

# BOARD MEETING Saturday, April 20, 2024 9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Pacific Time Meeting Minutes

Attended: Allison Aldrich P'24, Carmen Amaya P'25, Kavitta Bedi P'24, Tracey Breazeale P'24 P'24 P'27, Annette Brisett P'25, Zahira Dadul P'26, Danielle Eason P'27, Lori Fujimoto P'24 P'28, Kristan Goldfein P'24, Marsi Gorman P'24, Linda Herr P'26, Anne Jablonski P'27, Dahlia Jabro P'26, Leta Kalfas P'26, Susan Kim P'25, Arti Kumar P'27, Bobby Lee P'24, Robin Lee P'24, Annette Messemer P'25, Ester Oben Etah P'27, Lillian Oliveri P'26, Susana Pardo P'25, Mika Patel P'27, Cecilia Son P'25, Lauren Sundstrom P'25

Absent: Jay Bhatt P'21 P'24 P'26, Sudhir Goel P'20 P'24, Jeff Hausman '90 P'27, Steve Kapner P'22, Amy Mehlman P'21 P'25, Kristin Merk P'24, Julie Punishill P'24, Marisol Rivera Thurman P'24, Lisa Therron P'24, Lisa Thomas P'25

Staff: Michelle Chamberlain, DT Graves '98, Rebecca Pelén, Jeannie Scalmanini

Guests: Steven Aldrich P'24, Eric Fujimoto '93 P'24 P'28

#### Welcome and Introductions

Ms. Allison Aldrich called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

#### **Approval of Minutes February 18, 2024**

Ms. Aldrich asked for a motion to approved the meeting minutes of the February board meeting. Ms. Lori Fujimoto moved to approve and Ms. Robin Lee seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

#### Nominating Committee Vote

Ms. Tracey Breazeale, chair of the nominating committee presented the 2024-2025 slate of officers for the board's approval.

The slate was as follows:

President: Dahlia Jabro P'26 Programs, Vice Presidents: Ceclia Son P'25, Mika Patel P'27 Parents Fund, Vice Presidents: Lori Fujimoto P'24 P'28, Danielle Eason P'27 Communications, Vice Presidents: Carmen Amaya P'25, Arti Kumar P'27 Career Development, Vice Presidents: Annette Brissett P'25, Lisa Thomas P'25, Jeff Hausman '90 P'27, Anne Jablonski P'27 Nominating Committee Vice-Chair: Tracey Breazeale P'24 P'24 P'27 Admission Liaison, Co-Chairs: Linda Herr P'26, Lauren Sundstrom P'25, Annette Messemer P'25

Ms. Leta Kalfas moved to approve the slate and Ms. Susan Kim seconded the motion. The slate of officers was unanimously approved.

### **Campus Update**

Ms. Michelle Chamberlain provided an update on the campus and the progress of the Robert Day Sciences Center, which plans to open its doors in 2025. The next phase of the campus master plan is to create the Sports Bowl, which will house all the athletic fields and teams for Claremont-Mudd-Scripps. This construction will occur in two phases. Beginning this summer, the plot of land on the corner of Claremont Blvd. and Arrow Route will be filled in and leveled. The hope is for CMS Baseball and Softball to begin their Spring 2026 seasons in new fields. Ms. Chamberlain also commented on the graduating class of 2024. About 50% of the class has identified their next step, which is either a full time job or entering into graduate school. For those who are not yet sure what their next step is, the Soll Center for Student Opportunity will

continue to provide support even after graduation. Additionally, juniors, sophomores, and firsts-years are utilizing the Sponsored Internships and Experiences programs and many have found internships around the world. Finally, the Commencement ceremonies are scheduled for Saturday, May 11 on Parents Field, where the community will celebrate the Class of 2024.

## Mental Health@CMC

Ms. DT Graves '98 provided valuable information regarding mental health on campus. A couple of years ago, the Dean of Students office (DOS) conducted a study to understand the drivers of mental health at CMC. Their study revelaed that the drivers focused on three themes: community (feelings of belonging), purpose (performance and achievement), and play (relaxation and fun). These themes regularly present themselves throughout a student's journey. In the last twelve months, 36% of students have received mental health care (up from 29.1% in 2019). Ms. Graves explained that the increase in percentages was perhaps due to the increased availability of mental health services and the increase in awareness.

The DOS staff meets weekly to discuss any students of concern. During these sessions, the staff discusses students who might need extra care and they determine next steps (personalized internventions, counseling). Every member of the DOS staff team is also threat assessment certified throught the National Association for Behavioral Intervention and Threat Assessment (NABITA), which allows them to asses when and which type of care a student needs. Students are able to use three mental health services: TimelyCare, Mounsour Counseling and Psychological Sercives at the Claremont Colleges, and ARC Counseling and Wellness. These services provide care 24 hours a day and are available during the summer and holiday breaks. Ms. Graves also provided information on the proactive work DOS and students organization are doing on campus. The Peer Health Ambassadors is a student organization that provide education to the student body across various health topics and provide advice through their "Stall Street Journal." Other programs include "Club Soda," which provides fun programming and substance free space for students; the CMS wellness programs, which reminds students to maintain a healthy lifestyle; and the Romero Success Coaches, which provides advice for time management, test taking, and stress tolerance.

### Thank You to Outgoing Board Members

Ms. Aldrich took a moment to thank all the outgoing board members for volunteering and giving their time to the Parent Network Board.

#### Adjournment

Ms. Aldrich adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.