



Foundation

Board of Directors

Strategic Planning Retreat | Session 1

Meeting Minutes

Facilitator: George Boodrookas, Ed.D., Philanthropia Consulting

Date: Thursday, January 22, 2026

Time: 12:30–3:30 p.m.

Location: Room 2711, Dr. Frank R. Martinez Building
San Luis Obispo Campus

No formal action was taken at this meeting.

1. Call to Order

The Strategic Planning Retreat – Session 1 was called to order at 12:45 p.m.

2. Public Comment

An opportunity was provided for members of the public to address the Board on matters within the Board's subject-matter jurisdiction. No public comment was received.

3. Executive Remarks

A. Foundation Board President

Craig Darnell, Foundation Board President, provided opening remarks.

B. Superintendent/President

Dr. Jill Stearns, Superintendent/President, provided remarks to the Board.

4. Benchmarking Community College Foundations and Cuesta College Foundation Survey Results

Time: 12:45–1:30 p.m.

Type: Informational item

Benchmarking data on community college foundations and results from the Cuesta College Foundation survey were presented and reviewed.

No action was taken.

5. Practical Vision Workshop

Time: 1:30–2:30 p.m.

Type: Discussion item

Board members participated in a facilitated discussion focused on developing a practical vision to guide the Foundation's strategic planning efforts.

No action was taken.

6. Underlying Contradictions Workshop

Time: 2:30–3:30 p.m.

Type: Discussion item

Board members engaged in a facilitated workshop to identify and discuss underlying contradictions impacting the Foundation's strategic direction.

No action was taken.

7. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.