

Approved October 8, 2021

*Governors: David Hodson, Chair; Chuck Nelsen, Vice-Chair; Joyce Densmore-Thomas; Michael Franson; Jay Gilbert; Tom Giustina; Tom Martin; Marcia Moore; Dennis Murphy; Christina Nichols; Cathy Pleasant; Marilyn Rees; Darryl Schoen; Dave Scotto; David Heinsen*

*Ex Officio: Gayle Hutchinson, President; Ahmad Boura, Vice President for University Advancement (CEO); Ann Sherman, Vice President for Business and Finance (CFO); Debra Larson, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs*

*Staff: Pam Hollis, Evelyn Buchanan, , Evonnia Dominguez and Wendi Engasser, University Advancement; Vance Kelly, Chico State Enterprises*

*Guests: Mike Guzzi, Associate Vice President of Facilities and Capital Projects*

### MINUTES

Chair Dave Hodson called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

Hodson asked for any changes or corrections to the minutes. There were none. Hodson asked for a motion to approve the February 27, 2021, General Session minutes and May 26, 2021, Executive Committee Minutes. Cathy Pleasant made the first motion. Darryl Schoen seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.

#### **Chair's Report: Dave Hodson**

Vice President Ahmad Boura announced that the FY '21-'22 Governors Awards allocations were approved by a special session of the board and asked for approval from the full board. Joyce Densmore-Thomas moved to approve the awards. Marilyn Rees seconded the motion, and the board voted to approve. Boura said that he will be reaching out to each dean to share the good news about the awards.

#### **President's Report: Gayle Hutchinson**

President Gayle Hutchinson congratulated the advancement team for exceeding the campaign goal.. Hutchinson said the campus repopulation plan is in place with 65% of students returning to campus for at least 1-2 in-person classes by fall semester. Social distancing and masks will still be required on campus. Hutchinson noted that the campus' 9% equity gap was being addressed by placing additional advisors in each college to help students from underrepresented communities. Hutchinson also reported a decline in enrollment and said she is working closely with the enrollment director to fully understand and respond to these trends.

Mike Guzzi made a presentation on the plans for the replacement of Butte Hall , which will focus on

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the University's strategic priorities and enduring commitments. Guzzi shared the some of the amenities included in the renovation, including more classrooms, offices, and an indoor garden. The Butte Hall replacement is scheduled to be complete in fall 2024.

**Board Education: Arnerich Massena**

Brian Shipley and David Janec gave a presentation on inflationary trends and their impact on endowments..

**Development and Advocacy Committee Report: Darryl Schoen**

Schoen encouraged the board to attend the upcoming Alumni & Parent weekend in October, held virtually and in-person this year and commended the Advancement department for reaching the capital campaign's goal well over the target.

**Governance Committee Report: David Scotto**

David Scotto reported that revisions for Budget Policy #6.9 would roll into the October consent agenda. Scotto also updated the board on the new slates of members, potential board members, and the renewal of term members.

**Finance and Investment Committee Report: Chuck Nelsen**

Chuck Nelsen reported that Arnerich Massena presented a report on the Endowment Performance and Market Update. Nelsen also mentioned that the committee approved a proposal to endow \$1 million to the Faculty & Staff Awards and approved a one-time allocation of \$11,000 from reserves to fund the awards until the new endowment makes its first distribution the following year.. Finally the committee approved a change in the allocations of the Governors' Awards to include Business & Finance. These items are included in the consent agenda for full board approval.

**CEO's Report: Ahmad Boura**

Boura shared a recruitment update, announcing that two new development officers had joined the colleges of Communications and Education, an Engineering, Computer Science and Construction Management. Additionally, a new Donor Relations and Scholarships Manager and a Regional Outreach Coordinator started this week. Boura and his team partnered with Higher Talent to search for part-time regional officers to oversee various parts of the country. Two regional, part-time development officers have accepted offers in Southern California, and the search continues for three more, in Denver, Portland/Seattle, and New York/Washington D.C.

Hodson asked for a motion to approve the General Session consent agenda. Marcia Moore moved to approve the agenda. Chris Nichols seconded the motion, and the committee voted to approve the agenda.

**New Business: Dave Hodson**

Hodson reminded the board that the October meeting would be held in person and encouraged the board to attend the Alumni & Parent event that weekend.

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**BOARD OF GOVERNORS**  
**GENERAL SESSION**  
Friday, June 25, 2021  
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



Hodson announced the next meeting is scheduled for Friday, October 8, 2021, and adjourned the meeting at 1:20 p.m.

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