

TRUSTEES OF COLORADO MESA UNIVERSITY
MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
1100 North Ave, Grand Junction, CO
Center for Teaching and Learning, Colorado Mesa University
October 24, 2025

The University President provided general informational updates to Trustees during the publicly noticed breakfast held prior to the regular meeting. Discussion was informational only; no decisions or formal Board actions were taken.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fry called the meeting to order at 10:11am

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Chair Fry; Trustees Buck, Iwaniczko MacLeod, Reiff, Ramos, Davis, Moreno, Sekharan, Griffin, Dukes, Foster; Faculty Trustee Dr. Stacie Schriener; and Student Trustee Lindsey Schultz were in attendance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Trustee Ramos motioned to approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting August 22, 2025. Trustee Griffin seconded the motion for approval. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

REPORTS

CHAIR: Chair Fry highlighted recent board engagement with several external groups, including the Boettcher Foundation, CiviCO, Metro Mayors, and legislators. He acknowledged and thanked trustees for their participation in the CTN/CDHE Trustee Convening and provided an update from the Housing Working Group.

PRESIDENT: President Marshall introduced the Human Scale University Champion Award for October 2025, which was presented to Amber D'Ambrosio in recognition of her work on the CMU Century Book, documentary and her significant contribution to the CMU Library.

Continuing his report, President Marshall provided an update on the CMU Leadership Team's quarterly EOS meeting, including quarterly rock completion and upcoming quarterly priorities. He also highlighted recent board engagement with the RMAC Presidents Council and Athletic Directors and emphasized the university's continued work around civil discourse and free expression.

FACULTY TRUSTEE: Dr. Stacie Schreiner provided a report highlighting the submission and review of proposals for the Faculty Professional Development Fund. She outlined the committee's review and funding recommendation process. Dr. Schreiner continued with an overview of the Faculty Senate's ongoing work surveying faculty and prioritizing both financially impacted and non-financial priorities.

STUDENT TRUSTEE: Lindsey Schultz discussed efforts to promote Homecoming events across campus, highlighting the Downtown Block Party and the strong student excitement surrounding the event. She also noted the recent Mesa Experience and the positive feedback received from

prospective students and their families. Student Trustee Schultz reflected on student feedback regarding free speech and civil discourse.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Fry asked for consideration of the items on the consent agenda:

1. Personnel

Trustee Buck motioned for approval and Trustee Griffin seconded. The consent agenda item was approved unanimously.

REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

FINANCIAL DASHBOARD: Michelle Quinn, Vice President for Finance and Administration presented the Fall 2025 Financial Dashboard.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Michelle Quinn, Vice President for Finance and Administration presented the Treasurer's Report.

PROGRAM ALIGNMENT DASHBOARD & HANDBOOK AND STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE: Jeremy Hawkins, Acting Provost, provided an overview of proposed changes to the Professional Personnel Employee Handbook and described the collaborative work completed over the past two years in coordination with CMU faculty.

Trustee Iwaniczko MacLeod motioned to approve and accept the changes proposed to sections III and VI of the Professional Personnel Employee Handbook and Trustee Dukes seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

Dr. Hawkins continued his report with updates on each pillar of the 2023–2027 strategic plan, including survey results, enrollment, NPS and other data. The report concluded with a discussion of program alignment with workforce, regional, national and other needs.

CAMPUS PROJECTS UPDATE: Kent Marsh, Vice President for Capital Planning presented information on current and recently completed campus projects.

A working lunch was held during which leadership provided Trustees with data and context to inform the strategic direction discussion to follow.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION: Chair Tim Fry led a strategic direction session, focusing on high-level strategy and long-term planning. Discussion covered mission and identity alignment, vision and growth, financial strategy, programming and student experience priorities. The session concluded with a summary of consensus points and areas for further discussion.

OTHER BUSINESS

Trustee Iwaniczko MacLeod provided an update on trustee engagement opportunities for Homecoming and the CMU Century Project.

ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Ramos motioned to adjourn. Trustee Iwaniczko MacLeod seconded. Chair Fry adjourned the meeting at 3:54pm.

