



# FOUNDATION

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Zoom Conference Call

Thursday, January 16, 2025, 9:00 a.m.

### Meeting Minutes

Present: Anthony Ferry                      Isaiah Henry                      Jim Leach  
Mark Schwartz                      Dr. Elliot Stern                      Elizabeth McCann, staff  
Emily Cramer, staff

Absent:

Guests:

- Meeting called to order at 9:02 a.m.
- Attendance taken and quorum achieved.
- Consent Agenda
  - November 14, 2024, Meeting Minutes approved.
  - Gifts Received (12/1/24-12/31/24) approved.
  - Foundation Audit 2023-2024 approved.Motion made by Jim Leach and seconded by Dr. Elliot Stern; motion approved.
- Board Development – Jim Leach
  - Will get together in first quarter with Liz to schedule meeting.
- Finance Committee Update – Anthony Ferry
  - Currently not much change.
  - Waiting to see how the market reacts to the new administration changes.
- President's Report – Dr. Elliot Stern
  - In response to the LA fires devastation:
    - Has asked ASG to adopt a sister college in the affected areas to support.
    - ASG is handling donations to one of the colleges.
  - New Board of Trustees, Lisa Bartlett has been sworn in.
    - Lisa Bartlett, as an Orange County Board of Supervisor, made a couple hundred-thousand-dollar donation to Saddleback College for the emergency relief fund.
  - New Women's flag football program will be starting in spring.
  - Hired a faculty member to set up a brand-new surgical tech program.
  - Campus construction
    - Facilities is wrapping up the quad upgrade construction.
    - Math & Science Building construction continues.
    - ATEP is completing construction.
    - Basic Needs is relocating to the SSC Building with an expanded thrift shop and food pantry for students with unmet needs.

- A new cabinet member, Rodrigo Garcia, is taking over for retired Cory Wathen. The new Vice President of Administrative Services is head of all fiscal budget, head of all facilities as well as supervising and support our police force.
  - Rodrigo Garcia was Vice President of Administrative Services at College of the Desert and before that the Vice President of Administrative Services at Fullerton College. He comes in with a wealth of experience.
- Foundation Executive Director’s Report – Elizabeth McCann
  - We have a very busy spring ahead of us.
  - Putting together our first Impact Report, which will be distributed across campus.
  - February 12<sup>th</sup> through 14<sup>th</sup> will be our giving days. Giving days coincides with our Founding Day on February 14<sup>th</sup>.
  - March 2<sup>nd</sup>, we have our Table 4 Ten event at the same location as last year.
  - RX3 charity flag football happens on March 13<sup>th</sup>.
  - In April we are planning on hosting a President’s Circle event, which will be a sneak peak of the new ATEP facilities.
  - In May we have the scholarship reception.
  - In June we will be planning our first employee fundraising event.
  - Women’s flag football is in mid-season. It is a spring exhibition sport with a half dozen games in the stadium.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:18 a.m.

**NEXT MEETING: THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2025, AT 4:00 P.M.**