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**The University Foundation at Sacramento State
Board of Directors Meeting**

February 17, 2026

CapRadio Live

Members Present:

Alice Perez, *Board Chair*
Fred Baldini
Bernice Bass de Martinez, *Chair, Governance*
Colette Harris-Mathews
Lance Hastings, *SSAA Representative*
Rose McAuliffe
Sue McGinty, *Board Secretary*
Ryan Murphy, *Board Vice Chair*
Michael Reza, *Executive Officer*
Ajay Singh
Tina Treis, *Chair, Audit (via Zoom)*
Vanessa Guerra
Lora Anguay
Christine Ault
David Bugatto

Members Absent:

Scott Syphax
Pam Stewart
Holly Tiche
Luke Wood, *President*
Ajanjot Kaur, *Student Rep*
Garry Maisel, *Chair, Finance*

Guests:

Sonia Diwa, *Accounting Services*
Matt Ward, *VP Strategic Enrollment Mgmt.*
Sharise Harrison, *AVP of Advancement Services*
Jennifer Barber, *AVP of Alumni Relations*
Mike Izzi, *Senior Associate Director of Athletic
Development*

Advancement Staff:

Tatiana Azad
Terance Dass
Paul Villaluz
Renee Siden

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order
 - a. Chair Alice Perez called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.
 - b. There were no public comments
 - c. The agenda for the February, 17th 2026 meeting was approved, no abstentions.
 - i. Motion: David Bugatto
 - ii. Second: Sue McGinty
 - iii. Motion passed

- d. The Board approved the consent calendar, consisting of the following item:
 - i. October 10th, 2025 board meeting minutes
 1. Motion: Bugatto
 2. Second: Ryan Murphy
 3. Motion passed
2. Engagement Model Presentation (Lori Redfearn, The Phoenix Philanthropy Group)
3. Alumni Association Update (Jennifer Barber)
 - a. Barber gave an update of SSAA activities
4. Presidents Update (Kristen Tudor on behalf of President Wood)
 - a. Tudor shared updates from the colleges/academics
5. Advancement Update (Michael Reza)
 - a. Reza introduced Michael Izzi, Senior Associate Director of Athletic Development
 - b. In the process of hiring four new Advancement staff members to fill vacancies and working with search firm to expedite process
 - c. Update on \$50M investment from META to support Downtown Campus Project
 - d. Update on Wilton Rancheria and Sky River Casino partnership and \$7.5M support for athletics and Wileety Native American College
 - e. Give Sac State Day is coming up on March 4 and 5
6. Student Update (Reza on behalf of Aranjot Kaur)
 - a. ASI launched “Empower with Power” free self-defense classes
 - b. ASI will award six \$500 grants to student innovators in partnership with the Carlsen Center
 - c. Give Sac State Day – ASI will propose a challenge to match the University’s investment dedicated to Basic Needs support
 - d. ASI will host a Cultural Fest in collaboration with the Cultural Academic Resource Centers (CARCs)
7. Enrollment Update (Matt Ward, VP, Strategic Enrollment Management)
 - a. Ward gave an update on enrollment numbers and trends
8. Committee Reports
 - a. Finance Committee Update (David Bugatto on behalf of Garry Maisel)
 - i. Approval of financials
 1. A motion was made to approve the financial statements presented to the board. (Financial Statements as of 12/31/25, Budget to Actual as of 12/31/25, and UFSS Q4 2025 Portfolio Review)
 - a. Motion: Fred Baldini
 - b. Second: McGinty
 - c. Motion passed

- b. Governance Committee Update (Bernice Bass de Martinez)
 - i. Board Vacancy Update
 - 1. The Governance Committee recommended five people to go through the process of being vetted by President Wood and interviews with committee members.
 - 2. The committee will have names to present to the Board at the next Board meeting.
 - ii. Review and Approval of Board Expectations
 - 1. A motion was made that Board members are expected to attend all Board meetings. It is expected that those members within the greater Sacramento area will attend in person, except due to unexpected circumstances (related to employment, family, illness). The following is provided for Board members living outside of the greater Sacramento area (when travel is not feasible) as well as those Board members experiencing unexpected circumstances.
 - a. The option of virtual attendance will be offered
 - b. Notice of virtual attendance must be verified at least one week before the scheduled meeting
 - c. The option of virtual attendance does not absolve Board members of fiduciary responsibilities and/or board member obligations
 - d. All Board members (regardless of location) are expected to attend the annual Board retreat in person
 - i. Motion: Bass de Martinez
 - ii. Second: Ryan Murphy
 - iii. Motion passed
- c. Audit Committee Update (Tina Treis)
 - i. Sarah Hintz, from CLA, reviewed the first twelve pages of the Form 990
 - ii. A motion was made to approve the Form 990
 - 1. Motion: Colette Harris-Mathews
 - 2. Second: McGinty
 - 3. Motion passed
 - iii. The Audit Committee reviewed their list of to dos from the Board Retreat
 - 1. They will be reviewing their committee charter
 - 2. Three meetings will be scheduled before the fiscal year end
- d. Executive Committee Update (Perez)
 - i. Perez reviewed the UFSS Dashboard

- ii. Perez reviewed the goals established at the Board Retreat held in October 2025
 - 1. A motion was made to add an Ad Hoc Committee to create a Communications Plan
 - a. Motion: Murphy
 - b. Second: Bass de Martinez
 - 2. The following Board members volunteered to be on this Ad Hoc Committee:
 - a. Christine Ault
 - b. Lance Hastings
 - c. Colette Harris-Mathews
 - d. Alice Perez
 - e. Michael Reza appointed Tracie Popma, Senior Information and Engagement Strategist for University Advancement, to participate on this committee
- 9. CapRadio Live Update (Frank Maranzino)
 - a. Frank reviewed features of the space with the Board
- 10. Athletic Update (Mark Orr, Director of Athletics)
 - a. Orr updated the Board on the move to the FBS for football
 - b. Orr introduced Coach Carter who shared his story with the Board
- 11. Other Business - None
- 12. Meeting adjourned at 4:39 p.m. (Baldini/McGinty)

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