

Meeting Minutes

Chandler Cultural Foundation

Regular Meeting

February 27, 2025 | 5:30 p.m.
Chandler Museum, Saguaro Room
300 S. Chandler Village Dr., Chandler, AZ



Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Julia Marreel at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Member Attendance

Julia Marreel, Chair
Sherida McMullan, Treasurer
Erika Castro, Secretary
Candy Yu
Chris McMullan
David Woodruff
Ellie Watland
Jeanne Forbis
Jennifer Sanchez
Jyoti Pathak
Mari Jo Woolf-Whitaker
Mike Halle
Peppur Chambers

Staff Attendance

Michelle Mac Lennan, President
Terri Rettig, Vice President
Sandra Bassett
Lindsay Bernardez
Marta Werbanowska
Tracey Wyatt

Guests

Bill Blake, AMS Planning & Research
Denise Brice-Walker
Jane Bjornstad
Lori Rasmussen
Laura Schairer

Absent

LaTricia Woods, Vice-Chair
Eddie Baldenegro

Scheduled and Unscheduled Public Appearances

None.

Consent Agenda

1. January Chandler Cultural Foundation Board Meeting Minutes
 - PEPPUR CHAMBERS made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 23, 2025, Board Meeting. Mary Jo Woolf-Whitaker seconded the motion.
 - The motion carried unanimously 10-0. The minutes were approved as written.

Action Agenda

2. Approve Event Budgets
 - TERRI RETTIG proposed eight events for the 2025-2026 season: Dorrance Dance, Ashley McBryde, 38 Special, Menopause The Musical: The Sequel, NYE Celebration – All About Broadway, Shrek: The Musical, Doo Wop Project, Cirque Kikasse.
 - Ellie Watland made a motion to approve the event budgets. David Woodruff seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously 13-0.
3. Approve Fundraising Policy
 - MICHELLE MAC LENNAN presented an update on the CCF Fundraising Policy, highlighting the recommended changes and key points. The CCF Fundraising Policy outlines guidelines to support sustainable revenue generation and donor engagement for the Chandler Center for the Arts.
 - Jeanne Forbes made a motion to approve the letter. Erika Castro seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously 13-0.
4. Approve Membership Policy
 - MICHELLE MAC LENNAN presented an update on the CCF Membership Policy, highlighting the recommended changes and key points. The CCF Membership Policy establishes guidelines to enhance member engagement, retention, and benefits, supporting the long-term growth of the Chandler Center for the Arts community.
 - Jeanne Forbes made a motion to approve the letter. Mary Jo Woolf-Whitaker seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously 13-0.
5. Recommend CCF Appointments
 - SHERIDA MCMULLAN presented a list of recommended candidates for CCF appointments, proposing four individuals for the mayor's consideration.
 - David Woodruff made a motion to approve the CCF appointments.
 - Ellie Watland seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously 13-0.

Briefing

6. AMS Planning & Research Presentation

- BILL BLAKE from AMS Planning and Research presented the results of the Arts Facilities Needs Assessment, providing an overview of key findings related to facility usage, community needs, and opportunities for growth. He provided a project update and shared draft recommendations, including the development of an Arts and Education facility and enhancements to the existing building. The presentation was reviewed with the City Manager and the CUSD Superintendent, with the next steps focusing on revising the IGA.

Friends Announcements

Denise Brice-Walker announced there were 19 events since last board meeting that equated to 1200.00 volunteer hours. There are 340 volunteers. There are 146 total active volunteer which includes 14 new volunteers.

Member Comments/Announcements

Calendar

12. The next board meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, March 27, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.**, at the Chandler Museum, Saguaro Room, 300 S. Chandler Village Drive.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.



Julia Marreel, Chair



Michelle Mac Lennan, Staff Liaison