

APPROVED MINUTES

COCHISE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD SPECIAL MEETING

Tuesday, June 9, 2026

Special Meeting

4:00 p.m.

Members of the public who wished to attend the meeting via video conference joined at <https://cochise.zoom.us/j/94614577877>.

1. GENERAL FUNCTIONS

1.01 Call to Order

Mr. Hudgins called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM

Board Members Present:

Mr. David DiPeso – Virtually
Mr. Mark Farr - Virtually
Mr. Don Hudgins
Mr. Steve Leeder
Ms. Stephanie Money

2. NEW BUSINESS

2.01 Adoption of Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget, Including Approval of the FY 2026-2027 Workforce Development (Proposition 301) Plan

Prior to consideration of budget adoption, Dr. Perey provided an overview of the FY 2026-2027 budget. He noted in addition to A.R.S. §15-1461 that the proposed budget was published in the *Sierra Vista Herald*, the district's newspaper of record, on May 24, 2026, and June 3, 2026.

Dr. Perey reviewed the budget development process, budget calendar, and statutory requirements. Highlights included:

- Schedule A reflected estimated total personal compensation of \$41,972,213 and a tax levy of \$28,889,316.
- Schedule B outlined the for 2027 General Fund budget of \$56,329,988, as well as restricted fund starting out at \$10,388,839, addition to funds that include Prop 207 and Rual aid.
- The total 2027 budget was presented at \$97,428,101, representing an approximate 3.5% increase over the prior year.
- Budget Summary:
 - Conservative Projections include revenue, enrollment projections, State budget, property tax revenues and expenses.
 - Addresses employee compensation and benefits, increasing costs, facility improvements/deferred maintenance , and contingency planning.
 - Provides for contingencies, growth/shrinkage, and opportunities.
- Dr. Perey reported that the proposed FY 2026–2027 budget provided funding for Workforce Development Plan 301, employee compensation adjustments and position changes, ongoing college initiatives, strategic planning efforts, facilities improvements, and fund balance.

Mr. Hudgins noted that Trustees Mark Farr and David DePeso were participating telephonically and listening to the proceedings.

Mr. Leeder moved, and Ms. Money seconded a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget, which includes approval of the FY27 compensation plan for Cochise College employees, and approval of the FY 2026-2027 Workforce Development (Proposition 301) Plan. With no further discussion the Governing Board unanimously approved with all members voting aye with a roll call vote:

- David DiPeso - aye
- Mark Farr – aye
- Steve Leeder – aye
- Stephanie Money – aye
- Don Hudgins – aye

MOTION CARRIED.

3. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hudgins adjourned the meeting at 4:07 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kia Mullins, Executive Assistant Office of the President

Ms. Stephanie Money, Secretary of the Governing Board