AGENDA

JOINT COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT AND EDUCATIONAL POLICY

Meeting: **4:30 p.m., Tuesday, January 30, 2024**
Glenn S. Dumke Auditorium

Committee on Institutional Advancement	**Committee on Educational Policy**
Anna Ortiz-Morfit, Chair	Diego Arambula, Chair
Douglas Faigin, Vice Chair	Christopher Steinhauser, Vice Chair
Diego Arambula	Diana Aguilar-Cruz
Raji Kaur Brar	Raji Kaur Brar
Jean Picker Firstenberg	Jack Clarke, Jr.
Mark Ghilarducci	Mark Ghilarducci
Jonathan Molina Mancio	Leslie Gilbert-Lurie
Yammilette Rodriguez	Jonathan Molina Mancio
Jose Antonio Vargas	Jose Antonio Vargas
	Darlene Yee-Melichar

Consent
1. Approval of Minutes of the Meeting of January 24, 2023, *Action*

Discussion
2. The Wang Family Excellence Award, *Information*

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT AND EDUCATIONAL POLICY

Trustees of the California State University
Office of the Chancellor
Glenn S. Dumke Auditorium
401 Golden Shore
Long Beach, California

January 24, 2023

Members Present

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

Wenda Fong, Chair of the Board
Jolene Koester, Interim Chancellor

Chair Sabalius called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting on January 24, 2023, were approved as submitted.

The Wang Family Excellence Award

The presentation began with opening remarks from CSU Board of Trustee Chair Wenda Fong acknowledging the 25th anniversary of the Wang Family Excellence Awards. Chair Fong thanked Trustee Emeritus Wang as well as the members of the selection committee. Interim Chancellor Jolene Koester then introduced the 2023 award recipients: Dr. Steve Alas, Outstanding Faculty Service; Dr. David Blekhman, Outstanding Faculty Scholarship; Dr. William J. Hoese, Outstanding Faculty Innovator for Student Success; Dr. Alyssa Goldstein Sepinwall, Outstanding Faculty Teaching; and Dr. Joy Stewart-James, Outstanding Staff Performance.

The meeting adjourned.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT AND EDUCATIONAL POLICY

The Wang Family Excellence Award

Presentation By

Mildred García
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 2023 by Chancellor García in consultation with Trustee Emeritus Wang. This committee includes two members of the Board of Trustees, the deputy vice chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs and Chief Academic Officer, 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 2024 Board of Trustees meeting.