
PUBLIC NOTICE
DRI FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Thursday, February 13, 2025
8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

This meeting will be held virtually via Microsoft Teams.

Public Access via Microsoft Teams

Meeting link: <https://bit.ly/4hdbCuZ>

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For further information, please contact Julie Mathews, Director of Operations, Advancement & Foundation at julie.mathews@dri.edu or (775) 673-7358.

AGENDA

Below is an agenda of all items scheduled to be considered. Unless otherwise stated, items may be taken out of the order presented at the discretion of the chair. Two or more items may be combined for consideration. The committee may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time. This agenda incorporates by reference the agendas posted for the following committing meetings. For any items identified in those agendas as a “recommendation” or “action” the DRI Foundation Executive Committee may also take action.

- 1) Call to Order - Kristin McMillan Porter, Board Chair (8:30 am)
- 2) Public Comment *** INFORMATION ONLY
- 3) Welcome - Kristin McMillan Porter, Board Chair (8:34 am; 5 min) INFORMATION ONLY
- 4) Approval of October 17, 2024, Minutes (8:39 am; 1 min) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
- 5) Chair’s Report - Kristin McMillan Porter, Board Chair (8:40; 10 min) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
 - a) New trustee nomination: Clark Wood (for possible action)
 - b) Updated 2025 Slate of Officers and Executive Committee membership (for possible action)
 - c) 100% Board Giving recognition (for information)
 - d) Conflict of Interest disclosure reminder (for information)

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| <p>6) Discussion of 2025 DRIF Focus Areas and Goals – (8:50 am; 20 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Advancement: Working with the Advancement team on defined strategies for relationship building and support including, importantly, a focus on progress towards the \$5 million IRP endowment goal. b) AWE+: Defining and working on key AWE+ deliverables relative to 2024, 2025 and 2026. c) Board: Board development and recruitment. d) Faculty: Enhancing our connection with DRI faculty | FOR DISCUSSION |
| <p>7) President’s Report and Research Highlights - Dr. Kumud Acharya, DRI President and Vic Etyemezian, Vice President for Research (9:10 am; 15 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) DRI updates b) Research highlights - Dr. Vic Etyemezian, VP of Research | INFORMATION ONLY |
| <p>8) Faculty Senate Update - Maureen McCarthy, Faculty Senate Chair (9:25 am; 5 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Faculty Senate Chair McCarthy will provide an update on behalf of the DRI Faculty Senate | INFORMATION ONLY |
| <p>9) Board Development & Engagement Discussion – Beth Campbell, Vice Chair (9:30 am; 35 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) See attachment in board packet | FOR DISCUSSION |
| <p>10) Treasurer’s Update - Lisa Gallagher, DRIF Treasurer (10:05 am; 5 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Review and approval of December 2024 Treasurer’s Report (for possible action) | FOR POSSIBLE ACTION |
| <p>11) Advancement Update - Kristin Burgarello, Director of Advancement and Julie Mathews, Director of Operations, (10:10 am; 10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) FY25 YTD fundraising updates b) Current philanthropic landscape c) Launch of Corporate Partners Program d) 2025 campaigns and initiatives | FOR DISCUSSION |
| <p>12) Desert Research Corporation Update – Janet Lowe, DRC Chair (10:20, 5 min)</p> | FOR INFORMATION |
| <p>13) Faculty Engagement – Bob Gagosian (10:25; 10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) How can the Foundation enhance its engagement with DRI faculty? | FOR DISCUSSION |
| <p>14) Communications & External Affairs Updates - Tracy Bower, Director of External Affairs (10:35 am; 10 min)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) 2025 Nevada Legislative Session updates b) Communications update on AWE+ follow-up c) 2025 Curiosity Lab events | INFORMATION ONLY |

15) New Business**

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16) Public Comment***

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17) Adjourn

**Items for consideration at future meetings may be suggested. Any discussion of an item under "New Business" is limited to a description and clarification of the subject matter of the item, which may include the reasons for the request.

***Public comment will be taken during the beginning and end of each meeting. No action may be taken on a matter raised under public comment until it is included on an agenda as an item on which an action may be taken. Members of the general public may bring matters not appearing on this agenda to the attention of the DRI Foundation Executive/Governance Committee. The DRI Executive/Governance Committee may discuss the matters, but may not act on the matters at this meeting. If the DRI Executive/Governance Committee desires, the matters may be placed on a future agenda for action. The Chair of the DRI Foundation Board of Trustees reserves the right to call on individuals from the audience or to allow for public comment at any time. Time limit: A time limit (three minutes) may be imposed on public testimony by the Chair of the DRI Foundation Board of Trustees in order to afford all members of the public who wish to comment an opportunity to do so within the timeframe available to the DRI Board of Trustees Executive/Governance Committee.

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