



**Foundation Academic Angels Committee Meeting
Minutes for Tuesday, May 10, 2022
2:00PM via ZOOM**

Meeting Participants

Committee Members Present

Marge Dodge (Chair) and Peggy Jacobs

Non-Voting Committee Members Present

Cynthia Cottrell, Shari Stewart, and Linda Weakly

Committee Members NOT Present

Norma Castaneda

Non-Voting Committee Members NOT Present

Nancy Harris

Guest(s)

Catherine Abbott, Gailya Brown

Recorder

Juli Maxwell

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

1.1 Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm.

2. Action Items

2.1 Approval of Agenda: Foundation Academic Angels Committee Meeting of May 10, 2022 Agenda: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2), the Committee may take action on items of business not appearing on the posted agenda, upon a determination by a two-thirds vote of the members of the legislative body present at the meeting, or, if less than two-thirds of the members are present, a unanimous vote of those members present, that there is a need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the local agency subsequent to the agenda being posted as specified in subdivision (a).

2.1 Confirmation of Agenda: Approval of Agenda for the Academic Angels Committee Meeting of May 10, 2022 with any addition, correction or deletions.

2.1 Conclusion

Peggy Jacobs moved to approve the agenda as presented, Marge Dodge seconded. Motion carried.

2.1 Follow-up Items	2.1 Task of	2.1 Due by
None	None	None

3. Minutes

3.1 Approval of the Academic Angels Committee Meeting Minutes of April 12, 2022.

Peggy Jacobs moved to approve the minutes as presented, Marge Dodge seconded. Motion carried.

4. Comments from the Public

4.1 Public Comments: In accordance with Senate Bill 361 and guidance from the California Department of Public Health on gatherings, remote public participation is allowed and will be accepted in person, by email to codfoundation@collegeofthedesert.edu and read into the record during public comment or by using the raise your hand function by joining the Zoom link. There is a time limit of three (3) minutes per person. All comments must be submitted or brought forward prior to the end of the public comments section.

There were no comments received from the public.

5. Action & Discussion Items

5.1 "Spring into Summer" Luncheon – May 19

Marge Dodge informed the committee that there are currently 27 reservations and nine of them are guests. Marge has emailed the committee members that have not made a reservation to remind them to do so. Marge suggested that all

committee members should RSVP for the event and bring a guest. The guaranteed guest number with Bighorn, has been lowered from 50 to 40 people. The committee discussed the program for the event and decided no formal program was needed. Marge explained what she will be saying that the luncheon, including details on what the Academic Angels is, what the Foundation does and what COD is and does. Shawn Abramowitz will talk the Learning to Lead program the impact on COD Students. This coming year COD will have 6 students in the program, and each needs a sponsor for \$1000. Once Shawn is done speaking, Marge will ask if anyone at the event will pledge \$1000.

The committee discussed for ideas for centerpieces. The budget is about \$300 for 5 centerpieces. Catherine Abbott to look at floral arrangements at Ralphs grocery store, and Marge to contact Rancho Mirage Florist to see what they can do keeping the budget in mind.

Once all RSVPs are in, Marge will assign tables and make adhesive name tags for everyone, that includes name and table number, using Perfect Table. Juli Maxwell and Kirstien Renna will check-in guests at the event.

5.1 Follow-up Items	5.1 Task of	5.1 Due by
Contact RM Florist regarding centerpieces.	Marge Dodge	ASAP
Contact Ralphs Supermarket regarding centerpieces.	Catherine Abbott	ASAP

5.2 State of the College – Tentatively October 26

Marge discussed where the event will be held and determined that having the event on campus would be very expensive. Catherine Abbott and Marge looked at the JW Marriott and Renaissance Esmeralda as possible locations, and recommend that the event should be held at the Renaissance Esmeralda in the Crystal Ballroom, which holds 350 people. Event will begin at 11:30am on October 26, 2022. Menu will be 2 courses.

The Foundation pays for this event, however, there is a division of responsibility. The Academic Angels and the Foundation choose the menu, tablecloths and location, but the program is presented by the College. This is the Academic Angel’s signature event for the year.

5.2 Follow-up Items	5.2 Task of	5.2 Due by

5.3 Leadership Coachella Valley Graduation – June 24

Marge encouraged all of the committee to please make it to this event. Marge to find out when the new students are selected for the program.

5.3 Follow-up Items**5.3 Task of****5.3 Due by**

Determine when new students will be selected for the Learning to Lead program.	Marge Dodge	ASAP
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5.4 June Academic Angels Newsletter Ideas

Most of the current June edition is about Stepping Out for COD, and has too much information. Marge suggested it be scaled down to about 6 pages and not focus so much on the Stepping Out Event, but on what the Academic Angels committee does. Content including the date for the Welcome Back Tea, usually it's early in November. Newsletter can have a review of Stepping Out, review of May 19 luncheon at Bighorn, teaser for the State of the College, and the Learning to Lead program and selection process. Can possibly add what the Academic Angels members are doing over the summer and include photos. Marge will do the interviews for this.

5.4 Follow-up Items**5.4 Task of****5.4 Due by**

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6. Other discussions

There was no other discussion.

7. Adjournment

The Committee Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:47 PM.

Next Meeting: TBD