



## **Foundation Stepping Out for COD Committee Meeting**

### **Minutes for Wednesday, February 01, 2023**

**COD President's Conference Room & Zoom  
43500 Monterey Road  
Palm Desert, CA  
4:00PM**

**Or**

**Via Zoom**

### **Meeting Participants**

#### **Voting Committee Members Present:**

Tom Minder (Co-Chair), Bill Chunowitz (Co-Chair) Rob Moon (Co-Chair),  
Marge Dodge, Diane Rubin, Leslie Usow, Jim Greene, Carol Fragen

**Guests:** Kirstien Renna, Gailya Brown, Liz Chambers, Christine Anderson,  
Jane Saltonstall, Barbara Foster Monachino, Theresa Maggio

**Recorder:** Catherine Abbott

### **Call to Order/Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 4:01 pm.

### **Action Items**

**2.1 Approval of Agenda: Regular Foundation Stepping Up for COD Committee Meeting of February 01, 2023 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).

**Confirmation of Agenda: Approval of Agenda for the Regular Stepping Up for COD Committee Meeting of February 01, 2023 with any addition, correction or deletions.**

The agenda was approved.

### **3. Minutes**

#### **3.1 Approval of regular Foundation Stepping Up for COD Committee Meeting Minutes –**

There were no minutes to approve for the Emergency Meeting.

### **Comments from the Public**

**4.1 Comments from the Public:** In accordance with Assembly Bill 361 and guidance from the California Department of Public Health on gatherings, remote public participation is allowed. Questions will be accepted by email to [codfoundation@collegeofthedesert.edu](mailto:codfoundation@collegeofthedesert.edu) and read into the record during public comment. Persons who wish to speak to the Board on any item not already on the agenda may do so at this time. There is a time limit of three (3) minutes per person and fifteen (15) minutes per topic, unless further time is granted by the Board. This time limit will be doubled for members of the public utilizing a translator to ensure the non-English speaker receives the same opportunity to directly address the Board, unless simultaneous translation equipment is used. Requests should be directed to the Foundation as soon in advance of the Board meeting as possible.

There were no comments from the public received.

### **Discussion and Action Items**

Talent: Tom Minder debriefed the committee about his conversation with Mitch Gershenfeld. Mitch called Tom in the morning to let him know there was a scheduling conflict with The Nelson Brothers and that they were no longer able to perform at Stepping Out for College of the Desert.

The committee discussed alternatives presented to the Foundation about replacement talent. To help offset costs, Harold Matzner offered to provide funding up to \$30,000 in addition to the \$20,000 the Foundation had already budgeted for a performer.

The committee gave direction to staff to work with Mitch to see if there was a possibility of finding a group in a different genre. Rob Moon, Kirstien Renna

and Theresa Maggio agreed to meet with Mitch the following day and will report back to Tom Minder who is the point person disseminating the information to the committee.

<b>Follow-up Items</b>	<b>5.8 Task of</b>	<b>5.8 Due by</b>
Meet with Mitch Gershenfeld to find alternative talent.	Rob Moon, Kirstien Renna and Theresa Maggion	2/2/2023

### **7.Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

**Next Meetings: Tuesday, February 7, 2:30 at pm at the COD President's Conference Room and Zoom.**