



## **CEC Governing Board Meeting December 15, 2023 @ 3:30 p.m.**

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**Call to Order** – Laura called the meeting to order at 3:33 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: Amber DeCarli
- Other staff as required: Cameron M., Stephanie., George S., Alli S., Dee Dee V., Kelly S., Sarah B., Hannah R., Tom S., Keshia M., Maren B., Jennifer D., Kitty M., Mark M., and Brenda R.
- Guests: Isis B., Will W., Jay S., Jon H., Derek S., and Marian H.

### **Approval of Agenda**

- Larry made a motion to amend the agenda to move Public Comment directly after the Administration Report eliminating the need for two separate Executive Sessions. Art 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved.
- Larry made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Art 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved. The meeting minutes reflect the change.

### **Correspondence/Board Comments - None**

### **Administration Report – Sandi Brown**

- Academics
  - Isis B., CEC Online Campus, Colorado League of Charter Schools 2024 Charter Champion

- Isis shared her journey at CEC and how she was selected to be a 2024 Charter Champion to represent CEC's Online Campus.

## Public Comment - None

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](mailto:laura.calhoun@coloradoearlycolleges.org) who will then respond to your question via email.

## Executive Session

- C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(d), specialized details of security arrangements, specifically discussion of CEC's security plans.
- C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(b), for conferences with the attorney for CEC, specifically for the purpose of receiving legal advice related to an anonymous complaint forwarded to CEC by CSI.
  - At 3:44 p.m. Jessie made a motion to enter Executive Session in accordance with C.R.S. §24-6-402(4)(d), specialized details of security arrangements, specifically discussion of CEC's security plans, and C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(b), for conferences with the attorney for CEC, specifically for the purpose of receiving legal advice related to an anonymous complaint forwarded to CEC by CSI. Invited into Executive Session were Laura Calhoun, Terry McDonald, Arthur Cyphers, Jessie Mathis, Larry Mohr, Fish Abrhaley, and Roger LaMarca, Sandi Brown, Amber DeCarli, Cameron M., Stephanie., George S., Alli S., Dee Dee V., Kelly S., Sarah B., Hannah R., Tom S., Keshia M., Maren B., Jennifer D., Kitty M., Mark M., Will W., Jay S., Jon H., Derek S., Marian H., and Brenda R. Terry 2<sup>nd</sup>. Brenda left the Executive Session once the meeting recording was started.
  - At 4:41 p.m., Brenda was invited back into Executive Session to stop the meeting recording.
  - At 4:42 p.m. Brenda started the meeting recording for C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(b), for conferences with the attorney for CEC, specifically for the purpose of receiving legal advice related to an anonymous complaint forwarded to CEC by CSI. Individuals invited into this Executive Session were Laura Calhoun, Terry McDonald, Arthur Cyphers, Jessie Mathis, Larry Mohr, Fish Abrhaley, Roger LaMarca, Amber DeCarli, and Brenda R.
  - At 4:43 p.m., Brenda stopped the meeting recording and left the Executive Session.
  - At 5:45 p.m., Jessie made a motion to exit Executive Session. Art 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved. Board members rejoined the public meeting.

## Board Discussion

- Board Resolution 2023-12-15A School Security Measures
  - Laura read Board Resolution 2023-12-15A School Security Measures aloud. Board member discussion included process for selecting the vendor, communication to parents and staff, and next steps.

## Board Action

- Approve November 17, 2023 CEC Governing Board Meeting Minutes
  - Terry made a motion to approve the November 17, 2023 CEC Governing Board Meeting Minutes. Jessie 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved.
- Approve Public Right To Know Freedom of Information policy
  - Larry made a motion to approve the Public Right To Know Freedom of Information policy. Jessie 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved.
- Approve Board Resolution 2023-12-15A School Security Measures
  - Art made a motion to approve Board Resolution 2023-12-15A School Security Measures. Larry 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved via roll call vote as follows:
    - Laura – Yes

- Terry – Yes
  - Art – Yes
  - Jessie – Yes
  - Larry – Yes
  - Fish – Yes
  - Roger - Yes
- Approve 2024-2025 CEC School Calendars
  - CEC Aurora
  - CEC Colorado Springs
  - CEC Douglas County (includes CEC Castle Rock and CEC DC North)
  - CEC Everest Point Homeschool Academy Colorado Springs/Northglenn
  - CEC Everest Point Homeschool Academy Douglas County
  - 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
    - Terry made a motion to approve all 2024-24 CEC School Calendars listed above. Larry 2<sup>nd</sup>. Approved.

**Other Business** - None

**Future Meetings of the Governing Board**

- January 18, 2024 @ 3:30 p.m.
- February 24, 2024 @ 3:30 p.m. (In Person Board Retreat and Board Meeting)
- March 15, 2024 @ 3:30 p.m.

**Adjourned** - Laura adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Rhodes, CEC Executive Office Administrator

Signed

*Fish Abrhaley*

Fish Abrhaley, CEC Governing Board Secretary

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