



COLORADO Early Colleges

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Meeting of the Colorado Early Colleges Board of Directors

Friday, April 20, 2018 at 3:30 p.m. - Parker

1. **Call to Order** — the meeting was called to order at 3:45 pm by board Chair, Laura Calhoun. A quorum was established with the following Board Members in attendance:
 - Laura Calhoun — in person
 - Terry McDonald — In person
 - Tom Clark — in person
 - Robin Phillips — in person
 - John Lovell — High Five
 - Board Members not in attendance: Mitch Trevey, Art Cyphers, and Jadie Hager
 - Staff and guests in attendance: Sandi Brown, Michelle Fisher, Jessie Mathis, Attorney Dustin Sparks, Deborah Hendrix, Alex Tuel, Flint Crane, and Jen Rolls
 - Staff (via High Five): Jennifer Daugherty, John Ezzell, and Chris Ghigliotty

Mission Statement

Colorado Early Colleges' mission is to prepare a diverse population of students for life by developing their mind, body and character through rigorous academic studies, and character development activities in cooperation with the community we serve.

Each student, regardless of background or skill level, will have the opportunity to pursue a growth mindset that will allow them to achieve mastery and will demonstrate that they can succeed in high school, in college, and in their chosen career.

No exceptions. No excuses.

2. **Approval of Agenda** —one addition was made to the agenda. Dustin requested that an Executive Agenda be added to the agenda.

Agenda was approved with modifications — Motion made by Terry McDonald and seconded by Tom Clark. All in favor.

3. Correspondence/Board Comments

4. Administration Report

- a. Security Guard and SRO (School Resource Officers) – Dustin Sparks

Dustin presented on what other school districts in Colorado are implementing in regards to hiring Security Guards and SROs.

- b. Concealed Carry – Dustin Sparks

Dustin also presented on the legality of allowing CEC staff to obtain and implement concealed carry protection on campuses. Dustin also invited the Board to consider having an outside, private security expert come speak to the Board on our options and possibly give a Board training on the concealed carry training and implementation plans available to school districts. The board discussed inviting her to speak at a future board meeting, possibly in May or June.

c. Transition Report – Sandi Brown

Sandi - provided a quick update on how the transition is going from Keith to her regarding Administration duties. She said her, Deborah and Keith meet weekly to assess where they are at with the Administrator transition. She mentioned that they have been talking about the Charter School Pool, HUB, insurance options, bond issues, expansion options, bank access, getting updates from Flint on CEC Budget issues, and other CEC processes regarding HR, ESS (IEPs and 504s), IT, Marketing/Branding, and the new hire of the Director of Strategic Philanthropy and Strategic Partnerships, Jennifer Malenky.

d. 2017-2018 Graduation Statistics – Sandi Brown

Sandi - shared graduation statistics for CECFC, and then Alex, Jennifer and John also shared graduation statistics for each of their schools, respectively

- I. Ft. Collins – May 14th – 3pm
- II. Aurora – May 24th - 4pm
- III. Parker – 10am - Colorado Springs – 3pm - May 25th

e. Security Update – CSEC – Michelle Fisher

Michelle - gave a public security update that CSEC was in compliance with new security procedures.

f. Satellite Offices and Expansion – Sandi and Michelle F.

Michelle - gave a short update on all of the current expansion projects, including Westminster, Highlands Ranch, Parker, CSEC (the CTU 200 building option). She also reported back to the board about future expansion possibilities in the Glenwood Springs area.

g. Dungeon & Dragon Club, *Policy JJA Student Organization* – Laura Calhoun

Chris Ghigliotty - presented the Board with a new proposed student club for CECFC - a Dungeons and Dragons Club, proposing Ms. Roberts as the Faculty Sponsor. It was discussed whether or not this should be an official school-endorsed club, or if it should be approved as a Community Group, student-led club, without CEC endorsement. The Board was not prepared to vote on this at present time, decided that it was necessary to follow current policy, and tabled the discussion until more information could be obtained.

5. Election of Board Officers for Vice-President and Treasurer – Laura Calhoun

Laura — brought to attention that Art's term is up for Treasurer this year, and Tom's term as VP is also up. Terry expressed interest in the VP position, but per our policy, it was decided these terms were not officially up until later, so the re-election of these positions (or election of replacements) was tabled until June.

- *Board Member Emails* – George Sandez provided additional information about the new CEC email domain/accounts that CEC has adopted and added — including a new CEC email address for all Board Members.

6. 2017-2018 Financials with Flint

- *Recommend approval of revised 2017-18 Financials.*

- Flint - Asked the Board to approve December and January financials, and went over, in detail, the December, 2017, financials for CECA, CSEC, CECFC and CECP — which have been closed out.

- Tom put forth a motion to revise the old financials and approve the revised new financials for the four CEC schools and the Network for the month of December, 2017. Terry seconded the motion. The Board voted, all in favor, to approve.
- Flint then presented the closed-out financials for the month of January, 2018, for CECA, CSEC, CECFC and CECP.
- Tom put forth another motion to amend the old financials for January and approve the revised financials for January, 2018. Terry seconded the motion. The Board voted, all in favor, to approve.
- Then Flint presented March financials, which were not closed-out, for CECP, CSEC, CECA and CECFC.

7. Approval of Consent Item

- a. Approval of the March Board Meeting Minutes — Terry put forth a motion to approve the March Board Meeting Minutes. Tom seconded this motion, and the Board voted, all in favor, to approve.

8. Public Comments

-Jesse Mathis proposed getting all of the SAC leaders together to have a SAC group conference.

9. Future Meetings of the Governing Board

- a. Board Orientation – June 2nd – Colorado Springs – 9:30am – 3:30pm
- b. May 14, 2018 (9:00am – 11:00am Monday) in Fort Collins
- c. June 15, 2018 - this is a date change, and will be hosted in Colorado Springs
- d. July – No meeting
- e. August 7, 2018 (All Staff Rally – Aurora)
- f. August 17, 2018
- g. September 21, 2018

10. Other Business

- Sandi presented a special request for a student, a Junior, to be allowed to be honored as a Salutatorian.

- Terry put forth a motion to approve an exception to our graduation policy and allow an 11th grader to be a Salutatorian in the 2018 CSEC graduation. Motion was seconded by Tom. The Board voted all in favor for approval.

- Laura put forth a motion to go into Executive Session along with all Heads of School (Sandi, John, Jennifer, Alex) and Josh See and Michelle Fisher pursuant to CRS 24-6-402-4 to conference with CEC's Attorney to discuss a security arrangement, and then also to consult with CEC's Attorney for legal advice. This motion was seconded by Tom, and was approved with an all-in-favor vote.

-The first Executive Session on security arrangements started at 6:32 pm and ended at 6:59 pm

-The second Executive Session for legal advice started at 7:00 pm and ended at 7:22 pm.

Signed, this day, 5/7/18,

Rob G. Phillips, Sec.