



CEC Governing Board Meeting – May 26, 2023 @ 3:30 p.m. Virtual Via Microsoft Teams

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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, Fish Abrahaley, and Roger LaMarca
- Chief Executive Administrator: Sandi Brown
- Attorneys: Dustin Sparks
- Other staff as required: Tom S., Brenda R., Cameron M., Alli S., Stephanie L., Sarah B., Jay E., Dee Dee V., Maren B., Sandra S., Christine F., Eilee V., Nicole K., Sam L., Stephen L., and Jeff S.

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

Correspondence/Board Comments – Laura commented that all the graduation ceremonies were amazing and emphasized that 100% of graduates achieve a degree, or certificate, or college credits – just phenomenal.

Administration Report – Sandi Brown

- Sandi thanked the Board for attending the graduation ceremonies.
- Marketing – Sandi highlighted the achievements at each CEC school as noted in the CEC Summit Up newsletter and updated the Board that 2023-24 enrollment is going well.
 - [CEC Summit Up Newsletter](#)

- Academics
 - SAC End of Year Reports – Sandi mentioned that the main theme throughout the School Accountability Committee (SAC) reports was school security. Security improvements will take place over the summer.
- Human Resources
 - Teacher and Staff Salaries – Sandi informed the Board that Per Pupil Revenue (PPR) increased 10.6% for the 2023-24 school year. As a result, CEC is able to give substantial raises to staff that will help CEC be competitive with local school districts.

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 was Eilee V.
- Sam L was the next speaker.
- The last speaker was Christine F.
- Laura Calhoun thanked Eilee, Sam, and Christine on behalf of all Board members, for their comments and participation. She stated that the Board values input from parents, students, staff, and the community.

Finance – Cameron Mascoll

- Date for Special June Board Meeting to Approve FY23-24 Budgets
 - June 15, 2023 @ 7:30 a.m. was agreed upon as the date for the Special CEC Governing Board Meeting to approve FY23-24 budgets.
- Board Travel Reimbursements Submitted by June 13, 2023 – Cameron reminded the Board to submit their requests for travel reimbursements by June 13, 2023.

Executive Session

- Executive session pursuant to C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(f)(I) for personnel matters, specifically discussing CEA annual review, goals, and contract renewal/amendment; and executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b) conference with the attorney for the public entity, specifically receiving legal advice related to CEA annual review, goals, and contract renewal/amendment and additional personal matters, and potential litigation matters.
 - At 4:19 p.m., Larry made a motion to enter Executive Session in accordance with C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(f)(I) for personnel matters, specifically discussing CEA annual review, goals, and contract renewal/amendment; and executive session pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b) conference with the attorney for the public entity, specifically receiving legal advice related to CEA annual review, goals, and contract renewal/amendment and additional personal matters, and potential litigation matters. Invited into Executive Session were Laura Calhoun, Terry McDonald, Art Cyphers, Jessie Mathis, Larry Mohr, Fish Abrhaley, Roger LaMarca, Dustin Sparks, and Brenda Rhodes. Jessie 2nd. Approved. Brenda left Executive Session once the meeting recording was started and stopped.
 - At 5:30 p.m. Sandi Brown and Brenda Rhodes were invited into Executive Session. Brenda left Executive Session once the meeting recording was started.
 - At 6:07 p.m. Terry made a motion to exit Executive Session. Art 2nd. Approved.

Board Action

- Approve April 21, 2023 CEC Governing Board Meeting Minutes – Jessie made a motion to approve the April 21, 2023 CEC Governing Board Meeting Minutes. Art 2nd. Approved.
- Approve 2023.05.26A Resolution to Approve CEC Governing Board 2023-24 Board Meeting Calendar and Posting Notice – Terry made a motion to approve 2023.05.26A Resolution to Approve CEC Governing Board 2023-24 Meeting Calendar and Posting Notice. Art 2nd. Approved by roll call vote.
- Approve 2023.05.26B Resolution to Create the CEC Board Recruitment Committee – Art made a motion to approve 2023-05-26B Resolution to Create the CEC Board Recruitment Committee. Jessie 2nd. Approved by roll call vote.
- Approve 2023.05.26C Resolution Approving the Fifth Amendment to the Chief Executive Administrator’s Contract – Terry made a motion to approve 2023-05-26C Resolution Approving the Fifth Amendment to the Chief Executive Administrator’s Contract. Larry 2nd. Approved by roll call vote.
- Approve CEC State and Local Assessment Administration Policy – Art made a motion to approve the CEC State and Local Assessment Administration Policy. Terry 2nd. Approved.
- 2023-24 Board of Director Election – Terry McDonald was unanimously elected by roll call vote to serve another 3 year term, ending May 2026. Terry abstained from voting.
- 2023-23 Board Officer Elections – the following Board members were elected to serve as Board officers:
 - President – Laura Calhoun – unanimously elected by roll call vote; Laura abstained from voting.
 - Vice President – Terry McDonald - unanimously elected by roll call vote; Terry abstained from voting.
 - Treasurer – Art Cyphers - unanimously elected by roll call vote; Art abstained from voting.
 - Secretary – Fish Abrhaley - unanimously elected by roll call vote; Fish abstained from voting.

Other Business - none

Future Meetings of the Governing Board

- June - Special Board Meeting to Approve FY23-24 Budgets
- July 21, 2023 - Virtual Via Microsoft Teams @ 3:30 p.m.

Adjourn – Laura adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Rhodes, CEC Executive Office Administrator

Signed

Fish Abrhaley

Fish Abrhaley, CEC Governing Board Secretary