AGENDA

COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION AND RULES

Meeting: 4:20 p.m., Tuesday, January 31, 2006
Glenn S. Dumke Auditorium

George G. Gowgani, Chair
Debra S. Farar, Vice Chair
Jeffrey L. Bleich
Herbert L. Carter
Carol R. Chandler
Melinda Guzman Moore
Ricardo F. Icaza
Craig R. Smith

Consent Items

Approval of Minutes of September 20, 2005

1. Proposed Amendment to Standing Orders, Information
Chair Farar called the meeting to order.

Consent Items

Chair Gowgani noted that there were two consent items on the agenda, the Approval of Minutes for the July meeting and the action item to make permanent the change in placement of public comment at board meetings. He noted there was one public request to speak and offered the floor to Patrick Gantt, California State Employees Association. Mr. Gantt reminded Trustees that at the July meeting he had addressed the board on his concerns regarding time constraints for speakers. He stated that at that time he had been given the impression from the Chair that the Chair would use the ultimate discretion regarding allotting time so anyone wishing to address the board would have a chance to express themselves thoroughly. He spoke of his continued concern regarding the restricted 30-minute time period for all speakers and his hope that the Chair’s discretion would rule when there were more speakers than could logically fit in 30 minutes. Chair Gowgani stated that unless there were objections, the two items would stand approved by consent. Hearing none, the items were approved as submitted. Chancellor Reed called for a formal vote on the action item. The item was moved, seconded and approved.

Chair Gowgani adjourned the meeting.
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Proposed Amendment to Standing Orders

Presented By

Christine Helwick
General Counsel

Summary

This item recommends an amendment to the Trustees’ Standing Orders to revise the seal of the California State University.

Background

During the development of a comprehensive branding system for the CSU Office of the Chancellor, a survey of other University seals showed that the majority of universities have their founding dates inscribed in easily recognized Arabic numerals, rather than Roman numerals. The California State University seal has the founding date of its earliest campus depicted in Roman numerals that are inscribed vertically, rather than horizontally, making the date difficult to decipher. It is recommended that the date “1857” be inscribed in Arabic numerals and be moved to the outside border on the CSU seal. The seal is officially established in the Trustees’ Standing Orders.

The Standing Orders require that all amendments be presented first for information, and then for action at a subsequent meeting. Therefore, an amendment to Section III.e of the Standing Orders will be presented at the March meeting of the CSU Board of Trustees. The amendment will propose to replace the current seal, shown below, with a new seal, also shown below.

Current Seal:
Revised seal (proposed for adoption in March):