

## AGENDA

### COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT

**Meeting:** 4:15 p.m., Tuesday, September 24, 2024  
Glenn S. Dumke Auditorium

Leslie Gilbert-Lurie, Chair  
Jean Picker Firstenberg, Vice Chair  
Mark Ghilarducci  
Jonathan Molina Mancio  
Yammilette Rodriguez  
Jose Antonio Vargas

- Consent** 1. Approval of Minutes, *Action*
- Discussion** 2. 2024-2025 California State University Trustees' Award for Outstanding Achievement, *Information*

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT**

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

**July 24, 2024**

**Members Present**

Leslie Gilbert-Lurie, Chair  
Jean Picker Firstenberg, Vice Chair  
Mark Ghilarducci  
Jonathan Molina Mancio  
Yammilette Rodriguez

Jack B. Clarke, Jr., Chair of the Board  
Mildred García, Chancellor

Trustee Gilbert-Lurie called the meeting to order.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of May 21, 2024, were approved as submitted.

**Naming of the Habbas Law Athletic Center at San José State University**

Greg Saks, vice chancellor, external relations and communications, reported that the proposed naming recognizes the \$3.3 million sponsorship agreement with Habbas & Associates. Funds will be used to make improvements, repay the debt service on the building, and maintain the recently opened Spartan Athletics Center.

San José State President Cynthia Teniente-Matson shared the impact of the sponsorship agreement and thanked Mr. Habbas and his law firm for their commitment and support to SJSU Athletics. She noted that this public private partnership is unique in the athletics space and serves as a model for future collaborations, encouraging more businesses to invest in SJSU Athletics and the university.

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The committee approved the proposed resolution (RIA 07-24-06) that the Spartan Athletic Center at San José State University be named Habbas Law Athletics Center at San José State University for a period not to exceed ten years from the date of the agreement, and contingent upon receipt of the annual payment and fulfillment of the other terms as stipulated in the sponsorship agreement.

Chancellor García recognized Omar Habbas and his firm for their decades-long commitment to community support. Mr. Habbas was present and gave remarks. Chair Clarke presented Mr. Habbas with a framed resolution.

Trustee Gilbert-Lurie adjourned the meeting.

**COMMITTEE ON INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT**

**2024-2025 California State University Trustees' Award for Outstanding Achievement**

**Presentation By**

Jack B. Clarke, Jr.  
Chair of the Board

Mildred García  
Chancellor

Leslie Gilbert-Lurie  
Trustee

**Summary**

The California State University (CSU) Board of Trustees provides scholarships to high-achieving students with superior academic records who are also providing extraordinary service to their communities. Many have overcome profound challenges in their journey toward pursuing their academic goals.

**Background**

Since its inception, over 500 students have received the CSU Trustees' Award for Outstanding Achievement. Thanks to donor generosity, 23 students will receive an award this year. The most outstanding recipient is designated the Trustee Emeritus Ali C. Razi Scholar.

These distinguished awards are funded by contributions from the CSU trustees, CSU Foundation board members, employees and friends of the university. Scholarships range from \$7,000 to \$18,000. The recipients of the 2024-2025 CSU Trustees' Award for Outstanding Achievement are:

**Alexandra Brown**  
California State University, Bakersfield  
*CSU Trustee Emeritus Kenneth Fong Scholar*

**Gabriella Amaya**  
California State University, Dominguez Hills  
*William Randolph Hearst Foundation Scholar*

**Heather Smith**  
California State University Channel Islands  
*CSU Trustee Emeritus Murray L. Galinson Scholar*

**Emilie Giannini**  
California State University, East Bay  
*CSU Chancellor Emeritus Timothy P. White Scholar*

**Luz Gonzalez**  
California State University, Chico  
*CSU Chancellor Mildred García Scholar*

**Anthony Agueda**  
California State University, Fresno  
*CSU Trustee Emeritus Peter G. Mehas Scholar*

**Estrella de Guadalupe Bonilla**  
California State University, Fullerton  
*Edison International Scholar*

**Dillon Avery Harp**  
California State Polytechnic University,  
Humboldt  
*CSU Chancellor Emeritus Charles B. and  
Catherine Reed Scholar*

**Katrina Watson**  
California State University, Long Beach  
*William Randolph Hearst Foundation Scholar*

**Rebekah Reyes**  
California State University, Los Angeles  
*CSU Trustee Emeritus and CSU Foundation  
Board Member Ali C. Razi Scholar*

**Thomas Porter**  
California State University Maritime Academy  
*CSU Foundation Board Member Michael A. and  
Debe Lucki Scholar*

**Jianshan Chen Khalsa**  
California State University, Monterey Bay  
*John and Beverly Stauffer Foundation Scholar*

**Trisha Williams**  
California State University, Northridge  
*CSU Executive Vice Chancellor and CFO Steve  
Relyea Scholar*

**Ezekiel Leyva**  
California State Polytechnic University, Pomona  
*TELACU Scholar*

**Perla Tellez**  
California State University, Sacramento  
*William Randolph Hearst Foundation Scholar*

**Juan Michael Sibrian**  
California State University, San Bernardino  
*SchoolsFirst Federal Credit Union Scholar*

**Maria Christina Huerta-Avila**  
San Diego State University  
*CSU Trustee Jack McGrory Scholar*

**Juan Carlos Arredondo**  
San Francisco State University  
*CSU Trustee Leslie and Cliff Gilbert-Lurie  
Scholar*

**Fernando Sánchez López**  
San José State University  
*CSU Trustee Emeritus William Hauck and  
Padget Kaiser Scholar*

**Maileen Soriano-Mamaradlo**  
California Polytechnic State University, San  
Luis Obispo  
*William Randolph Hearst Scholar*

**Minh Tran**  
California State University San Marcos  
*CSU Trustee Wenda Fong and Daniel Fetterly  
Scholar*

**Bryce Iversen**  
Sonoma State University  
*CSU Trustee Emerita Claudia H. Hampton  
Scholar*

**Estefania Hernandez Luna**  
California State University, Stanislaus  
*CSU Foundation Board Member Ron and Mitzi  
Barhorst Scholar*