

**College of the Siskiyous
Foundation Board of Directors Regular Meeting
Minutes of Tuesday, August 12, 2025
Weed Campus Board Room**

Board Members Present:

Marie Green
John Adamson
Denise Manion
Madeleine Ayres

Suzie Clark
Char Perlas
Dawn Slabaugh

Noelle Collier
Kathy Koon
Melissa Ericsson

Board Members Excused:

Amy Lanier
Ronda Gubetta

Denny Sbarbaro
Emily Moser

Board Members Unexcused:

Staff Present:

Deanne Chapman

Angel Keen

Guests:

Item 1: **Call to Order, Attendance, and Introduction of Guests**
Meeting called to order at 5:36 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA ACTION ITEMS

Item 2: **Committee Reports**

a) **Executive and Board Governance**

- Cradle to Careers for Siskiyou (C2C4S) / K16 Collaborative Quarterly Update – Regina Hanna was not present but provided a written report. Highlights included the Klamath River Study Raft Trip, SiskiyouWorks update, and the GSK Science Programming.
- Investment Due Diligence Committee Quarterly Update – Ms. Slabaugh shared with the Board that Foundation Investments are holding steady with a combined account balance of \$4,644,902 for the 2nd quarter.

b) **Enterprise Operations - The Eagle's Nest** – Ms. Keen reported that the Eagles Nest Shop has hired three new student workers. The Eagles Nest Shop is still seeking 3-4 additional student workers. The Fall Meet and Greet is scheduled for September 22nd. The Winter Extravaganza will take place on Tuesday, November 11.

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c) Scholarship

- Finish Line Scholarship & Emergency Aid Grants for Students – Ms. Slabaugh reported that a \$125,000 grant has been received for 2025-2026. New requirements make eligibility more selective, with an emphasis on STEM students and those on track to graduate in spring of 2026. An additional \$25,000 is designated for emergency aid grants.
- Foundation Scholarships (2025/2026) – Ms. Slabaugh reported all recipients have been notified and are required to submit proof of registration prior to receiving their award for the fall.

d) Donor Development & Fundraising Activities

- Foundation Accomplishments 2024/2025: The Board reviewed accomplishments for 2024-2025.
- Upcoming Events – Summer/Fall 2025:
 - Summer Flea Market (Co-Sponsored w/Weed Chamber) – August 23, 8am to 3pm
 - Student Housing Ground-Breaking Event – October 10, 2pm – All board members should plan to attend.
 - Scholarship Fundraising Dinner & Auction – October 11, 5:30 to 10pm – All board members were provided 8 tickets to sell or purchase.
 - North State Giving Tuesday – December 2 – (Online giving event)
 - Holiday Craft Fair – December 5-6 – Registration materials will become available in September.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Item 3: Approval of Meeting Minutes – June 10, 2025

The Board reviewed meeting minutes from June 10, 2025.

Item 4: Treasurer's Report – Review of Foundation Financial Reports

The Board reviewed the Foundation Financial Reports for the period July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025.

Item 5: Date of Upcoming Regular Foundation Board Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Foundation Board of Directors will be **Tuesday, October 14, 2025** beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the **Yreka Campus**.

Item 6: Upcoming Campus Events and Activities:

The board reviewed upcoming campus events and activities.

- Fall Semester Begins – August 18
- Back to School BBQ – August 18, 11am to 1pm
- Labor Day Holiday / Campus Closed – September 1
- Student Housing Groundbreaking Event – October 10, 2pm
- Dedication of the John Mazzei Baseball Field – October 10, TBA
- Eagle Football / 1985 Team 40th Anniversary Celebration – October 11, Kickoff at 1pm

Motion was made (Ayers/Koon) to approve consent agenda. Motion passed.

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Item 7: **New and/or Unfinished Business**
None.

NON-ACTION ITEMS / REPORTS

Item 8: **College / Campus Update**
Dr. Perlas provided a report on college activities. Highlights from her reports:

- There is a 10% enrollment increase for 2025/2026.
- The Area 1 Trustee interviews will be held at the August 19th Board of Trustees meeting.
- The new Student Housing Project received approval from the Division of the State Architect. Additionally, Chancellor Christian is expected to attend the Student Housing Groundbreaking Ceremony on Friday, October 10.

Item 9: **Adjournment**
The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 p.m.