Governance Committee Meeting Minutes **Thursday, April 9, 2026**

Zoom Video Conference

Committee Members Present:

Laura Pickering	Bill Swanson	Matt Weinstein
Ken Stone	Stan Van Vleck	

Committee Members Absent:

John Ronca

Staff:

Marc Benadiba	Stacy Cannon	Samantha Mauro

Call to Order and Attendance

Governance Committee Chair, Stan Van Vleck, called the meeting to order and took attendance. Chair Van Vleck announced a quorum of directors in attendance and noted that the meeting, having been duly convened, was ready to proceed.

Minutes

Chair Van Vleck asked members for corrections to the January 15, 2026, Governance Committee meeting minutes. None were identified; accordingly, a motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve the minutes

Nominations

Chair Van Vleck thanked board members who will stay on the board an additional year in an effort to pass on their knowledge and create a smooth leadership transition.

Slate of Directors – New

Chair Van Vleck introduced the Slate of Directors for nomination to the board. Addition of Cal Maritime Foundation board chair, John Betz, and former board chair, Tom Edwards, was discussed. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to move forward the Slate of Directors to the Executive Committee.

Slate of Directors – Reappointment

Chair Van Vleck introduced the Slate of Directors for reappointment or hiatus. Members serving an additional one-year term include: Mike Applegate, Phil Bailey, Paul Bonderson, Chuck Harrington, John Ronca, and Bill Swanson. Members serving a three-year term include: Lisa Anderson, Ryan Martinez, Chris Trapani. A hiatus year will be taken by Laura Pickering and Ken Stone. Board members Dick Bradshaw and Jerry Lohr elected to not serve an additional term. Student Director, Alexander Levine, is graduating and therefore no longer eligible to serve on the board. The process to appoint a new Student Director is underway.

Slate of Officers

Chair Van Vleck introduced the Slate of Officers. On the recommendation of the committee, John Ronca was added to the slate to serve a one-year term as secretary. A motion to approve Bill Swansons as Chair of the Cal Poly Foundation was made, Chair Swanson recused himself, the motion was seconded and passed. A motion to approve Stan Van Vleck as Chair in Waitin was made, Mr. Van Vleck recused himself, the motion was seconded and passed. A motion to elect Ryan Martinez as Vice Chair/Chair in waiting was made, seconded, and passed. The Slate of Officers will move forward to the Executive Committee.

Committee Chair Assignments

The Committee Chair Assignments were presented for information purposes as it establishes official leadership for each standing committee of the Board.

Schedule of Meetings

Chair Van Vleck presented the schedule of meetings for the fiscal year 2026-27. After presenting, Chair Swanson noted that the quarter 1 Board of Director meeting will be held virtually and the quarter 2 and 4 meetings will be held on Friday. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to move forward the schedule of meetings to the Executive Committee prior to full Board approval.

Policy Review

Chair Van Vleck called on Foundation CEO Matt Weinstein to provide an overview of Policy 122 – Public Comment. The policy currently requires full capture of everything that speaker presents at board. New requirement acknowledges speaker and provides overview of comments, not full extent of comments. No edits were recommended. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to move forward the policy to the Executive Committee prior to full Board approval.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 3:50PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Stan Van Vleck

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Governance Committee Chair

Cal Poly Foundation Board

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