

**Denver College Success Corporation Board Meeting May 9, 2019**  
**1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.**  
**Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce – Board Room**

**Welcome**

Board members introduced themselves and provided an overview of their career and background to what brings them to the board.

**Call to Order –**

**Board Present** – Akasha Absher, John Kechriotis, Mark Goodman, Theresa Peña, Angela Cobian, Stephen Kurtz, Councilman Chris Herndon

**Absent – none**

**Denver College Success Fund Overview**

Dionne Williams from the Office of Children's Affairs provided an overview of the role the City plays in supporting the startup of the new board. Dionne also discussed the ordinance expectations and board terms.

Charles Dukes from the Office of Children's Affairs reviewed the draft timeline provided by the non-profit organizations that convened before the implementation of the Denver College Success Corporation Board.

**Action Items:**

Seating of New Cabinet Positions

Peña nominated Kurtz as Board Chair, John seconded

Cobian requested for Kurtz to provide a background regarding Kurtz's interest in serving as the Board Chair Board unanimously approved

Kurtz nominated Peña as Board Vice Chair, Kechriotis seconded

Peña provided a background regarding her interest in serving as the Vice Chair Board unanimously approved

Kechriotis nominated Goodman as Board Treasurer. Absher seconded Board unanimously approved

Absher recommended Cobian as Board Secretary, Kechriotis seconded Board unanimously approved

### **Meeting Dates, Times and, Locations :**

Absher recommended sending a Google survey to find a date and time that works best for the group Kurtz noted the importance of the work may require the Board to meet weekly for the next two months. The date and time of the upcoming meeting will be based on the responses from the Google survey

### **Information and Discussion Items:**

Dukes and Williams provided the Board with an overview of the resources provided by the Transitions Board. Dukes and Williams noted that the materials are examples and models for the Board to use not the final documents required for the Board to adopt formally.

Goodman asked if the Board is under the same rule other Boards are under regarding public meetings. Kechriotis added by asking about the connection to the open records status and legal expectations.

Herndon noted that the Board is under both public meeting and open record expectation and provided details regarding the statute.

Williams agrees that the Board is under the same public meeting expectations.

Absher asked about the term limits and if the Board can appoint new Board members after the limits expire or if Board member resigns from the seat.

Williams noted that the Mayor appoints the members of the Board. However, the Board can provide a list of recommended candidates for the Mayor's review if desired.

Goodman noted the importance of the Board to be thoughtful regarding meeting spaces and potential office space for the new organization due to the limited amount of funds that can be used for administrative cost.

Kechriotis agreed and added the importance of having meetings at public locations.

Peña stated that the Denver Preschool Program and the Daniels Fund have available meeting spaces.

Absher and Cobian both noted they could help find meeting locations at their respective organizations if needed.

Cobian recommended that she should resign being the Board secretary due to increased responsibilities at her work Kechriotis made a motion for the Board to approved Cobian's resignation

Peña Seconded

Board unanimously approved

Cobian nominated Absher as the new Board secretary. Kechriotis seconded Board unanimously approved

Kurtz noted that for the sake of time, the Board should complete the Google Survey for a meeting next week, and during the meeting, the Board can finalize the meeting dates and time.

Herndon noted the importance for the Board to review the potential list of priorities and determine which priorities they feel comfortable addressing.

Kurtz noted that the next meeting should be a half day retreat/working meeting to review the priorities and create a short-term business plan.

Kurtz motioned to adjourn Kechriotis seconded

Board unanimously approved Upcoming Priorities- Dionne

**Other Items: none**

**Public Comment:** Theresa Ivancovich (DEAN)

**Adjourn- 3:00 p.m.**