



CEC Governing Board Meeting
July 19, 2024 @ 3:30 p.m.
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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, and Fish Abrhaley
- Executive Leadership Team: Cameron Mascoll, CFO; Stephanie Livingston, Executive Director of Organizational Development and HR; Ann Schultz, Executive Director of Academics; Saeed Sarani, Executive Director of Operations; Mark Murbach, Executive Director of Facilities Management.
- Attorneys: Dustin Sparks
- Other staff as required: Brenda Rhodes, Executive Office Administrator
- Guests: Kelly S., Kitty M., Dee Dee V. joined at 5:30 p.m.

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

Correspondence/Board Comments

- Larry asked if CEC was affected by the Microsoft outage that occurred. Kelly S. noted that CEC was not affected.

Administration Report

- Update HB21 and HB24 – Colorado’s Accessibility Law – Saeed Sarani
 - Saeed briefed the Board on CEC’s efforts to be in compliance with Colorado HB 21 and HB 24 – Colorado’s Accessibility Law. CEC is collaborating with an outside vendor who is helping with compliance. CEC has posted its Accessibility Statement and Project Plan on its website. The website is the priority right now as it hosts all public-facing documents. This is an ongoing project and Saeed stated that he is comfortable that CEC is on the right track and will be in compliance before July 2025.
- 2024-25 Enrollment Update – Cameron Mascoll
 - Cameron highlighted current student enrollment for 2024-25 school year.
- Final 2024 CEC Graduation Achievements Report – Ann Schultz
 - Ann highlighted the final 2024 CEC Graduation Achievement Report noting that 99% of all 2024 CEC graduates earned a postsecondary credential in addition to their high school diploma.
 - A question was asked if CEC tracks the acceptance of our graduates into institutions of higher education. Ann will see if that is happening or is possible.

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 cecgoverningboard@coloradoearlycolleges.org who will then respond to your question via email.

Discussion and Board Action

- Approve May 23, 2024 CEC Governing Board Meeting Minutes
 - Jessie made a motion to approve the May 23, 2024 CEC Governing Board Meeting Minutes. Fish 2nd. Approved with Terry McDonald abstaining as he was absent for the May 23, 2024 meeting.
- Approve June 19, 2024 Special CEC Governing Board Meeting Minutes
 - Larry made a motion to approve the June 19, 2024 Special CEC Governing Board Meeting Minutes. Jessie 2nd. Approved
- Approve June 27, 2024 Special CEC Governing Board Meeting Minutes
 - Jessie made a motion to approve the June 27, 2024 CEC Special CEC Governing Board Meeting Minutes. Terry 2nd. Approved
- Approve 2024-25 Student Charges and Charges Schedule Policy
 - Jessie asked if CEC has had problems collecting fees from students. Cameron summarized the process used in notifying parents/guardians of unpaid student charges.
 - Larry made a motion to approve the 2024-25 Student Charges and Charges Schedule Policy as presented. Terry 2nd. Approved.
- Approve Immunization Policy
 - The Board had no questions or discussion regarding this policy.
 - Art made a motion to approve the Immunization Policy as presented. Terry 2nd. Approved.
- Approve Governing Board Policy
 - Jessie asked how Board member visits to school would be documented. Laura requested Board members let her know when they are visiting a school and to coordinate the visit with the Head of School.
 - The question was raised if the Board will resume in-person school visits and tours. No decision was made.
 - Art made a motion to approve the Governing Board Policy as presented. Jessie 2nd. Approved
 - Brenda noted that all Board members will sign the Governing Board policy and Conflict of Interest Form at the August Board meeting.

Executive Session

- §24-6-402(4)(a), C.R.S.), the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer, or sale of any real, personal, or other property interest - Sale of Wheaton property
- §24-6-402(4)(d), C.R.S.), specialized details of security arrangements, specifically discussion of CEC's Safe School Plans and related policies and procedures.
- §24-6-402(4)(f), C.R.S.), personnel matters - Update CEO Hiring Process and discussion of individual CEC employee
- 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 the sale of Wheaton, CEC's Safe School Plans and related policies and procedures, CEO hiring process, authority of Executive Committee, authority of HR Committee, authority of Board, and individual CEC employees.
 - At 4:21 p.m. Larry made a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to §24-6-402(4)(a), C.R.S.), the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer, or sale of any real, personal, or other property interest - Sale of Wheaton property; §24-6-402(4)(d), C.R.S.), specialized details of security arrangements, specifically discussion of CEC's Safe School Plans and related policies and procedures; §24-6-402(4)(f), C.R.S.), personnel matters - Update CEO Hiring Process and discussion of individual CEC employee; 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 the sale of Wheaton, CEC's Safe School Plans and related policies and procedures, CEO hiring process, authority of Executive Committee, authority of HR Committee, authority of Board, and individual CEC employees.
 - Invited into §24-6-402(4)(a), C.R.S.), the purchase, acquisition, lease, transfer, or sale of any real, personal, or other property interest - Sale of Wheaton property were all Board members in attendance, Dustin Sparks, Cameron Mascoll, Stephanie Livingston, Mark Murbach, Ann Schultz, Saeed Sarani, and Brenda Rhodes.
 - At 4:42 p.m. Kitty Moore was invited into Executive Session for §24-6-402(4)(d), C.R.S.), specialized details of security arrangements, specifically discussion of CEC's Safe School Plans and related policies and procedures.
 - At 4:52 p.m. Kitty Moore left Executive Session.
 - At 4:52 p.m. all Board members in attendance, Dustin Sparks, Cameron Mascoll, Stephanie Livingston, Mark Murbach, Ann Schultz, Saeed Sarani, and Brenda Rhodes were invited to stay in Executive Session for §24-6-402(4)(f), C.R.S.), personnel matters - Update CEO Hiring Process.
 - At 5:03 p.m. Cameron Mascoll, Stephanie Livingston, Mark Murbach, Ann Schultz, Saeed Sarani, and Brenda Rhodes left Executive Session.
 - At 5:03 p.m. all Board members in attendance and Dustin Sparks remained in Executive Session for §24-6-402(4)(f), C.R.S.), personnel matters - discussion of individual CEC employee; 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 the sale of Wheaton, authority of Executive Committee, authority of HR Committee, and authority of Board.
 - At 5:47 p.m. Larry made a motion to exit Executive Session. Jessie 2nd. Approved. All Board members in attendance and Dustin Sparks rejoined the public meeting.

Additional Discussion and Board Action

- Vote on Resolution 2024.07.19A Sale of Wheaton
 - Larry made a motion to vote on Resolution 2024.07.19A Sale of Wheaton. Art 2nd. Call for discussion was made and there was none. Resolution approved per roll call vote:
 - Laura – Yes
 - Terry – Yes
 - Art – Yes
 - Jessie – Yes
 - Larry – Yes

- Fish - Yes
- Vote on Resolution 2024.07.19B Safe School Plans
 - Art made a motion to vote on Resolution 2027.07.19B Safe School Plans. Terry 2nd. Call for discussion was made and there was none. Resolution approved per roll call vote:
 - Laura – Yes
 - Terry – Yes
 - Art – Yes
 - Jessie – Yes
 - Larry – Yes
 - Fish - Yes
- Vote on Resolution 2024.07.19C Creation of New Position
 - Jessie made a motion to vote on Resolution 2027.07.19C Creation of New Position. Art 2nd. Call for discussion was made and there was none. Resolution approved per roll call vote:
 - Laura – Yes
 - Terry – Yes
 - Art – Yes
 - Jessie – Yes
 - Larry – Yes
 - Fish - Yes
- Vote on Resolution 2024.07.19D Replacing Resolution No. 2024-06-27B Regarding Creation of Executive Committee
 - Art made a motion to vote on 024.07.19D Replacing Resolution No. 2024-06-27B Regarding Creation of Executive Committee. Jessie 2nd. Call for discussion was and there was none. Resolution approved per roll call vote:
 - Laura – Yes
 - Terry – Yes
 - Art – Yes
 - Jessie – Yes
 - Larry – Yes
 - Fish - Yes

Announcements

- 2024 CEC Network Kickoff Events (In-Person)
 - CEC Aurora
 - Thursday, August 1 from 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.
 - CEC Castle Rock
 - Thursday, August 1 from 3:30 – 4:00 p.m.
 - CEC Colorado Springs and EPHA Colorado Springs
 - Friday, August 2 from 9:30 – 10:00 a.m.
 - CEC Windsor
 - Tuesday, August 6 from 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.
 - CEC Fort Collins HS/MS
 - Tuesday, August 6 from 2:30 – 3:00 p.m.
 - CEC DC North, EPHA Northglenn and Centennial
 - Wednesday, August 7 from 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.
 - CEC OLC - Virtual
 - Wednesday, August 14 from 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.
 - Laura reviewed the CEC Network Kickoff Event timeline and highlights with the Board.
 - Brenda noted the date for the CEC OLC Virtual Network Kickoff Event was changed to Friday, August 9 from 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Future Meetings of the Governing Board

- August 16, 2024 @ 3:30 p.m. Virtually Via Teams
- September 20, 2024 @ 3:30 p.m. Virtually Via Teams
- October 11, 2024 @ 3:30 p.m. Virtually Via Teams

Adjourned – Laura adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Rhodes, CEC Executive Office Administrator

Signed

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fish Abrhaley".

Fish Abrhaley, CEC Governing Board Secretary