Monday, February 9, 2026
Foundation Governance Committee

2:00 PM
Location:
Administrative Building, Foundation Conference Room
College of the Desert Campus, Palm Desert, CA
For Emergency and Just Cause Only
Zoom Meeting:
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1. OPENING ITEMS

1.1 Roll Call - Jane Saltonstall Chair), Christine Anderson, Bill Chunowitz, Barbara Foster Monachino, Shari Stewart. Guest: Catherine Abbott, Tom Minder. Recorder: Eve-Marie Dehondt

2. APPROVAL OF 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 2/3 vote of the Committee, or (if less than 2/3 of the members are present, a unanimous vote of those 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.

2.2 Confirmation of Agenda: Approval of agenda for the Foundation Governance Committee meeting February 9, 2026 with any additions, corrections or deletions.

3. MINUTES FOR APPROVAL

3.1 Approval of the Meeting Minutes of January 21, 2026

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

4.1 In person and remote public participation is allowed and will be accepted in person, OR by email to codfoundation@collegeofthedesert.edu and submitted for the record during public comment. 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 meeting. All requests should be directed to the COD Foundation office in advance via email to codfoundation@collegeofthedesert.edu.

5. CLOSED SESSION

5.1 Closed session from 2:00AM to 2:50PM. Closed session shall not extend past the designated time, but should the business considered in closed session require additional time, the Committee shall reserve time to continue discussion.

5.2 Public Employee Appointment (Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)

6. REPORT IN ACTION TAKEN (if any)

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

7.1 Review the updated list of responsibilities of the Governance and Nominating Committee

7.2 Review the Board Self-Evaluation Forms

7.3 Review and update the Executive Organizational Chart

7.4 Plan for the Board orientation event for the new board members who join this year

8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

8.1 Review the process and timeline for presenting and approving new board member nominations and officer slates

9. ADJOURNMENT

9.1 Next meeting is scheduled for April 6, 2026 at 2:00 PM