



CEC Governing Board Meeting – November 20, 2020

Microsoft Teams @ 1:30 p.m.

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Call to Order: Laura called the meeting to order with the reading of the mission statement at 1:31 p.m.

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, Robin Phillips, Jessie Mathis, and Papa Dia (Absent.)
- Chief Executive Administrator: Sandi Brown
- Attorney: Dustin Sparks
- School Leaders and other staff: Brenda Rhodes, Hannah Reese, Jennifer Daugherty, Kelly Smith, Larry Mohr (parent guest), Delight Hockman, Lacey Scadden, Alex Tuel, Jay Egger, Cory Harbor, Stephanie Livingston, Laura S. Thomas Smith, Cameron Mascoll, Michelle Fisher, Sarah Burkeen and Collin Turbert.

Approval of Agenda – Art put forth a motion to approve the agenda, Robin 2nd. All in Favor.

Correspondence/Board Comments

- Next CSI School Board Quarterly Webinar – Tuesday, December 1 from 4:00-5:00 p.m.
 - Brenda will forward registration information
- CEC Governing Board Retreat – date and location – February. The Board is considering February 20, 2021, for an all-day Board Retreat, perhaps at the Inverness location.
- CSI Board Trainings for Grants - Sandi

Administration Report – Sandi Brown



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- COVID Update – Sandi presented the current pivot plans for all schools to pivot from in-person and hybrid learning to remote learning – depending on the various County health department input, and staff requirements. She did note that CEC Parents are in favor of in-person learning, but we will continue towards that goal in a safe manner in the weeks to come.
- CEC Buildings and Lease Update Report – Michelle Fisher presented our current building project updates. Michelle also highlighted our CECFCMS West partnership with the Boys and Girls Clubs.
- Schools Update – Michelle presented this along with the Lease Update Report.
- Colorado League of Charter Schools and Other Alliances
 - Sandi shared that, post-election, or Colorado Legislative Climate remains very similar to how it was last year. We will continue to partner with the League of Charter Schools to stand up for charter school legislative support.
- Presentation of Grant Topic-Based Webinar – Dr. Stephanie Livingston presented to the Board training from what she learned at a recent Webinar on the 3 C's of Mental Health – and how that affects students and staff.
- In preparing for new student informational meetings, Sandi shared a few of our milestones:

Since 2007, CEC has:

- Graduated 1,546 students with associate degrees
- Helped students earn 165,000 college credits
- Saved families \$31,219,633 in tuition, fees, and books
- Graduated 2,955 students with some college credit
- Enrolled 4,659 student across the CEC Network of Schools
- Grown 1,259% since inception

Board Action

- Approve October 16, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes – Terry put forth a motion to approve Oct. 16 minutes. Jessie 2nd the motion. All in Favor.
- Signed 2020-21 Board Commitments due November 30, 2020—all Board members must print and sign this year's Board Commitment form (uploaded to Teams) and return it to Brenda by Nov. 30, preferably today.
- Approve Resolution 2020.11.20A CEC Reimbursement – Dustin summarized the resolution. Laura read the Resolution in its entirety. Jessie put forth a motion to approve Resolution 2020.11.20A. Art 2nd the motion. The Board voted by rollcall vote; All in Favor.

Public Comment – none.

Executive Session



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- At 2:48 p.m. Art put forth a motion to go into executive session for C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(f), personnel matters. Jessie 2nd the motion. All in Favor.
- At 3:43 pm Jessie put forth a motion to leave Executive Session. Terry 2nd the motion. All in Favor.

Other Business -- none

Future Meetings of the Governing Board

- December 11, 2020 @ 3:30 PM – Virtual Via Teams
- January 15, 2021 @ 3:30 PM – Virtual Via Teams
- February 2021 – CEC Governing Board Retreat

Call to End – Laura adjourned the meeting at 3:55 p.m.

Signed,

Robin Phillips

Robin Phillips, Board Secretary
11/20/2020