



## Maricopa County Community College District Governing Board Agenda March 7, 2019

- vision** *A Community of Colleges—Colleges for the Community—working collectively and responsibly to meet the life-long learning needs of our diverse students and communities.*
- mission** *The Maricopa Community Colleges provide access to higher education for diverse students and communities. We focus on learning through: University Transfer Education, General Education, Developmental Education, Workforce Development, Student Development Services, Continuing Education, Community Education, Civic Responsibility, and Global Engagement.*

### EXECUTIVE SESSION

4:00 p.m.

District Support Services Center | 2411 West 14th Street | Tempe, AZ 85281  
Governing Board Room (M200)—Second Floor

#### CALL TO ORDER

#### APPROVAL TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Discussion or consultation for legal advice with the attorney or attorneys of the public body—  
ARS §38-431.03.A.3—Corzo v MCCCC (2:15-CV-02552-ESW)

#### ADJOURNMENT TO SPECIAL SESSION

### SPECIAL SESSION

Immediately following Executive Session  
Same location

#### CALL TO ORDER

#### ACTION

- 1.0 Approve Proposed Settlement in Corzo v MCCCC (2:15-CV-02552-ESW)

#### ADJOURNMENT

# ACTION ITEM

Governing Board Agenda

Meeting Date: March 7, 2019

<u>Item Number</u>	<u>Item Title</u>	<u>Responsible Agents</u>
1.0	Approve Proposed Settlement in Corzo v MCCCCD (2:15-CV-02552-ESW)	Mr. J. Elliott Hibbs Ms. Leslie K. Cooper

## Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board authorize the Chancellor or her designee to prepare and execute documents necessary to settle claims between Miguel Corzo and the District in *Corzo v. MCCCCD*, in the United States District Court for the District of Arizona, 2:15-CV-02552-PHX-ESW.

The District terminated Mr. Corzo, and he sued on various claims in federal court. The District vigorously defended the lawsuit, and was successful in having a majority of the claims dismissed. The parties entered into mediation on March 1, 2019, and have agreed that the matter will be settled, with a mutual release of claims and payment by the District to Miguel Corzo in the amount of \$222,500 and of \$272,500 to his attorney's firm, Jackson White P.C. for attorneys' fees and costs.

## Justification

With the assistance of outside counsel, and the approval of District Risk Management and its insurer, the District has negotiated an amicable resolution of the matter, subject to approval of the Governing Board. Explanation of the proposed agreement, its background and counsel's recommendation have been provided in an attorney-client privileged communication.

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## Funding

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