

Meeting Minutes

Chandler Cultural Foundation

Regular Meeting

August 28, 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 LaTricia Woods at 5:35 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Member Attendance

LaTricia Woods, Vice-Chair
Erika Castro, Secretary
Sherida McMulla, Treasurer
Candy Yu
Christopher McMullan
Ellie Watland
Eric Piepenbrink
Kim McCarthy
Jyoti Pathak
Mike Halle
Peppur Chambers

Staff Attendance

Michelle Mac Lennan
Terri Rettig
Lindsay Bernardez
Marta Werbanowska
Rosemary Soto

Guests

Barbara Meyerson
Jody Cargo
Lori Rasmussen
Peggy Indrelunas
Timothy Russell

Absent

Julia Marreel, Chair
David Woodruff
Eddie Baldenegro
Jennifer Sanchez

Scheduled and Unscheduled Public Appearances

None.

Consent Agenda

1. June 26, 2025, Chandler Cultural Foundation Board Meeting Minutes
 - PEPPUR CHAMBERS made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 26, 2025, Board Meeting. Kim McCarthy seconded the motion.
 - The motion carried unanimously 11-0. The minutes were approved as written.

Action Agenda

2. Appoint Board Development Committee Chair
 - LATRICIA WOODS announced that the Board Development Committee has recommended the appointment of Erika Castro as Board Development Committee Chair.
 - Sherida McMullan made a motion to approve the Board Development Chair appointment. Ellie Watland seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously 11-0.
3. Approve Special Events Committee Member
 - LATRICIA WOODS presented the appointment of Dr. Timothy Russell as a new community member of the Special Events Committee.
 - Ellie Watland made a motion to approve the community member appointment. Sherida McMullan seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously 11-0.
4. Approve Event Budgets
 - TERRI RETTIG proposed two add-on events for the 2025-2026 season: Scotty McCreery and Pat Metheny w/ Sideye Plus.
 - Erika Castro made a motion to approve the event budgets. Peppur Chambers seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously 11-0.

Briefing

5. Chandler Museum Foundation
 - JODY CRAGO AND BARBARA MEYERSON provided an update and presentation on the Chandler Museum's history and upcoming programs, including the *Discover Your Museum* event on Saturday, October 4. The event will feature food, music, and a silent auction celebrating the museum.

6. CCF Annual Meeting/ Retreat

- TERRI RETTIG provided a recap of the August 8, 2025, meeting, which outlined plans for the 2026 renovation closure and leadership transition, emphasizing timelines, preparation, and strategies to ensure organizational continuity.

7. Board Development Committee Report

- ERIKA CASTRO reported that the annual Board Survey will be distributed soon and emphasized the importance of achieving 100% participation. Generally, the survey is sent in October and is designed for the entire Board to gain insight into demographics, engagement, and future opportunities.

8. Special Events Committee Report

- ELLIE WATLAND provided an update on the upcoming Center Stage fundraising event, emphasizing the importance of engaging attendees and encouraging timely ticket purchases. She urged Board members to support the event through donations and contributions to the mystery box, with suggested item values of \$100, \$150, and \$300. Contributions will continue to be tracked to help ensure a successful event.

9. Marketing/Public Relations Report

- MARTA WERBANOWSKA presented an update on current campaigns, upcoming events, and media outreach, highlighting strategies to increase community engagement and visibility. She also shared recent campaign results to inform future efforts.

10. Profit & Loss Report

- TERRI RETTIG reviewed the Profit & Loss for the Wynton Marsalis Louis Live event, noting a minor loss, and emphasized that the overall 2024–2025 season concluded with a profit.
- A detailed report is included in the packet

Friends Announcements

Peggy Indrelunas announced there were 20 events since the last board meeting that equated to 1052.00 volunteer hours. There are 185 volunteers including 9 new members. There are 154 total active volunteers.

Member Comments/Announcements

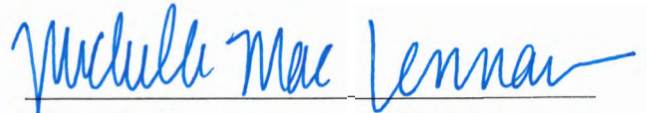
Calendar

12. The next board meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, September 25, at 5:30 p.m.**, at the Chandler Museum, Saguaro Room, 300 S. Chandler Village Drive.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:49 p.m.


LaTricia Woods, Vice-Chair


Michelle Mac Lennan, Staff Liaison