AGENDA

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Meeting: 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 16, 2018
Glenn S. Dumke Auditorium

Rebecca D. Eisen, Chair
Adam Day, Vice Chair
Silas H. Abrego
Jane W. Carney
Douglas Faigin
Debra S. Farar
Jean Picker Firstenberg
Wenda Fong
Emily Hinton
Lillian Kimbell
Jack McGrory
Thelma Meléndez de Santa Ana
Hugo N. Morales
John Nilon
Larry Norton
Jorge Reyes Salinas
Romey Sabalius
Lateefah Simon
Christopher Steinhauser
Peter Taylor

Consent Discussion

1. Approval of Minutes of the Meeting of March 21, 2018, Action

2. Presentation of the Association of Governing Boards John W. Nason Award for Board Leadership, Information

3. Conferral of the Title of Student Trustee Emeritus—Jorge Reyes Salinas, Action

4. Conferral of Commendation—Sally Roush, Action

5. Conferral of the Title of President Emeritus—Willie Hagan, Action

6. Conferral of the Title of President Emeritus—Horace Mitchell, Action
Vice Chair Day called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of September 9, 2015, were approved as submitted.
Vice Chair Day presented the consent agenda for approval. The consent agenda included one action item to appoint five members to the Committee on Committees for 2018-2019 (RCOW 03-18-01) and one information item, General Counsel’s Annual Litigation Report. The committee approved the consent agenda with no objections.

**The Role of Higher Education in California’s Future: A Presentation by the Public Policy Institute of California**

Vice Chair Day introduced one information item on the discussion agenda, a presentation from the Public Policy Institute of California (PPIC). Dr. Hans P. Johnson, Senior Policy Fellow and Higher Education Center Director for PPIC, presented the institute’s research findings on the need for college graduates in California’s future economy. He opened his presentation with remarks about the results of the November 2017 statewide public opinion survey noting that most Californians surveyed held the state’s public higher education systems in high regard, including the CSU, but at the same survey results also showed that many Californians question the value of higher education.

Dr. Johnson stated that the concern about value is almost certainly driven by the widespread perception that affordability and debt are big problems. Californians want the state to spend more money on higher education and do not support increases in tuition. Californians overall express high demand for college. He added that the vast majority of parents want their child to earn at least a bachelor’s degree. Dr. Johnson presented a PowerPoint citing data from the survey as well as from an earlier October 2015 report ([Will California Run Out of College Graduates?](#)) illustrating projections for the demand for and supply of workers across all levels of educational attainment to 2030. He stated that the primary finding is that California faces a shortage of highly educated workers equating to a gap of nearly 1.1 million workers. Dr. Johnson stressed to close the gap, all higher education systems will need to increase access and completion. He highlighted the important role the CSU plays as the state’s leading provider of undergraduate education, noting that by increasing enrollments of both first-time freshmen and transfer students and by increasing graduation rates, the CSU alone could close over 40% of the shortfall. Graduation Initiative 2025 is a large and important step in the right direction to improving access and success among groups historically underrepresented in higher education—including low-income students and first-generation college students. He recognized that finding ways to accommodate all these students - within a continued context of decreased funding for public higher education - remains a central challenge, but one that must be met in order to ensure a better future for all Californians.
Following the presentation, trustees expressed appreciation for the report and made comments regarding affordability, access, graduation rates and timely degree completion. They also asked questions about funding and managing the expectations outlined in the report to meet the demands for the anticipated degree gap.

Vice Chair Day adjourned the meeting.
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Presentation of the Association of Governing Boards John W. Nason Award for Board Leadership

Presentation By

Rebecca D. Eisen
Chair of the Board

Rick Legon
President
Association of Governing Boards
of Universities and Colleges

Summary

Mr. Rick Legon, President of the Association of Governing Boards (AGB), will present the CSU Board of Trustees with the 2017 John W. Nason Award for Board Leadership during the May meeting.

Background

Founded in 1921, the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges is the premier organization centered on governance in higher education. With nearly 1,300 membership boards—representing 1,900 colleges, universities, and institutionally related foundations—AGB strives to continuously advance the practice of governance by designing and instilling best practices and advocating nationally on issues that affect higher education.

In 2015, AGB created the John W. Nason award for Board Leadership to recognize and honor boards who are exemplars of innovation, creativity, and exceptional leadership. The award is named after a higher education leader who served as a pioneer on behalf of the importance and centrality of effective good governance. The California State University was one of five governing boards selected by AGB to receive the 2017 John W. Nason Award for Board Leadership. The criteria for selection included: exceptional leadership and initiative; distinct contributions to strengthening governance and trusteeship; unusual courage in the face of difficult circumstances; or significant achievement that benefits the institution, system, or foundation.

The CSU Board of Trustees was unanimously selected as a recipient of the award recognizing the system’s leadership in developing the Graduation Initiative 2025; an ambitious initiative to increase graduation rates, close achievement gaps, and contribute to producing a bachelor’s degree-educated workforce in California. The Board was recognized – along with their fellow winning governing boards from Agnes Scott College, Augsburg University, Ohio University, and Unity College – during the AGB Annual Conference on Trusteeship in San Francisco.
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Conferral of the Title of Student Trustee Emeritus–Jorge Reyes Salinas

Presentation By

Rebecca D. Eisen
Chair of the Board

Summary

It is recommended that Student Trustee Jorge Reyes Salinas, whose term expires on June 30, 2018, be conferred the title of Student Trustee Emeritus for his service, commitment and leadership to the California State University. The granting of emeritus status carries the title, but no compensation.

The following resolution is recommended for approval:

RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of the California State University, that this board confers the title of Student Trustee Emeritus on Jorge Reyes Salinas, with all the rights and privileges thereto.
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Conferral of Commendation—President Sally Roush

Presentation By

Timothy P. White
Chancellor

Summary

It is recommended that President Sally Roush be commended for her dedication and leadership to San Diego State University and the California State University.

The following resolution is recommended for approval:

RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of the California State University, that this board commends President Sally Roush for her dedication and leadership on behalf of the students, faculty, staff, administrators, alumni and friends of San Diego State University and the California State University.
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Conferral of the Title of President Emeritus—Willie Hagan

Presentation By

Timothy P. White
Chancellor

Summary

It is recommended that President Willie Hagan, upon his retirement, be conferred the title of President Emeritus for his many years of dedicated service to California State University, Dominguez Hills; and the California State University. The granting of emeritus status carries the title, but no compensation.

The following resolution is recommended for approval:

RESOLVED, by the Board of Trustees of the California State University, that this board confers the title of President Emeritus on President Willie Hagan, with all the rights and privileges thereto.
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Conferral of the Title of President Emeritus—Horace Mitchell

Presentation By

Timothy P. White
Chancellor

Summary

It is recommended that President Horace Mitchell, upon his retirement, be conferred the title of President Emeritus for his many years of dedicated service to California State University, Bakersfield; and the California State University. The granting of emeritus status carries the title, but no compensation.

The following resolution is recommended for approval:

**RESOLVED**, by the Board of Trustees of the California State University, that this board confers the title of President Emeritus on President Horace Mitchell, with all the rights and privileges thereto.