SECTION 3. Board and Board Members

3.2 Board Member Partnership

As a member of the Board of Governors of The University Foundation, California State University, California (Foundation), I am committed to helping promote the growth and development of the Foundation and California State University, Chico (University) by:

- Becoming familiar with and supporting the mission, vision, values, and work of the Foundation and the University.
- Developing a personal and extraordinary understanding of the University's highest priority needs and communicating these priorities to prospective leadership donors.
- Working closely with the University President, the deans, staff and faculty, in the identification, cultivation, solicitation and stewardship of sources of private support.
- Making an annual Tower Society gift to the University from personal resources and creating an endowment or providing equivalent support for an existing endowment with a current gift, pledged gift, estate gift, or a combination of these gifts.
- Asking my company for annual and/or special support.
- Serving as an active member of one or more of the board's committees.
- Attending three annual board meetings, providing guidance, demonstrating teamwork and serving in leadership positions, undertaking special assignments when asked, and actively participating in at least one board committee.
- Working with the Board of Governors to formulate and adopt policies for the Foundation that support philanthropy, protect the assets of the Foundation, and carry out other fiduciary duties.
- Adopting the Council for Advancement and Support of Education's *Statement of Ethics* and the Association of Fundraising Professionals' *Donor Bill of Rights*.
- Understand that board members may not be employed by the University.

The University Foundation and Chico State will partner with each member of the Board in fulfilling the commitment by providing with the following:

- Access to the officers and executives of the University
- Ample notice of all meetings including necessary background material.
- Minutes of all board meetings.

- Regular financial reports that allow board members to review the Foundation's financial position
- Access to paid staff to discuss program and policy, goals, and objectives.
- Straightforward and thorough answers to any questions board members may have that are necessary to carry out their fiscal, legal, or moral responsibilities to the Foundation
- Relevant information to provide support, input, and guidance, and to make informed decisions
- To the extent allowed by law, indemnification from liability for a board member's reasonable and necessary actions
- Reimbursement for reasonable expenses incurred when undertaking significant special tasks or projects on behalf of and at the request of the University.
- Directors and Officers liability coverage
- Respect and recognition for the time board members contribute to the work of the Foundation

Should I be unable to meet the obligations outlined in this agreement, I understand that I may be asked to step down from the Foundation leadership and seek other forms of engagement with Chico State.

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Name (please print)

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Signed Date