



**Copper Mountain College Foundation**  
**Joshua Tree, CA**  
**Minutes of the Regular Meeting, Board of Directors**  
**Room 637**  
**November 26, 2012**

**In attendance:** Karen Coghill, Amy Crowe, Barbara Dunn, Nancy Huntington, Cathy Larson, Liz Meyer, Vala Stults, Chuck Uyeda, Mario Villescas, Pete Wood, Sandy Smith, Diana Morris, Fred Bryant, Stephanie Ince, Dean Pieper, Meredith Plummer, Jane Smith, Roger Wagner

**Not in attendance:** All present

**Honorary Board Members in attendance:** Greg Gilbert

**Guests:** None

**Call to Order:**

President Mario Villescas called the meeting to order at 5:33pm.

**Public Comment:** None

**Agenda Approval:** Motion to approve the agenda: Pete Wood; Seconded: Fred Bryant. Motion passed.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve the minutes of the October 22, 2012 meeting: Liz Meyer; Seconded: Pete Wood. Motion passed. Jane Smith and Fred Bryant abstained.

**Executive Director Report:** Sandy Smith highlighted the \$25K Southern California Edison Grant check received from Jennifer Cusack for tutoring. Jennifer will present a photo opportunity check to Sandy and the college at the Dec. 13, 2012 Board of Trustees' meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Pete Wood recapped the Treasurer's Report enclosed in the Board packet.

**Real Estate Report:** Barbara Dunn reported an offer of \$2600 for the donated Lilac Lane property in Landers. Cathy Larson made a motion to make a counteroffer of \$3000; Seconded: Vala Stults. Motion passed.

**CMC Superintendent/President's Report:** Dr. Wagner reporting the following:

- Traffic light on Rotary Way finally installed!
- Accreditation Self Study is ongoing.
- Roger and two Trustees attended the annual League Conference in Los Angeles and found some of the break-out sessions useful.
- CMC is in the final stages of re-funding Measure C Bonds, which will save taxpayers' money.
- Possible cancellation of summer session 2013 will be on the Board of Trustees agenda in December.

### **Information and Discussion Items:**

- a. President Mario Villegas administered the oath of office to Amy Crowe, ASCMC Representative.
- b. Institutional Researcher hours: Dr. Wagner expressed the need to increase the Institutional Researcher hours from 20 to 30 hours per week, noting that a written request will be submitted.
- c. Golf Tournament 2013: Mario Villegas announced that the tournament has been moved from April 13 to May 4, 2013 in order to avoid conflict. Sandy will draft a sponsorship letter.
- d. Fall Dinner recap: Vala Stults reported that the fall dinner was successful, with over \$10K in pledges and donations for the Student Activity Center. Cathy Larson volunteered to chair next year's Fall Dinner.
- e. Wreath Auction recap: The event was the most successful Wreath Auction to date with over \$11,500 in net profit. Selling raffle tickets for one of the donated wreaths proved to be a hit.
- f. Presidents' Circle Holiday Reception in the Bell Center foyer Dec. 17, 2012 will be held immediately following the Board meeting. J.B. Carrol will be made an Honorary Board Member for Life.
- g. Student Activity Center Campaign update: Dr. Wagner will make a presentation at the MUSD Administrators monthly meeting on Dec. 4, 2012. Mario Villegas and Meredith Plummer will host a presentation at the home of Karen Provost in the near future.
- h. The CMCF Fundraising Policy is on the December 13, 2012 CMC Board of Trustees' agenda.

### **Action Items:**

- a. Executive Committee recommendation to approve Childcare Center lease: No lease due to internal issues with the Living School. No action taken.
- b. Direction to accept the Finance Committee recommendation to move forward on mineral rights allegedly willed to CMC Foundation from Aileen Benkert: Direction by consensus. Owen Gillick has agreed to help with the research.

Motion to approve Finance Committee recommendation to honor previous commitments to Greenleaf Scholars who meet the criteria to fund tuition, fees, and books for Master's Degree studies. These scholars include, but are not limited to, Samantha Stephens and Geanne Weaver. Motion to approve: Nancy Huntington; Seconded: Chuck Uyeda. Motion passed.

Motion to approve Finance Committee recommendation to resume funding a new Greenleaf Scholar up to a Bachelor's Degree beginning in 2013: Pete Wood; Seconded: Nancy Huntington. Motion passed. Sandy will prepare a report on the current status of all Greenleaf Scholars for the Board.

### **Next Meeting Discussion or Possible Action Items:**

Childcare Center  
Institutional Researcher  
Greenleaf Scholar update  
New Board member—Stephanie Ince

### **Written Reports/Director Comments**

Board Manual Task Force minutes  
Cultural Events Committee minutes  
Executive Committee minutes  
Finance Committee minutes

Fund Development Committee minutes

Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm.

The next meeting will be held December 17, 2012 in Room 637.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Morris, Clerk for the Meeting  
Administrative Assistant II and

Nancy Huntington, Secretary

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