

National Western Center Authority Board Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting:	March 20, 2025	Time:	9:00 am – 10:10 am
Minutes Prepared by:	Alexi Palazzari	Location:	Hybrid Meeting via Zoom and In Person
Meeting Description			
National Western Center Authority Board Meeting			
Authority Board Member Attendance at Meeting			
Name	Present	Absent	Notes
John Ikard		X	
Steven McCarthy	In person		
Robb Brown	In person		
Diedra Garcia	In person		
Kelly Leid	In person		
Sandra Ruiz	In person		
Tony Frank	Zoom		
Bill Mosher	Zoom		
Doug Jones	In person		
Paul Andrews	Zoom		
Ernest House		X	
Caroline Acha	Zoom		
Nicole Doheny*		X	
Other attendees including members of the public are as recorded registration for the meeting. Guests: Mark Williams, Jocelyn Hittle, Mike Bouchard			



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Topic	Owner	Time
Call to Order		
Quorum Meeting was called to order by Steve McCarthy, Chair. Quorum present.	Steve McCarthy	9:02 am
Board Business/Action Items		
A Motion was made by Director Kelly Leid and seconded by Doug Jones to approve the Minutes for February 20, 2025. Motion approved.	Steve McCarthy	9:03 am
Chairman Update		
Chairman Steve McCarthy welcomed the NWC Authority new interim CFO, Mitzi Kissel.	Steve McCarthy	9:04 am
CEO Update		
Facilities Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equestrian Center/Hotel (in exec. Session) • Cell tower • DAS system • Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) • BESS signage • CUP North parking structure Community Outreach <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We Don't Waste/Wee Cycle 1st Successful Event • 204 individual households, including 582 adults, 29 seniors, and 403 children • 406 Free Community Tickets have been given out in 2025 • 80216 Small Business Directory • Partnering with businesses on ways to share and expand • CAC monthly meetings increased engagement in 2025 - Combining EQC Taskforce • Farmbox partnering with Huerta Urbana on workforce development and food resources Upcoming events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Touch a Truck by Denver Police Department – 4/5/25 Swansea Rec Center (NWC Sponsor) • Mother's Day Event/Mother Earth – 5/10/25 Food, Activation, Education and Engagement • Riverfront Markets June/July/August <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Free Campus Day on 2nd Saturdays to align with CSU SPUR • CAC Community Dinner - September 	Brad Buchanan	9:05 am



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<p>Procurements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ticketing - finalizing agreements • Non-Alcoholic Pouring Rights – closed • Security – issuance in Q2 • Parking – issuance in 2025 		
Partner Reports		
<p>NWCO Update provided during the board meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Livestock Center ○ Riverfront Open Space Public Art ○ GES Program of Projects • Procurement update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pedestrian Bridge • The Triangle – Future Phases of the Campus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Planning effort update • Vibrant Denver Bond <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Public event on March 20th at 5:45pm ○ A survey link will be provided to the Board of Directors to provide input on usages of the Bond. 	Mike Bouchard	9:17 am
<p>CSU: Update provided as part of the board packet. CSU had a successful DSST Art Show and looks forward to hosting more mission focused events.</p>	Jocelyn Hittle	9:38 am
<p>WSSA: Update provided as part of the board packet with no additional information shared during the board meeting.</p>	Paul Andrews	9:39 am
<p>COMMUNITY UPDATE: Update provided during the board meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No update from Sandra. • Tortillas for Tepeyac save the date: 11 am – 1pm on May 21st at the Denver Art Museum 	Sandra Ruiz & Caroline Acha	9:40 am
Committee Reports		
<p>Finance & Audit Updated provided in board packet. A Motion was made by Director Doug Jones and seconded by Director Dr. Tony Frank for the Board of Directors to accept 2024 Audit of Financial Statements. Motion Approved.</p>	Mitzi Kissel	9:43 am
<p>Campus Services & Partnerships No meeting this month, no report provided. A Motion for the Board to approve Brad Buchanan to sign the Ticketing agreements is expected in April.</p>	Jessica Koenig	9:47 am



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Community Benefits No meeting this month, no report provided.	Lori Laurita	9:48 am
Public Comment		
No public comment.	Steve McCarthy	9:49 am
Executive Session		
A Motion was made by Director Robb Brown and seconded by Director Doug Jones to enter Executive Session. Motion Approved.	Steve McCarthy	9:50 am
A Motion was made by Director Robb Brown and seconded by Director Doug Jones to exit Executive Session. Motion Approved.	Steve McCarthy	10:04 am
Adjourn		
There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting.	Steve McCarthy	10:10 am

Next Board of Directors Meeting					
Date:	April 17, 2025	Time:	9:00 a.m.	Location:	Hybrid via Zoom * NWCA offices

Submitted by: Alexi Palazzari

Approved by: Board of Directors Date:

