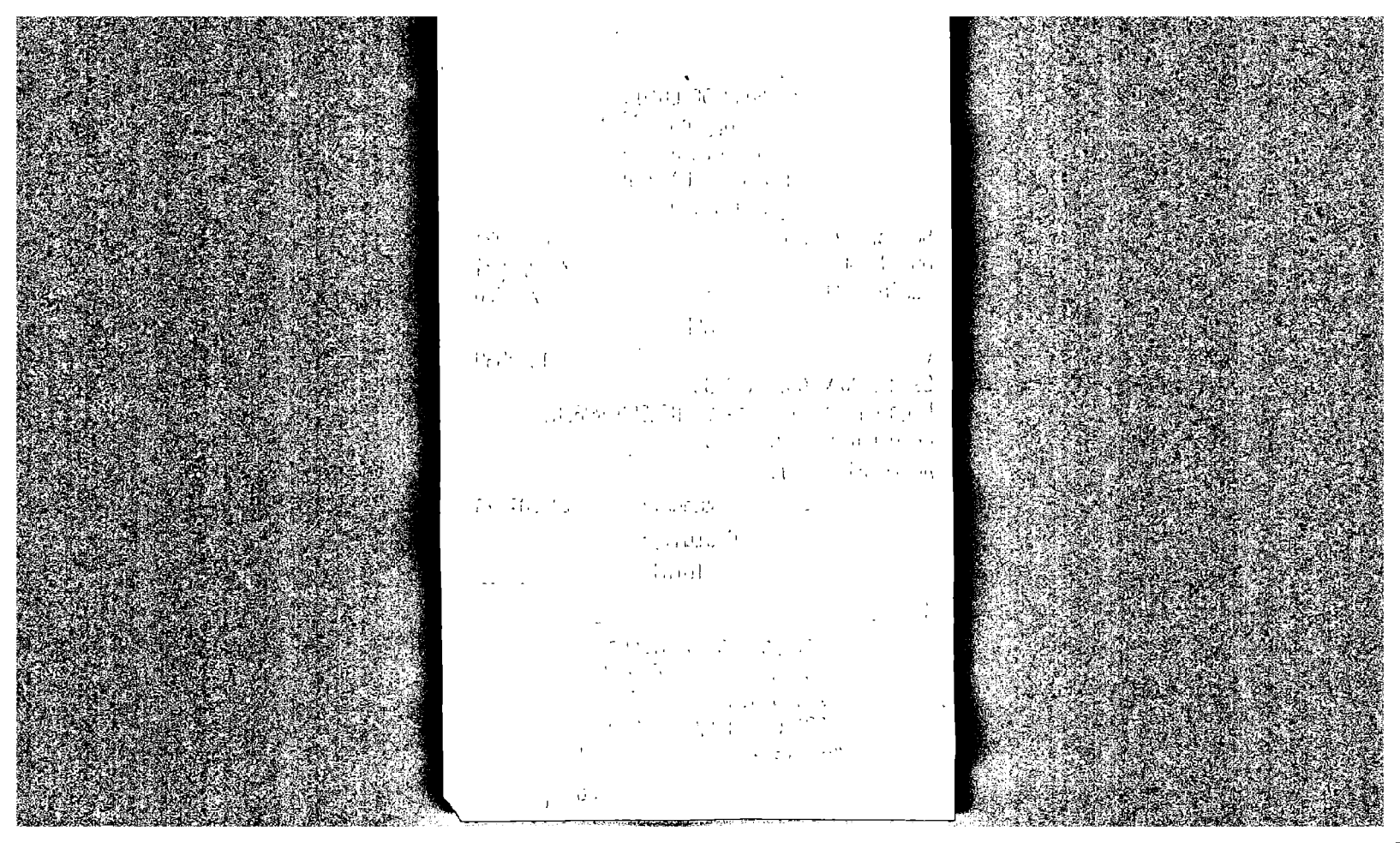

COUNTY OF FRESNO
Lisa A. Smittcamp
District Attorney

May 2, 2022

Fresno Unified School District
Board of Education
2309 Tulare Street, Fresno CA 93721

To Trustees Claudia Cazares, Valerie Davis, Veva Islas, Elizabeth Jonasson Rosas, Major Terry Slatic USMC (Retired), and Keshia Thomas:

Please be advised that the District Attorney's Office gained knowledge of a dinner that was hosted and paid for by Superintendent Bob Nelson on December 2, 2021 at the Fogo de Chao restaurant in San Diego, California. At this dinner, you, the Trustees of the Fresno Unified School District, were in attendance.

As you are no doubt aware, as elected officials you are required to report gifts of $50 or more on the Form 700 Statement of Economic Interests. Instructions for filling out Schedule D of the Form 700 were located on page 16 of the 2021-2022 Statement of Economic Interests Form 700. These instructions included a reminder that commonly reportable gifts include "*Food, beverages*, and accommodations" (emphasis added).

Upon review of each of your Form 700's for the reporting period of 2021, it appears that none of you reported the above mentioned dinner.

Accordingly, it is the request of this office that each of you complete an Amended Form 700 by June 2nd, 2022 so that this oversight is corrected. Please follow whatever filing procedures you currently have in place in filing the amendment. Failure to do so will result in a referral of the matter to the California Fair Political Practices Commission. Additionally, so that this office can be apprised that the amendments are made, and therefore a referral to the FPPC unnecessary, please send a copy of the Amended Form 700 to the District Attorney's Office via email at:
publicintegrity@fresnocountyca.gov

Respectfully,

Victor Lai
Senior Deputy District Attorney
Public Integrity Unit

CALIFORNIA FORM **700**
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
AMENDMENT

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Cazares Claudia

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Agency Name *(Do not use acronyms)*

Fresno Unified School District

Division, Board, Department, District, if applicable

Your Position

Board Member

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Agency: _____ Position: _____

2. Jurisdiction of Office *(Check at least one box)*

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☐ Multi-County _____

☐ City of _____

☐ Judge, Retired Judge, Pro Tem Judge, or Court Commissioner (Statewide Jurisdiction)

☒ County of Fresno

☐ Other _____

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-or-

☐ ***None*** - *No reportable interests on any schedule*

5. Verification

MAILING ADDRESS STREET *(Business or Agency Address Recommended - Public Document)* | CITY | STATE | ZIP CODE

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DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER | E-MAIL ADDRESS

(559) 457-3727

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I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date Signed 05/02/2022 01:27 PM *(month, day, year)*

Signature Claudia Cazares *(File the originally signed paper statement with your filing official.)*

SCHEDULE D
Income – Gifts

CALIFORNIA FORM 700
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
AMENDMENT

▶ NAME OF SOURCE *(Not an Acronym)*
Robert Nelson
ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*
2309 Tulare Street
BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE
Education

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
12/02/21	$85.00	dinner
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

▶ NAME OF SOURCE *(Not an Acronym)*
ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*
BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

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ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*
BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

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___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

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DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

Filer's Verification

Print Name Claudia Cazares

Office, Agency or Court Fresno Unified School District

Statement Type ☒ 2021/2022 Annual ☐ Assuming ☐ Leaving ☐ ____ Annual *(yr)* ☐ Candidate

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Filer's Signature Claudia Cazares

Comments:

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Jonasson	Elizabeth	

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Fresno Unified School District

Division, Board, Department, District, if applicable

Your Position
Board Member

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-or-

☐ ***None*** - *No reportable interests on any schedule*

5. Verification

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2309 Tulare Street	Fresno	CA	93721

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER	E-MAIL ADDRESS
(559) 457-3938	

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Signature Elizabeth Jonasson *(File the originally signed paper statement with your filing official.)*

SCHEDULE D
Income – Gifts

CALIFORNIA FORM 700
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
AMENDMENT

▶ NAME OF SOURCE *(Not an Acronym)*
Robert Nelson

ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*
2309 Tulare st. Fresno CA 93721

BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE
Fresno Unified School District

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
12/03/21	$125	Dinner
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

▶ NAME OF SOURCE *(Not an Acronym)*

ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*

BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

▶ NAME OF SOURCE *(Not an Acronym)*

ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*

BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

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BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

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BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

Filer's Verification

Print Name Elizabeth Jonasson

Office, Agency or Court Fresno Unified School District

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Date Signed 05/22/2022 11:04 AM *(month, day, year)*

Filer's Signature Elizabeth Jonasson

Comments: The superintendent receives a reimbursement for things such as meals involving district business.

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Agency Name *(Do not use acronyms)*
Fresno Unified School District

Division, Board, Department, District, if applicable

Your Position
Board Member

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Agency: _____ Position: _____

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-or-

☐ ***None*** - *No reportable interests on any schedule*

5. Verification

MAILING ADDRESS (Business or Agency Address Recommended - Public Document) STREET: 2309 Tulare Street CITY: Fresno STATE: CA ZIP CODE: 93721

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER: (559) 457-3938

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Signature Genoveva Islas *(File the originally signed paper statement with your filing official.)*

SCHEDULE D
Income – Gifts

CALIFORNIA FORM **700**
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
AMENDMENT

► NAME OF SOURCE *(Not an Acronym)*
Bob Nelson
ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*
2309 Tulare Street, Fresno, Ca 93721
BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE
Superintendent

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
12/02/21	$195.00	Dinner
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

► NAME OF SOURCE *(Not an Acronym)*
ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*
BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

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BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

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___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

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___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

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BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

Filer's Verification

Print Name Genoveva Islas

Office, Agency or Court Fresno Unified School District

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Thomas Keshia

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Fresno Unified School District

Division, Board, Department, District, if applicable

Your Position
Board Member

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Agency: SEE ATTACHED LIST Position:

2. Jurisdiction of Office *(Check at least one box)*

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Date Signed 06/02/2022 12:20 PM *(month, day, year)*

Signature Keshia Thomas *(File the originally signed paper statement with your filing official.)*

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CALIFORNIA FORM 700
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

Name
Keshia Thomas

EXPANDED STATEMENT LIST

Agency Name	Division, Board, Department, District	Position or Title	Jurisdiction	Type of Statement	Period Covered
Dailey Charter Elementary School		Board Member	County of Fresno	Annual	01/01/21 - 12/31/21

SCHEDULE D
Income – Gifts

CALIFORNIA FORM **700**
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
AMENDMENT

▶ NAME OF SOURCE *(Not an Acronym)*
Superintendent Bob Nelson
ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*
668 Sixth Ave, San Diego, CA 92101
BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE
Business Dinner

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
12/02/21	$195.00	Dinner at Fogo de Chao
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

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ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*
BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

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___/___/___	$	
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___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

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___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
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DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

Filer's Verification

Print Name Keshia Thomas

Office, Agency or Court Fresno Unified School District

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1. Office, Agency, or Court

Agency Name *(Do not use acronyms)*
Fresno Unified School District

Division, Board, Department, District, if applicable

Your Position
Board Member

► If filing for multiple positions, list below or on an attachment. *(Do not use acronyms)*

Agency: _____ Position: _____

2. Jurisdiction of Office *(Check at least one box)*

- ☐ State
- ☐ Judge, Retired Judge, Pro Tem Judge, or Court Commissioner (Statewide Jurisdiction)
- ☐ Multi-County _____
- ☒ County of Fresno
- ☐ City of _____
- ☐ Other _____

3. Type of Statement *(Check at least one box)*

☒ **Annual:** The period covered is January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021.
-or-
The period covered is ____/____/____, through December 31, 2021.

☐ **Assuming Office:** Date assumed ____/____/____

☐ **Leaving Office:** Date Left ____/____/____ *(Check one circle.)*
- ○ The period covered is January 1, 2021, through the date of leaving office.
- **-or-**
- ○ The period covered is ____/____/____, through the date of leaving office.

☐ **Candidate:** Date of Election _____ and office sought, if different than Part 1: _____

4. Schedule Summary (must complete) ► *Total number of pages including this cover page:* 2

Schedules attached

- ☐ **Schedule A-1** - *Investments* – schedule attached
- ☐ **Schedule A-2** - *Investments* – schedule attached
- ☐ **Schedule B** - *Real Property* – schedule attached
- ☐ **Schedule C** - *Income, Loans, & Business Positions* – schedule attached
- ☐ **Schedule D** - *Income – Gifts* – schedule attached
- ☒ **Schedule E** - *Income – Gifts – Travel Payments* – schedule attached

-or-

☐ ***None*** - *No reportable interests on any schedule*

5. Verification

MAILING ADDRESS (Business or Agency Address Recommended - Public Document) STREET	CITY	STATE	ZIP CODE
2309 Tulare Street	Fresno	CA	93721

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER	E-MAIL ADDRESS
(559) 457-3938	

I have used all reasonable diligence in preparing this statement. I have reviewed this statement and to the best of my knowledge the information contained herein and in any attached schedules is true and complete. I acknowledge this is a public document.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date Signed 06/01/2022 11:00 PM *(month, day, year)*

Signature Terrence Slatic *(File the originally signed paper statement with your filing official.)*

CALIFORNIA FORM **700**
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
AMENDMENT

SCHEDULE E
Income – Gifts
Travel Payments, Advances, and Reimbursements

- **Mark either the gift or income box.**
- **Mark the "501(c)(3)" box for a travel payment received from a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization or the "Speech" box if you made a speech or participated in a panel. Per Government Code Section 89506, these payments may not be subject to the gift limit. However, they may result in a disqualifying conflict of interest.**
- **For gifts of travel, provide the travel destination.**

▶ NAME OF SOURCE *(Not an Acronym)*
Superintendent Bob Nelson
ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*
2309 Tulare Street
CITY AND STATE
Fresno, CA
☐ 501 (c)(3) or DESCRIBE BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

DATE(S): 12/01/21 - 12/07/21 *(If gift)* AMT: $ 195.00

▶ MUST CHECK ONE: ☒ Gift **-or-** ☐ Income

☐ Made a Speech/Participated in a Panel

☒ Other - Provide Description
Dinner at Convention,Chao de Fuego Restaurant, SanDiego

▶ If Gift, Provide Travel Destination
convention

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Superintendent Bob Nelson
ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*
2309 Tulare Street
CITY AND STATE
Fresno, CA
☐ 501 (c)(3) or DESCRIBE BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

DATE(S): 12/01/21 - 12/07/21 *(If gift)* AMT: $ 357.14

▶ MUST CHECK ONE: ☒ Gift **-or-** ☐ Income

☐ Made a Speech/Participated in a Panel

☒ Other - Provide Description
Dinner at Convention,John's Grill, SanFrancisco

▶ If Gift, Provide Travel Destination
convention

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2309 Tulare Street
CITY AND STATE
Fresno, CA
☐ 501 (c)(3) or DESCRIBE BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE
convention

DATE(S): 12/01/21 - 12/07/21 *(If gift)* AMT: $ 307.69

▶ MUST CHECK ONE: ☒ Gift **-or-** ☐ Income

☐ Made a Speech/Participated in a Panel

☒ Other - Provide Description
Dinner at Convention,Greystone Restaurant, SanDiego

▶ If Gift, Provide Travel Destination
convention

Filer's Verification

Print Name Terrence Slatic

Office, Agency or Court Fresno Unified School District

Statement Type ☒ 2021/2022 Annual ☐ Assuming ☐ Leaving ☐ _____ Annual *(yr)* ☐ Candidate

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Date Signed 06/01/2022 11:00 PM *(month, day, year)*

Filer's Signature Terrence Slatic

Comments:

SCHEDULE D
Income – Gifts

CALIFORNIA FORM 700
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
AMENDMENT

▶ NAME OF SOURCE *(Not an Acronym)*
Bob Nelson
ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*
2309 Tulare Street, Fresno, CA 93721
BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
12/02/21	$195.00	Dinner
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

▶ NAME OF SOURCE *(Not an Acronym)*
ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*
BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

▶ NAME OF SOURCE *(Not an Acronym)*
ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*
BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

▶ NAME OF SOURCE *(Not an Acronym)*
ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*
BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

▶ NAME OF SOURCE *(Not an Acronym)*
ADDRESS *(Business Address Acceptable)*
BUSINESS ACTIVITY, IF ANY, OF SOURCE

DATE (mm/dd/yy)	VALUE	DESCRIPTION OF GIFT(S)
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	
___/___/___	$	

Filer's Verification

Print Name Valerie Davis

Office, Agency or Court Dailey Charter Elementary School

Statement Type ☒ 2021/2022 Annual ☐ Assuming ☐ Leaving ☐ ____ (yr) Annual ☐ Candidate

I have used all reasonable diligence in preparing this statement. I have reviewed this statement and to the best of my knowledge the information contained herein and in any attached schedules is true and complete.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date Signed 05/31/2022 01:54 PM *(month, day, year)*

Filer's Signature Valerie F. Davis

Comments:

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
1102 Q Street • Suite 3000 • Sacramento, CA 95811

August 9, 2022

Terrence (Terry) Slatic
Via email: terry.slatic@fresnounified.org

Re: Complaint No. COM-08082022-02378; Terrence (Terry) Slatic

Dear Mr. Slatic:

The Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission has received a sworn complaint against you. It appears the complainant is alleging you have violated the Political Reform Act's[1] gift limit provisions. The information filed in the complaint is below and any attachments filed are enclosed.

The person filing the Complaint is:
Victor Lai
Fresno County Office of the District Attorney
Via email: vlai@fresnocountyca.gov

The following individuals are listed as Witnesses:
Robert Nelson
Marshall Varela
Brian Poulsen

The violations alleged are:

> ***Unlawful Gift (89503/89521)***
> ***Gift in excess of 2021 annual limit of $520 from a single source. Inaccurate reporting of said gift.***

At this time, we have not made any determination about the allegation(s) made in the complaint. Within 14 days, the complainant will be notified of our intent to:

- investigate the allegations of the complaint;
- refer the complaint to another governmental agency;

[1] The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code sections 81000 through 91014, and all statutory references are to this code. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in Sections 18110 through 18997 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations, and all regulatory references are to this source.

- take no action on the complaint because, on the basis of the information provided, the Commission does not appear to have jurisdiction to investigate; or
- take no action on the complaint because the allegations of the complaint do not warrant the Commission's further action.

A copy of that letter will be forwarded to you. If you have any comments on the allegation(s), your comments must be submitted in writing directed to Tara Stock at the address shown above or by email to tstock@fppc.ca.gov. Please include the complaint number referenced above in your response.

Sincerely,

Angela J. Brereton

Angela J. Brereton, Chief
Enforcement Division

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
1102 Q Street • Suite 3000 • Sacramento, CA 95814-2329

August 22, 2022

Victor Lai
Fresno County Office of the District Attorney
Via email: vlai@fresnocountyca.gov

RE: FPPC Case No. 2022-00617; Terrence (Terry) Slatic

Dear Mr. Lai:

This letter is to notify you that the Enforcement Division of the Fair Political Practices Commission will investigate the allegation(s), under the jurisdiction of the Commission, of the sworn complaint you submitted in the above-referenced matter. You will next receive notification from us upon final disposition of the case. However, please be advised that at this time we have not made any determination about the validity of the allegation(s) you have made or about the culpability, if any, of the person(s) you identify in your complaint.

Thank you for taking the time to bring this matter to our attention. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Tara Stock at (916) 322-8241 or tstock@fppc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Angela J. Brereton

Angela J. Brereton, Chief
Enforcement Division

AJB/ts

cc: Terrence Slatic