



**Wednesday, February 19, 2025  
Foundation Board of Directors Meeting**

**3:00 - 4:30pm**

**Location: College of the Desert Palm Desert Campus, Cravens Center Multi-Purpose Room**

**Zoom link: [https://collegeofthedesert-edu.zoom.us/my/julimaxwell?](https://collegeofthedesert-edu.zoom.us/julimaxwell?pwd=b0tLbzNRWWWhyL284NHo2MmtnUXE5UT09&omn=89926983480)**

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**Meeting ID:648 245 1590. Passcode: 7394**

**(Guests and Public Comment Only)**

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**COLLEGE OF THE DESERT FOUNDATION MISSION: College of the Desert Foundation acts as advocates for the College and secures financial support enhancing educational opportunities for all students.**

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**COLLEGE OF THE DESERT MISSION: College of the Desert provides excellent educational programs in basic skills, career and technical education, certificate, transfer preparation, associate degrees, noncredit and distance education, which are continuously evaluated and improved. Our programs and services contribute to the success, learning and achievement of our diverse students and the vitality of the Desert Community College District, surrounding areas and beyond.**

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**Persons with disabilities may make a written request for a disability-related modification or accommodation, including for auxiliary aids or services, in order to participate in the Board meeting. Requests should be directed to the Office of the College of the Desert Foundation ("Foundation") as soon in advance of the Board meeting.**

## **1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

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1.1 Roll Call: Barbara Foster Monachino, Barbara Fromm, Bill Chunowitz, Carol Fragen, Christine Anderson, Dale Landon, Diane Rubin, Donna MacMillan, Ed Gubman, Elisabeth Dick, Jaishri Mehta, Jane Saltonstall, Jenell Vandebos, Jim Greene, Joan Lamb, Marge Dodge, Norma Castaneda, Paul Hinkes, Ramraghi Fuller, Rob Moon, Shari Stewart, Tom Minder. NON-VOTING: Val Martinez Garcia, Corbyn Wild, Mary Jane Salchez-Fulton, Juan Falcon

## **2. AGENDA**

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2.1 Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2), the Board 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 Foundation Board of Directors Meeting of February 19, 2025 with any additions, corrections, or deletions.

## **3. MINUTES**

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3.1 Approval of the January 22, 2024 Foundation Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

## **4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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4.1 Public Participation and Public Comment: In person and remote public participation is allowed and will be accepted in person, by email to [codfoundation@collegeofthedesert.edu](mailto:codfoundation@collegeofthedesert.edu) and submitted for the record during public comment or by using the raise your hand function by joining the Zoom link [https://collegeofthedesert-edu.zoom.us/my/julimaxwell?pwd=b0tLbzNRWWWhyL284NHo2MmtnUXE5UT09&omn=89926983480](https://collegeofthedesert-edu.zoom.us/julimaxwell?pwd=b0tLbzNRWWWhyL284NHo2MmtnUXE5UT09&omn=89926983480). 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. Accommodations for Persons with Disabilities: Persons with disabilities may make a written request for a disability-related modification or accommodation, including auxiliary aids or services, in order to participate in the Board meeting. All requests should be directed to the Foundation Office in advance via email to [codfoundation@collegeofthedesert.edu](mailto:codfoundation@collegeofthedesert.edu).

## **5. SPECIAL ACTION ITEM**

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5.1 Election to the Board of Phillip Niblo

## **6. MISSION MOMENT**

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6.1 Update on COD Paramedic Program

## **7. REPORT ITEMS**

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7.1 Board of Trustee Liaison Report - Mary Jane Sanchez

7.2 Acting Interim Superintendent/President Report - Val Martinez Garcia

7.3 Student Representative ASCOD Vice President - Juan Falcon

7.4 Board Chair Report - Diane Rubin

7.5 Executive Director Report - Catherine Abbott

7.6 Directors' Reports (Reports may be submitted by emailing the Foundation at [codfoundation@collegeofthedesert.edu](mailto:codfoundation@collegeofthedesert.edu))

## **8. ACTION ITEMS**

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## **9. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

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9.1 Update on Transition to New Investment Advisor - Kirstien Renna

9.2 First Read - Alvin Schonfeld as a Foundation Board Member

9.3 Foundation Upcoming Events

## **10. ADJOURNMENT**

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10.1 Next Meeting: Board of Directors Regular Meeting on Wednesday, March 26, 2025, at 3:00 PM at Multi-Purpose Room, Cravens Student Services Center

10.2 Adjournment