Cal Poly Humboldt FOUNDATION

Minutes of the
PHILANTHROPY & ADVOCACY COMMITTEE
February 27, 2026

Members Present:
John Ballard
Michelle Donahue
Steve Karp
Charlene Liebau
Jack McGurk
Dan Phillips
Teresa Wilmott

Members Absent:
Philip Anton
Mike Fisher
Jordan Kemme

Guests: Ana Davis, Jorie Emory, Kevin Furtado, Sabrina Graham-Martinez, Stephanie Lane, Stacie Lyans, Angie Petroske, Jamie Rich, Guido Setton, and Travis Williams

A regular meeting of the Cal Poly Humboldt Foundation Philanthropy & Advocacy Committee was held on Friday, February 27, 2026 at 11:00 AM via Zoom Teleconference.

1. Call to Order / Land Acknowledgement / Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by Philanthropy & Advocacy Committee Chair, John Ballard, at 11:04 AM.

2. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

3. Approve Minutes from the November 14, 2025 Meeting

Upon motion duly made (Charlene Liebau), seconded (Jack McGurk), and unanimously carried, it was:

RESOLVED, that the Minutes of the November 14, 2025 meeting are accepted.

4. Gift Summary Report

Teresa Wilmott, Associate Vice President for Development, reviewed the fiscal year-to-date giving totals noting that pre-campaign gifts will count toward campaign totals and that Advancement has set the following goals:

- planned gifts being 30% of total giving
- minimum of 5,000 individual donors
- minimum $12 million in gifts raised.

5. Subcommittee Reports

John Ballard provided a recap of the Needs Assessment Subcommittee meeting and mentioned that a preparatory meeting was held for the Fundraising & Strategy Subcommittee, but the actual meeting was canceled due to the need for the Needs Assessment Committee to progress further before work gets started in this area.

6. Campaign Priorities

A discussion was held regarding brainstorming potential campaign priorities and a spreadsheet to capture ideas was created and shared.

7. Other Business

Teresa Wilmott, AVP Development, introduced to the committee Jorie Emory, recently hired Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations.

9. Adjournment

Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 11:37 AM.