COCONINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DISTRICT Ggoverning BOARD

REGULAR MEETING

SEPTEMBER 16, 2026

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A Regular Meeting of the Coconino Community College District Governing Board was held in person at Coconino Community College, 2800 S. Lone Tree Road, Flagstaff, Arizona 86005. Board Chair Joey Smith called the meeting to order at 5:52 pm.

PRESENT: Mr. Joey Smith, Chair
Mr. Patrick Hurley, Vice Chair
Mr. Eric Eikenberry, Trustee
Ms. Patricia Garcia, Trustee
Dr. Nat White, Trustee

ABSENT: None

Also Present: President Eric Heiser, Ms. Kirsten Mead, Dr. Adriana Flores-Church, Mr. Shane Pablo, Ms. Dianna Sanchez, Dr. Sandra Tarbell, Mr. Tony Williams, Dr. Jami Van Ess, Ms. Cathleen Banier-Goff, Dr. Nolan Begaye, Ms. Kris Harris, Ms. Jennifer Jameson, Ms. Kay Leum, Dr. Mark Maciha, Ms. Sonni Marbury, Ms. Heather Nevius, Mr. Nathan Schott, Mr. Kurt Stull, Mr. Joe Donaldson, Ms. Christy Farley, Ms. Gail Lowe, Mr. Eric Macry, Mr. Shawn Nau, Ms. Phefelia Nez, Mr. Sam Proctor, Ms. Eve Ross, Mr. Joe Wagner, Mr. Brett McQuillan (AEI), Mr. Bryan Bates, Mr. Sat Best, Mr. Paul Breslau, Dr. Marcus Ford, Ms. Dee Hoagland, Mr. Buck Sanford, Mr. Stefan Sommer, Mr. David Spence, and Ms. Jill Stephenson.

The September 16, 2026 document file contains reports, summaries, background materials, and other documents referenced in these minutes.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA
Motion: Vice Chair Hurley moved to approve the agenda as presented.
Second: Trustee Garcia
Vote: Motion carried unanimously (Chair Smith, Vice Chair Hurley, Trustee Eikenberry, Trustee Garcia, and Trustee White voting in favor)

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA
Motion: Vice Chair Hurley moved to approve the consent agenda as presented.
Second: Trustee Garcia
Vote: Motion carried unanimously (Chair Smith, Vice Chair Hurley, Trustee Eikenberry, Trustee Garcia, and Trustee White voting in favor)

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Members of the public addressed the Board regarding Action Item 7.C, Allied Health HVAC as follows:

- **Bryan Bates** encouraged the Board to consider heat pumps for the Allied Health facility and suggested incorporating heat-pump technology into student workforce training and certification opportunities.
- **Stefan Sommer** encouraged the Board to reconsider information presented regarding heat-pump performance and maintenance costs and referenced the use of heat pumps in other local facilities.
- **Buck Sanford** addressed the Board regarding heat-pump performance, long-term costs, and the potential financial and environmental benefits of reconsidering the proposed HVAC system.
- **Paul Breslau** encouraged the Board to consider heat pumps and on-site solar generation as a means of increasing the College's energy independence.
- **Dr. Marcus Ford** addressed the Board regarding the long-term environmental effects of fossil fuel use and encouraged the use of solar energy and alternatives to natural-gas heating.
- **Dee Hoagland** encouraged the Board to consider heat pumps in support of the College's sustainability and stewardship goals and cited energy efficiency, operating costs, and carbon emissions as considerations.
- **Jill Stephenson** encouraged the Board to consider heat pumps and solar energy and discussed the example of the College's sustainability decisions provided to students, employees, and the community.
- **David Spence** addressed the Board from his personal perspective regarding heat-pump technology and encouraged the College to incorporate modern HVAC technologies into its Building and Trades workforce training.
- **Sat Best** encouraged the Board to consider heat pumps in relation to the College's sustainability goals and referenced their use in other cold-climate and local commercial applications.

CCC FOUNDATION UPDATE – Ms. Dianna Sanchez

CCC Foundation Board Chair Sam Proctor and Foundation Board members introduced themselves and shared their connections to and support for the College. Ms. Dianna Sanchez provided an update on the Foundation's upcoming $10 million Building Futures campaign, including campaign priorities, donor-engagement materials, facility naming opportunities, and a video platform allowing scholarship recipients to provide personalized messages of appreciation to donors.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Policy Approval – Chair Smith

i. 27-00 Emeritus Status

The Board considered revisions to the emeritus policy and agreed to remove the word "eligible" before "administrators" and replace "outgoing presidents" with "former presidents."

Motion: Trustee White moved to approve Policy 27-00 with the additional revisions.

Second: Trustee Eikenberry

Vote: Motion carried unanimously (Chair Smith, Vice Chair Hurley, Trustee Eikenberry, Trustee Garcia, and Trustee White voting in favor)

ii. 143-00 Institutional Data Governance

The Board considered new Policy 143-00, Institutional Data Governance, establishing expectations for the responsible management, protection, and use of College data. Trustee Garcia proposed adding "and all applicable laws" to the statement addressing governance and protection of institutional data.

Motion: Trustee Garcia moved to approve Policy 143-00 with the proposed revision.

Second: Vice Chair Hurley

Vote: Motion carried unanimously (Chair Smith, Vice Chair Hurley, Trustee Eikenberry, Trustee Garcia, and Trustee White voting in favor)

B. FY27 President and Administration Goals – President Heiser

President Heiser presented the FY27 President and Administration Goals developed in alignment with the Board priorities established at its June retreat. The goals include measurable benchmarks for evaluating progress, with several College priorities extending across multiple years.

Motion: Trustee Garcia moved to approve the FY27 President and Administration Goals as presented.

Second: Trustee White

Vote: Motion carried unanimously (Chair Smith, Vice Chair Hurley, Trustee Eikenberry, Trustee Garcia, and Trustee White voting in favor)

C. Allied Health HVAC – President Heiser

President Heiser presented three HVAC alternatives for the new Allied Health facility:

- maintaining the existing Central Utility Plant (CUP)
- enhancing the CUP to serve both the existing Lone Tree facility and the new Allied Health facility
- utilizing commercial heat pumps

Comparative information was presented regarding initial construction costs, projected lifecycle and operating costs, energy efficiency, carbon emissions, system reliability, and compatibility with future solar installations.

The Board discussed the alternatives at length, including the College's sustainability goals, fiscal stewardship, long-term operating costs, system performance in Flagstaff's climate, the College's instructional mission, and the potential incorporation of solar energy. The Board clarified that its decision applied only to the Allied Health facility and did not determine the HVAC system for the Fourth Street project.
Motion: Trustee Eikenberry moved to approve Option 1A, the Enhanced Central Utility Plant (CUP), for the Allied Health HVAC system.
Second: Trustee Garcia
Vote: Motion carried unanimously (Chair Smith, Vice Chair Hurley, Trustee Eikenberry, Trustee Garcia, and Trustee White voting in favor)

INFORMATION AND REPORTS

A. Board Reports

i. Arizona Association of Community College Trustees (AACCT) - Trustee Eikenberry

Trustee Eikenberry provided Board members with information from the recent AACCT meeting emphasizing the Board's governance role through policy.

ii. Association of Community College Trustees (ACCT) - Trustee Garcia

Trustee Garcia reported on the upcoming ACCT Leadership Congress and noted that CCC representatives will attend and participate in presentations.

iii. Foundation Board - Trustee White

The Foundation update was provided earlier in the meeting.

iv. The Alliance - Dr. Van Ess

Dr. Van Ess reported that the next Alliance meeting will be held on September 25, 2026 and that Ms. Dianna Sanchez would be attending in her stead.

B. President's Report - President Heiser

i. State and Federal Update

President Heiser provided updates on state revenue projections and the developing state budget outlook. He also reported on federal budget activity, including continuation of federal funding through December and developments affecting federal grant administration.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

The Board requested future consideration of a College sustainability or climate-related policy or statement, as discussed during the preceding Work Session.

ADJOURNMENT

The Regular Meeting adjourned at 8:29 pm.

MINUTES PREPARED BY:

Ms. Cathleen Banier-Goff
Board Recorder

ATTEST and APPROVED:

Mr. Patrick Hurley
Vice Chair/Secretary of the Board

Mr. Joey Smith
Board Chair