



**Board Members Present:**

Rebecca Smith, Committee Chair  
Patrick “Pat” Cowart, Chairman of the Board  
Dan Minella, Member  
Reinier Santana, Member

**Ex-Officio Present:**

Danita Simons, Executive Director, CSN Foundation

**Advisor Present:**

Tina Rossum, Associate General Counsel, CSN  
Acting as Legal Counsel for CSN Foundation

**I. Welcome, Call to Order and Roll Call**

Rebecca Smith, Committee Chair, called the CSN Foundation Governance Committee Meeting to order at 8:01am on Wednesday, July 31, 2024. Danita Simons, Executive Director (ED), performed roll call.

**II. Public Comment**

No public comment.

**III. Board of Trustees Membership**

Rebecca Smith, Committee Chair, provided an update on the following:

- There are no Governance Committee Meeting minutes to approve during this meeting, as the April 10, 2024, committee minutes were approved during the CSN Foundation Board of Trustees Board meeting held on May 8, 2024.
- Rebecca Smith asked for suggested industry representation regarding upcoming development and fundraising needs, and board membership for consideration to serve on the CSN Foundation Board of Trustees. Industry suggestions included Aviation, Public Safety, Fire, Police, First Responders, Military, CSN Advisory Board Members, Automotive Dealerships, Mines or Mining Industry, Hospitals and the Medical Industry, and Allegiant Stadium. Please send any names and industry ideas to Danita to compile and research.

**IV. Executive Director Report**

Danita Simons, Executive Director, provided an update on the following:

- The Strategic Plan is in the final development stage and will be ready for review at the next CSN Foundation Board of Trustees Board Meeting scheduled on September 18, 2024, for review, revisions, and approval.



- Developing business cards and name badges for the Board of Trustees who are interested. This will be helpful when we attend public events.
- Danita Simons, Executive Director, presented a request for approval to authorize the Executive Director to coordinate campus tours of CSN Programs as it relates to potential industry partnerships for board membership and scholarship opportunities. Motion by Pat Cowart to approve and seconded by Dan Minella. All approved and motion carried.

**VIII. New Business**

No new business.

**IX. Public Comment**

No public comment.

**X. Adjournment**

Approval to adjourn the Governance Committee Meeting on July 31, 2024, Rebecca Smith moved to adjourn, and Dan Minell seconded. All were in favor and motion carried. Rebecca Smith, Committee Chair, adjourned the Governance Committee Meeting at 8:20am on Wednesday, July 31, 2024.

**Next Governance Committee Meeting  
will be held on: Wednesday, October 23, 2024  
Remotely, via Microsoft TEAMS and Phone Dial-In.**

Minutes submitted by Danita Simons, Executive Director, CSN Foundation