

PRESIDENT'S CABINET MEETING
July 7, 2026
MINUTES

CALLED TO ORDER

9:07 am

ADJOURNED

11:24 am

MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Austin, Kevin Ball, Dr. Mychal Coleman, Dr. Jamelle Conner, Joe Bill Sherrod, Denese Skinner, Dr. Frank Sobey

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mark White

OTHERS PRESENT

Ally Greenwood, Executive Assistant, recorder

DISCUSSION:

1. REQUISITION REVIEW	CONNER
Dr. Conner shared the list of requisitions for 06/01-07/03. Mr. Sherrod requested to hold off on one item that needs to go through the AC Foundation. The others were approved.	
Action Items:	

2. BUDGET DISCUSSION	CONNER
Dr. Conner engaged in budget discussions with the Cabinet. She discussed progress towards the five-million-dollar goal to the bottom line and steps towards balancing the budget for fiscal year 26/27.	
Action Items: - Dr. Sobey will connect with Ms. Jeanette Nelson on academic affairs numbers. - Mr. Austin will talk to Ms. Cynthia Terry and Mr. Jim Baca on the facilities capital equipment requests. - Dr. Sobey will set up a time with Mr. Ramon Suarez to discuss academic affairs items. - Dr. Conner will let Ms. Jeanette Nelson know about the discussed adjustments.	

3. GROUNDSKEEPER POSITION REQUEST	AUSTIN
Mr. Austin requested approval to post immediately for a groundskeeper. This position has been open since March.	
Ms. Skinner moved to approve the groundkeeper position request. Mr. Ball seconded. The motion passed unanimously.	
Action Items:	

4. STRATEGIC PLAN	CONNER
Dr. Conner discussed that any updates to the strategic plan need to be finalized by the 21 st . Ms. Skinner reported that the Cabinet is meeting as a group with Mr. Witherspoon.	
Action Items:	
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5. ARC MACKENZIE SCOTT REQUEST	AUSTIN
Mr. Austin presented a proposal for Cabinet's consideration to utilize MacKenzie Scott funds to establish a \$2 million emergency aid endowment to support the ARC. This endowment would create a permanent, non-fragmented source of emergency aid, ensuring that AC's commitment to student support remains secure in perpetuity. The core pillars of the endowment would be for emergency aid for housing and utility support, medical and dental expenses, and critical transportation needs, as well as to support the food pantry to combat food insecurity through sustainable operations at five campus pantry locations, deliver food and hygiene stock, and integrate nutrition support.	
While the endowment provides the permanent foundation with an annual \$85,000 yield, the AC Advancement Office has committed to fundraising \$65,000 annually to ensure that the ARC operates at full capacity and covers the total annual requirement need of \$150,000.	
Dr. Sobey moved for Cabinet support for the request. Mr. Ball seconded. The motion passed unanimously.	
Dr. Conner will bring this to the Foundation Board in October for possible approval.	
Action Items:	
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6. STRATEGIC INITIATIVES REQUEST	SOBEY
Ms. Skinner requested approval for two replacement positions, to start after the wait period:	
• One full time Cyber Security Learning and Technology Specialist • One full time Grant Specialist	
Mr. Austin moved to approval the position requests. Mr. Ball seconded. The motion passed unanimously.	
Action Items:	
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7. OTHER DISCUSSION	
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