

**MENDOCINO-LAKE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

A special meeting of the Mendocino-Lake Community College District Board of Trustees was convened on Wednesday, October 9, 2019 at Mendocino College, 1000 Hensley Creek Road, Ukiah, CA.

GENERAL MATTERS

Call to Order Trustee Pinoli, Board President, called the meeting to order at 2:30 PM.

<i>Board Members</i>	President	Robert Jason Pinoli	present
	Vice President	Marie L. Myers	present
	Clerk	Ed Nickerman	present
	Trustee	John Tomkins	present
	Trustee	Xochilt Martinez	absent
	Trustee	TeMashio Anderson	arrived at 3:00 pm
	Student Trustee	Aidan Lagorio	absent
	Trustee	vacant	

Secretary Eileen Cichocki, Interim Superintendent/President

Support Staff Mary Lamb, Executive Assistant to the Superintendent/President

Staff Representatives Debra Polak, Vice President of Academic Affairs (present)
 Ulises Velasco, Vice President of Student Services (present)
 Nicole Marin, Director of Human Resources (absent)

<i>Constituent Representatives</i>	Academic Senate	Catherine Indermill, President (absent)
	Classified Senate	Jeana Thompson, President (absent)
	Management/Supervisory/ Confidential	Judith Kanavle, President (absent)

Agenda Approval M/S (Nickerman/Myers) to approve the agenda as presented. The matter was approved via the following vote:

Ayes	Pinoli, Myers, Tomkins, and Nickerman
Noes	None
Abstentions	None
Absent	Martinez and Anderson

Public Comments • There were no comments from the members of the public.

Introductions Self-introductions were completed by the Foundation Board of Directors members present and the college Board of Trustees members present.

*How Trustees and
Directors Can Help
the College and the* The board members and foundation directors reviewed the draft copy of the document presented and commented on the items included in the document. Tom Dow, Foundation Board Vice President stated he would like to include a

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#20 which would be “collaborate on the primary needs of the college”. He added the focus of the Foundation can be better addressed as they understand the various needs of the institution going forward.

Trustee Myers recommended the Foundation contact the Ukiah High School Alumni program regarding getting their group involved with the Foundation.

Trustee Tomkins added he liked what Foundation Director Dow said regarding focusing on specific needs of the college and its students instead of just offering scholarships.

Foundation Director Chaney added that there are often many other student needs such as books, housing, etc.

Director Epstein asked questions regarding the Promise Program which were addressed by Interim Superintendent/President Cichocki and Vice President Velasco. Interim Superintendent/President Cichocki also informed the group about the Foundation’s support for a monument sign. The Foundation approved \$100,000 to be used for the sign at their meeting on October 8, 2019.

Foundation Director Chaney also mentioned the recent donation from Adventist Health Ukiah Valley in support of the college’s nursing program.

Foundation Board President Hardin added that during their discussion at the Foundation meeting yesterday, it was determined that a survey may be of help to identify students who may be interested in attending Mendocino College.

Trustee Pinoli also added that the number one goal of the college is to take care of all of our students.

Foundation Executive Director Fairbairn asked if the Board of Trustees sees an unmet need. Trustee Pinoli mentioned the number of housing insecure students as well as the need to fund the HEP program. He also stated he feels there is so much more we can be doing.

Trustee Pinoli asked for some further information about the adopt-a-fifth grader program and how it is designed. Director Fairbairn answered his questions regarding the program.

Trustee Pinoli asked the members present about whether the group would like to continue having these joint meetings. Both groups agreed they would like to continue the meetings on a semi-annual basis.

Foundation Director Chaney also thanked the college for completing the process to replace the open position in the Foundation office.

Adjournment

With agenda business concluded, Board President Pinoli declared the meeting adjourned 3:20 PM.

Submitted by:

Eileen Cichocki, Interim Superintendent/President
Secretary, Board of Trustees