



CEC Governing Board Meeting January 27, 2026 @ 7:30 a.m. Join the meeting now

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Call to Order – Laura called the meeting to order at 7:32 a.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 Abrahaley (absent)
- Chief Executive Officer: Dr. Jill Gildea
- Chief Financial Officer: Cameron Mascoll
- Governing Board Liaison: Brenda Rhodes
- Other Guests: Melissa T.

Approval of Agenda

- Art made a motion to approve the agenda; Terry 2nd. Approved.

Finance – Cameron Mascoll

- 2025-2026 Amended Budgets
 - Cameron reported that he, Trish Davis, Dr. Gildea, and the Board's Finance Committee (Art Cyphers and Larry Mohr) met last week to review all amended budgets.
 - Larry M. noted that since CEC is one organization, the network is in good shape. Cameron added that even with the red variances from budget to actuals, the overall fund balance is still growing.
 - Jill summarized the state parameters regarding enrollment projections while Cameron, Art, and Larry acknowledged the nation-wide trend of declining student enrollment.
 - On behalf of the Board's Finance Committee Larry recommended that the full Board approve all schools' 2025-2026 amended budgets

Board Discussion and Action

- Approve Resolution 2026.01.27A Approving 2025-2026 Amended School Budgets
 - Art made a motion to approve Resolution 2026.01.27A Approving 2025-2026 Amended School Budgets. Jessie 2nd. Approved per the following roll call vote:
 - Laura – Yes
 - Terry – Yes
 - Art – Yes
 - Jessie – Yes
 - Larry – Yes
 - Fish - Absent

Future Meetings of the Governing Board

- February 19, 2026 @ 6:00 p.m. Virtually Via Teams
- March 19, 2026 @ 6:00 p.m. Virtually Via Teams
- April 16, 2026 @ 6:00 p.m. Virtually Via Teams

Adjourned

- Larry made a motion to adjourn the January 27, 2026 Special CEC Governing Board Meeting; Terry 2nd. Approved.
- Laura adjourned the meeting at 8:09 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Rhodes, CEC Board Liaison

Signed



Laura Calhoun, CEC Governing Board President