AGENDA

JOINT COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT
and EDUCATIONAL POLICY

Meeting: 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 24, 2023
Glenn S. Dumke Auditorium

Committee on Institutional Advancement
Lillian Kimbell, Chair
Jean Picker Firstenberg, Vice Chair
Diego Arambula
Leslie Gilbert-Lurie
Anna Ortiz-Morfit
Yammilette Rodriguez
Jose Antonio Vargas

Committee on Educational Policy
Romey Sabalius, Chair
Diego Arambula, Vice Chair
Douglas Faigin
Jean Picker Firstenberg
Leslie Gilbert-Lurie
Maria Linares
Julia I. Lopez
Yammilette Rodriguez
Christopher Steinhauser

Consent
1. Approval of Minutes of the Meeting of January 25, 2022, Action

Discussion
2. The Wang Family Excellence Awards, Information
Trustee Christopher Steinhauser called the meeting to order.

The Wang Family Excellence Awards

The virtual presentation began with opening remarks from Chancellor Joseph I. Castro, honoring the legacy of Trustee Emeritus Stanley T. Wang, founder of the Wang Family Excellence Awards. Chair Lilian Kimbell thanked Trustee Emeritus Wang as well as the members of the selection committee. Chancellor Castro then introduced the 2022 award recipients: Dr. Steve Arounsack, recipient of the award for Outstanding Faculty Scholarship award; Dr. Don Edberg, recipient of the award for Outstanding Faculty Teaching; Dr. Loucine Huckabay, recipient of the award for Outstanding Faculty Service; Professor Dave Moon, recipient of the award for Outstanding Innovator in Student Success; and Dr. Keith Humphrey, recipient of the award for Outstanding Staff Performance.

Trustee Steinhauser adjourned the meeting.
The Wang Family Excellence Awards

Presentation By

Jolene Koester
Interim Chancellor

Background

More than 20 years ago, the Wang Family Excellence Award was established when then-California State University (CSU) Trustee Stanley T. Wang provided $1 million to recognize the remarkable contributions of four CSU faculty members and one staff member annually over a 10-year period. Each selected recipient received an award of $20,000.

In 2014, Trustee Emeritus Wang pledged a $300,000 gift to the CSU to reinstate the Wang Family Excellence Award, continuing this recognition for faculty and staff through 2017. And, at the January 2017 Board of Trustees meeting, Chancellor Timothy P. White announced that Trustee Emeritus Wang had gifted an additional $2.5 million, allowing the Wang Family Excellence Award to continue in perpetuity.

Overview

The Wang Family Excellence Award recognizes and celebrates CSU faculty members who have distinguished themselves through extraordinary dedication and exemplary achievements in their academic disciplines, while significantly contributing to the success of students. A staff administrator is also recognized for outstanding performance in her or his university assignment.

The selection process for the award begins with each campus president nominating one probationary or tenured faculty member for each of the award categories. Award categories are:

a) Outstanding Faculty Innovator in Student Success;
b) Outstanding Faculty Scholarship;
c) Outstanding Faculty Service; and
d) Outstanding Faculty Teaching.

Campus presidents also nominate one staff administrator from their respective campuses for the Outstanding Staff Performance Award.
Nominations are considered by the Wang Family Excellence Award Selection Committee, appointed in fall 2022 by Interim Chancellor Koester in consultation with Trustee Emeritus Wang. This committee includes two members of the Board of Trustees, the executive vice chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, the vice chancellor for Human Resources, chair of the Academic Senate CSU and a CSU faculty member who was previously awarded the Wang Family Excellence Award.

Nominees are reviewed and considered for selection based on the following criteria:

- Nominees should have made truly remarkable contributions to the advancement of their respective universities and/or the CSU system.
- Nominees should have a demonstrated record of unusually meritorious achievements documented by evidence of superior accomplishments and contributions to their academic discipline or university assignment.
- A nominee’s activities must advance the mission of the university, bring benefit and credit to the CSU and contribute to the enhancement of the CSU’s excellence in teaching, learning, research, scholarly pursuits, student support and community contributions.

The Wang Family Excellence Awards will be presented at the January 2023 Board of Trustees meeting.