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The mission of the Mendocino College Foundation is to educate leaders, foster intellectual growth and enrich lives by creating opportunities to invest in a better future for our students and communities.

MENDOCINO COLLEGE FOUNDATION, INC.
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

A regular meeting of the Mendocino College Foundation, Inc. Board of Directors convened on Wednesday, February 4, 2026, at Mendocino College, Ukiah Campus – LLRC 4210, 1000 Hensley Creek Road, Ukiah, CA 95482 and via Zoom.

GENERAL MATTERS	**Agenda Item**				
Call to Order	**1**	President Rader called the meeting to order at 12:01 pm.			
Members Present	**1.1**	Tina Rader, President	Present	Ramon Jimenez	Absent
		Donald Coursey, Vice President	Present	Todd McMahon	Present
		Timothy Karas, Secretary/Treasurer	Present	Stephanie Swain	Present
		Channing Cornell	Absent	JJ Lopez, Student Representative	Present (@ 12:32pm)
		Michelle Goodman	Absent		
Staff Present	**1.1**	Julie McGovern, Foundation Executive Director Eliza Grider, Development Coordinator Diana Gray, Administrative Assistant II			
College Staff Present	**1.1**	Joe Atherton, Director of Fiscal Services (@ 12:32pm)			
Guests Present	**1.1**	None.			
Public Comment	**2**	No public comment.			
APPROVAL OF AGENDA & MINUTES	**3**				
Approval of Agenda & Minutes	**3.1 & 3.2**	**M/S/C** (McMahon/Karas). To approve the agenda as presented for February 4, 2026, and to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on December 3, 2025. The matter passed 6-0.			
CLOSED SESSION	**4**				
Real Property – Pursuant to Government Code 54956.8	**4.1**	The vote on item 4.1.1 for Real Property – Pursuant to Government Code 54956.8 was unanimously approved by the Foundation Board of Directors for the property at 276 East Clay Street, Ukiah CA (APN 002-231-24-00).			

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STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS	**5**	
Finance Workgroup	**5.1.1**	**Investment Portfolio.** Schwab reports ending on December 31, 2025, were included and reviewed for information.
	5.1.2	**25/26 Donations Summary.** An up-to-date donations summary report for 25/26 was provided for information.
	5.1.3	**26/27 Budget Preparation.** Foundation Staff is working with the Director of Fiscal Services, Joe Atherton, to begin the budget preparation for the 26/27 academic year.
Scholarship Committee	**5.2.1**	**Scholarship Reviewer – Workshop Dates.** Foundation Staff offered to have a communal meeting time to review scholarship applications. The Foundation Board of Directors reflected that they have the ability to review on their own and do not have the need for a specific workshop time to complete their review.
		Scholarship Outreach & Workshops. Foundation Staff has been in outreaching to both Lake & Mendocino County High Schools to present on scholarships as well as work one on one with students on their scholarship applications.
		Scholarship Mixer – May 13, 2026. The Foundation will be holding a Scholarship Mixer to honor the 26/27 MCF Scholarship Recipients. The mixer will take place in the courtyard of the CVPA building on the Ukiah Campus on May 13th with the time TBD.
AD HOC COMMITTEE REPORTS	**6**	
Land Committee	**6.1**	**No Report.**
Special Events Committee	**6.2**	**No Report.**
Governance Committee	**6.3**	**No Report.**
DISCUSSION/ACTION	**7**	
Recommendation to approve New Board of Director	**7.1**	**M/S/C (Coursey/McMahon)** To approve new Foundation Board of Director, Jean Lincoln as presented. The matter passed 6-0.
2026 Meeting Dates	**7.2**	**M/S/C (Karas/Swain)** To approve the amended 2026 meeting dates as presented. The matter passed 6-0.

Committee Vacancies	**7.3**	Foundation Executive Director, Julie McGovern, reviewed the Committee/Affiliate vacancies list and encouraged the Board of Directors to join committees as chairs or to become an affiliate liaison.
"Making the Ask"	**7.4**	Foundation Executive Director, Julie McGovern shared the goals that were created in the "Making the Ask" workshop in October 2025. Foundation Board of Directors shared success stories of how conversations can lead to donations.
REPORTS FOR INFORMATION	**8**	
Mendocino College Superintendent/President	**8.1**	**College Update.** Mendocino Colle is hosting FFA from all the local high schools today. Spring enrollment is strong and it exceeds last year's numbers. The district is reporting this week, but in preliminary review this looks as though this may be the greatest spring yet. The demolition permit for the Perkins Street property has been reviewed and approved unanimously by the Ukiah City Council. Anticipating the demolition of the building to be demolished by late March/early April.
Foundation President	**8.2**	Foundation Board President, Tina Rader gave a gentle reminder to the Directors to do their annual contributions. Any amount helps!
Foundation Staff	**8.3.1**	**AAFG Program.** AAFG Alumni postcard will be going out by the end of February. Donor Annual Thank You was sent out in December requesting renewal of their AAFG adoptions.
	8.3.2	**KZYX – Mendocino College Radio Hour.** The January KZYX Mendocino College Radio Hour featured Lori Thomas, Mendocino College Faculty of Ethnic Studies, to talk class offerings specifically her Elementary Pomo class offered at Mendocino College. The February KZYX Mendocino College Radio Hour featured Christopher Dewey from Mendocino College as the Public Safety Coordinator to talk about class offerings under the public safety sector.
	8.3.3	**City Council Demolition Approval.** Reviewed under Mendocino College Superintendent/President college update report.
	8.3.4	**College Day Events.** Foundation Staff will participate in "College Day" at the Lake Center on March 6th and the North County Center on April 23rd from 10:00am-12:00pm. This event will replicate the "College Day" on the Coast back in October.

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	8.3.5	**Charitable Contribution Letters 2025.** Foundation Staff has sent out Charitable Contribution Letters for the year 2025.
	8.3.6	**GUBTA State of the Community Summits.** Katrina Kesson, Greater Ukiah Business and Tourism Alliance Executive Director invited Julie McGovern to be a speaker in the lightening Leadership Round at the GUBTA State of the Community Summits on Thursday, February 26, 2026.
	8.3.7	**MCAB Baseball Appreciation Dinner.** Flyer attached for information.
	8.3.8	**NCFMC Chamber Mixer.** Flyer attached for information.
	8.3.9	**Coastal Development Report by Jason Morse.** Report attached for information.
	8.3.10	**Student Director Report by JJ Lopez.** ASMC President, JJ Lopez, reported out to the Foundation Board of Directors that the Associated Students of Mendocino College are making strong efforts in outreaching to all students via events such as club tabling, attending sports events, walking maois, and conferences across the state to advocate for Mendocino College students' voices.
Directors Reports	**8.4**	**No Report.**
AFFILIATE REPORTS	**8.5**	
	8.5.1	**Friends of the Mendocino College Coastal Field Station and Natural Sciences (FMCCFSNS).** No Report.
	8.5.2	**Lake County Friends of Mendocino College (LCFMC).** Report attached for information.
	8.5.3	**Friends of Mendocino College Coast Center (FMCCC).** No Report.
	8.5.4	**Friends of the Mendocino College Theatre (FMCT).** Reported handed out for information.
	8.5.5	**Friends of Mendocino College Culinary Arts Program (FMCCAP).** No Report.
	8.5.6	**Friends of Mendocino College Recording Arts & Technology (FMCRAT).** Report attached for information.
	8.5.7	**Friends of the Mendocino College Gallery (FMCG).** Report attached for information.

	8.5.8	**Friends of the Mendocino College Nursing Program (FMCNP).** No Report.
	8.5.9	**Mendocino College Athletic Boosters (MCAB).** No Report.
	8.5.10	**North County Friends of Mendocino College (NCFMC).** No Report.
	8.5.11	**Friends of Mendocino College Agriculture (FMCA).** No Report.
	8.5.12	**Friends of Mendocino College Veterans and Dependents (FMCVD).** No Report.
	8.5.13	**Friends of Mendocino College Music Program (FMCMP).** Report handed out for information.
FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS	**9**	
ADJOURNMENT	**10**	The meeting of the Board of Directors of Mendocino College Foundation, Inc. adjourned at 1:30 pm by Foundation President Rader. Submitted by: Eliza Grider, Development Coordinator, Mendocino College Foundation, Inc.