



CEC Governing Board Meeting–March 10, 2023 @ 3:30 p.m. Virtual Via Microsoft Teams

Call to Order – Laura called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. with the reading of the mission statement.

Mission Statement

Colorado Early Colleges' mission is to prepare a diverse population of students for life by developing their mind, body and character through rigorous academic studies, and character development activities in cooperation with the community we serve.

All students, regardless of background or skill level, will have the opportunity to pursue a growth mindset that will allow them to achieve mastery and will demonstrate that they can succeed in school, in college, and in their chosen career.

No exceptions. No excuses.

Attendees:

- Board of Governors: Laura Calhoun, Terry McDonald, Arthur Cyphers, Jessie Mathis, Larry Mohr (absent), and Fish Abrhaley
- Chief Executive Administrator: Sandi Brown
- Attorneys: Dustin Sparks (absent) and Amber DeCarli
- Other staff as required: Brenda R., Tom S., Karisa H., Hannah R., Jennifer D., Cameron M., Kelly S., Jay E., Stephanie L., Rachael S., Maren B., and George S.,
- Guests: Nicole K., Eilee V., Eva B., Chris D., Josh S., Trinity B., Lisa M., Sandra S., Michele T., Kelly L., Allison M., Bailey M., Christina G., Kitty M., Roger L., Lauren A., Johnson (Guest), Janelle H., and Laura J.,

Approval of Agenda – Terry made a motion to approve the agenda. Art 2nd. Approved.

Correspondence/Board Comments - none

Administration Report – Sandi Brown

- Academics
 - Sandi spotlighted various school and staff highlights across the CEC Network.
 - Aurora and Online Campus Graduates Presentations - Two 2023 graduates from CEC Aurora and two 2023 graduates from CEC Online Campus shared their experiences at CEC including why they chose CEC, what credentials they are earning at graduation, and their future education and career goals. Laura thanked the graduates for attending and congratulated them on their achievements.
 - Founder's and President's Award Selection Process – Sandi updated Board members on the process they will follow in selecting each CEC high school's honoree for the 2023 Founder's Scholarship Award and the 2023 President's Scholarship Award.
 - CEC Graduation Dates – Sandi highlighted the CEC promotion and graduation ceremonies listed below.

- CEC Online Campus MS
 - Tuesday, May 9 @ 10 a.m., Virtual
- CEC Fort Collins MS
 - Thursday, May 11 @ 5 p.m., King Auditorium CECFC High School, 4424 Innovation Drive
- CEC Windsor
 - Thursday, May 11 @ 7 p.m., King Auditorium CECFC High School, 4424 Innovation Drive
- CEC Online Campus HS
 - Friday, May 12 @ 10 a.m., Virtual
- CEC Colorado Springs MS
 - Friday, May 12 @ 1 p.m. (tentative), CEC Colorado Springs Basecamp
- CEC Fort Collins HS
 - Saturday, May 13 @ 2 p.m., Embassy Suites, 4705 Clydesdale Parkway, Loveland
- CEC Colorado Springs HS
 - Thursday, May 18 @ 9:30 a.m. , DoubleTree by Hilton, 1775 Cheyenne Mountain Blvd.
- CEC Aurora
 - Thursday, May 18 @ 2 p.m., Colorado Community Church, 14000 E. Jewell Ave. Aurora
- CEC Douglas County
 - Friday, May 19 @ 10 a.m., The Hyatt Regency Denver Tech Center, 7800 E. Tufts Ave., Denver

Finance – Cameron Mascoll

- Update FY 2021-22 Tax Returns – Cameron informed the Board that the 2021-22 tax return is taking longer to complete due to the consolidation of the CEC building corps.

Public Comment

The Board welcomes Public Comment. Please keep comments to 3 minutes or less per person. Should you have a question for the Board that requires a response, please submit your question via email to the CEC Governing Board President, Laura Calhoun, at laura.calhoun@coloradoearlycolleges.org who will then respond to your question via email.

- The first guest to speak (in order of raised hands in Teams) was Eilee V.
- Lisa M. was the next guest speaker.
- Laura Calhoun thanked both Eilee and Lisa, on behalf of all Board members, for their comments and participation. She stated that the Board values input from parents, students, staff, and the CECFC community. So that the Board can address concerns directly, Laura asked that additional questions be submitted to her in writing via email at laura.calhoun@coloradoearlycolleges.org.

Board Action

- Approve February 11, 2023 CEC Governing Board Meeting Minutes – Jessie made a motion to approve the February 11, 2023 CEC Governing Board Meeting Minutes. Art 2nd. Approved
- Approve 2023-24 CEC School Calendars – Art made a motion to approve all 2023-24 CEC School Calendars listed below. Terry 2nd. Approved
 - CEC Aurora
 - CEC Colorado Springs
 - CEC Douglas County (includes CEC Castle Rock, CEC Inverness, and CEC Parker)
 - CEC Everest Point Homeschool Academy Colorado Springs/Northglenn
 - CEC Everest Point Homeschool Academy Inverness
 - CEC Fort Collins (includes middle school and high school on single calendar)
 - CEC Network
 - CEC Online Campus

- CEC Online Enrichment (My Tech High)
- CEC Windsor
- Resolution 2023-03-10A: Vote on the Appointment of Dr. Roger LaMarca to CEC Governing Board – Art made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-03-10A: Vote on the Appointment of Dr. Roger LaMarca to CEC Governing Board. Jessie 2nd. Unanimously approved by roll call vote.

Executive Session

- C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b), for conference with the attorney for the public entity, specifically to receive legal advice on potential litigation.
 - At 4:14 p.m., Jessie made a motion to enter Executive Session in accordance with C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b), conference with the attorney for the public entity, specifically to receive legal advice on potential litigation. Invited into Executive Session were Laura Calhoun, Terry McDonald, Art Cyphers, Jessie Mathis, Fish Abrhaley, Brenda Rhodes, Amber DeCarli, Sandi Brown, Stephanie Livingston, and Rachael Sundeen. Terry 2nd. Approved. Brenda left the Executive Session once the meeting recording was started and stopped.
 - At 5:11 p.m. Art made a motion to exit Executive Session. Terry 2nd. Approved. Brenda was invited back into Executive Session to start and stop the meeting recording.
- C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(f), personnel matters.
 - At 5:18 p.m. Art made a motion to enter Executive Session in accordance with C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(f), personnel matters. Invited into Executive Session were Laura Calhoun, Terry McDonald, Art Cyphers, Jessie Mathis, Fish Abrhaley, and Brenda Rhodes. Jessie 2nd. Approved. Brenda left the Executive Session once the meeting recording was started.
 - At 5:40 p.m. Art made a motion to exit Executive Session. Terry 2nd. Approved. Brenda was invited back into Executive Session to stop the meeting recording.

Other Business – none

Future Meetings of the Governing Board

- April 21, 2023 – CEC Parker @ 3:30 p.m.
 - **12:30 - 1:30 p.m.**
 - CEC Aurora Tour and Lunch Meeting with Students and Staff
 - **2:00 – 3:00 p.m.**
 - CEC Parker Tour and Meeting with Students and Staff
 - **3:30 p.m.**
 - CEC Governing Board Meeting
- May 12, 2023 - Virtual Via Microsoft Teams @ 3:30 p.m.
- No June 2023 Meeting
- July 21, 2023 – Virtual Via Microsoft Teams @ 3:30 p.m.

Adjourn – Laura adjourned the meeting at 5:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Rhodes, CEC Executive Office Administrator

Signed



Laura Calhoun, CEC Governing Board President