COCONINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE
DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD

WORK SESSION

SEPTEMBER 16, 2026

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A Work Session of the Coconino Community College District Governing Board was held in person at Coconino Community College, 2800 S. Lone Tree Rd., Flagstaff, AZ 86005. Board Chair, Mr. Joey Smith, called the meeting to order at 4:05 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, Dr. Sandra Tarbell, Mr. Tony Williams, Dr. Jami Van Ess, Dr. Nolan Begaye, Dr. Mark Hartley, Ms. Jennifer Jameson, Ms. Kay Leum, Dr. Mark Maciha, Ms. Sonni Marbury, Ms. Heather Nevius, Mr. Nathan Schott, Mr. Kurt Stull, 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 documents file contains reports, summaries, background materials, and other documents referenced in these minutes.

1. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS

A. NAU Lease - President Heiser

President Heiser provided an update on proposed revisions to the College's long-term land lease with Northern Arizona University (NAU), including changes to accommodate the new roundabout, adjust property boundaries, and renew the lease for an additional 99 years. The revised lease is nearing completion following legal review.

B. Library Lease/IGA - President Heiser

President Heiser reported that the City of Flagstaff has been notified to vacate its current Fourth Street Campus library space in preparation for construction and is expected to relocate by the end of the calendar year. The College and City are developing a new lease and IGA addressing the City's future occupancy, financial

responsibilities, and tenant improvements in approximately 15,000 square feet of the redeveloped campus. The Board discussed potential lease structures, additional future-use space, and maintaining library services for the Sunnyside community during construction.

C. Construction Updates – President Heiser

President Heiser provided updates on the Allied Health and Fourth Street construction projects, including design progress, budget considerations, anticipated construction timelines, and plans for temporarily relocating affected programs. The Allied Health project has entered the design-development phase, with value engineering underway to address preliminary costs above budget, while Fourth Street construction is anticipated to begin in summer 2027. Dr. Van Ess also reported on preliminary exploration of solar-energy options for the Lone Tree Campus and new facilities, including potential costs, energy savings, available incentives, and funding considerations.

D. Policy Review – Chair Smith

i. **103-00 Non-Discrimination**
Non-substantive revision to include language referring to a "fair and welcoming work and educational environment."

ii. **104-00 Americans with Disability Act (ADA)**
Non-substantive grammatical correction to include a comma for clarification.

iii. **106-00 Drug and Alcohol-Free Workplace**
No revisions.

iv. **107-00 Smoking**
Non-substantive revision to address electronic cigarettes/vaping and compliance with state law rather than specifying a distance.

The Board requested future consideration of a College sustainability or climate-related policy or statement.

ADJOURNMENT: The Work Session adjourned at 5:07 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