



**Wednesday, March 18, 2026**  
**Regular Meeting of the COD Foundation Finance and Investment Committee**

**3:00 PM - 4:30 PM**

**Location: Administration Building, President's Conference Room**

**Guest and Public Zoom Meeting:**

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## **1. OPENING ITEMS**

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1.1 Call to Order

1.2 Roll Call - Paul Hinkes, Ed Gubman, Dale Landon, Barbara Fromm, Tom Minder, Joan R. Lamb, Phillip Niblo, Chip West (Non-Voting)

## **2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

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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 Approval of the agenda for the Finance and Investment Committee Meeting of March 18, 2026, including any additions, corrections or deletions.

## **3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

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3.1 Approval of February 11, 2026, Foundation Finance and Investment Committee Meeting Minutes

## **4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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4.1 In person and remote public participation is allowed and will be accepted in person, OR by email to [codfoundation@collegeofthedesert.edu](mailto: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](mailto:codfoundation@collegeofthedesert.edu).

## **5. ACTION ITEMS FOR RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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5.1 2026/27 Proposed Operating Budget

5.2 Board Reserve update and recommendation to increase from current 2% allocation to 3% or 5%

## **6. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

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6.1 June 30, 2025 Functional Expense Allocation Review & Discussion

6.2 President's Circle Criteria – Presentation from Foundation Database Manager

**7. CLOSED SESSION**

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7.1 (Government Code Section 54956.9)

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

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9.1 Adjourn. The next scheduled Finance and Investment Committee Meeting on Monday, April 20, 2026, at 3:30 PM. This meeting will be held immediately following the Ferguson Wellman Portfolio Investment Update scheduled from 2:30 - 3:30pm.