



**COD Foundation: Academic Angels Committee
Minutes**

Tuesday, April 11, 2023, at 2:30 PM

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Voting Committee Members:

Marge Dodge (Chair), Norma Castaneda, and Jane Saltonstall

Non-Voting Committee Members:

Shari Stewart, Cynthia Cottrell, Nancy Harris, and Linda Weakly

Foundation Staff:

Catherine Abbott, Liz Chambers, Gailya Brown, Elena Moiseeva (recorder).

Quorum (51%): 2

Subject to Brown Act: Yes

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

1.1 Call to Order

The Chair called meeting to order at 2:32 PM.

1.2 Roll Call

Marge Dodge, Norma Castaneda, Jane Saltonstall.

Non-Voting: Linda Weakly.

Foundation Staff: Catherine Abbott, Gailya Brown.

Absent: Shari Stewart, Cynthia Cottrell.

2. Agenda

2.1 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).

2.2 Confirmation of Agenda: Approval of agenda for the Academic Angels Committee Meeting of April 11, 2023, with any additions, corrections, or deletions.

Agenda stands as presented.

3. Minutes

3.1 Approval of the Academic Angels Committee Meeting Minutes of March 14, 2023.

Confirmation of the minutes as presented.

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 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.

No Public Comments.

5. Action & Discussion Item

5.1 Learning to Lead 2023/24 Roll Out

Marge Dodge to coordinate the workshops with Katie Chartier. Jane mentioned that at Pre-Event for Stepping Out those workshops were great and personalized interaction made difference.

5.2 May 12, 2023, Spring Luncheon

Marge Dodge confirmed that Luncheon will take place at Bighorn and the cost will be \$59 inclusive per person. Committee discussed what could be the right price to charge for this Luncheon taking into consideration the cost: 100 fans - \$30, flower arrangements, around 25 COD branded backpacks for travelling students and some to give as gift in Japan. Decision was taken to offer participation at \$125 per person. Marge reminded there are wines left from President's Circle and proposed to auction them at this event.

5.3 May Monthly Mixer on May 3 at Wildest

Marge Dodge informed that Shari Stewart negotiated the cost of \$35 per person for this event at Wildest.

Linda Weakley asked where the restaurant is located, Marge explained that the address was 72990 El Paseo STE3, Palm Desert CA 92260.

Cathy Abbott informed that she will be away on this day, however Kirstien Renna will join.

5.4 Welcome Back Tea in the Fall 2023

Marge informed that event will most probably take place on October 19, 2023 at 4:30 PM, the venue to be discussed.

6. Adjournment

6.1 Next Meeting: May 9, 2023, 2:30 PM – 3:30 PM

6.2 Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 03:13 PM.