

FOUNDATION FOR CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES: APPOINTMENT OF ALICE PEREZ TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE FOUNDATION FOR CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES

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ACTION

Presentation: Jan Dehesh, Board Chair, Foundation for California Community Colleges
Keetha Mills, President and CEO, Foundation for California Community Colleges

Item 2.2

Issue

This item requests the selection of Alice Perez to the Foundation for California Community Colleges, Board of Directors.

Background

Alice Perez

Alice Perez is well-known to the Board of Governors, having previously served as a member for several years and more recently as vice president. Ms. Perez' successful career in both public and private industry makes her a natural fit for the Foundation for California Community Colleges Board, especially in light of her years of service to the California Community Colleges. Ms. Perez' private industry work includes serving as director of multicultural markets for U.S. Bank and manager of customer strategy and residential services for Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD).

In 2011, Ms. Perez founded Alice Perez Consulting, through which she has focused efforts on engaging elected officials in education reform strategies throughout the United States as well as advocating for policies to improve all students' access to education. Ms. Perez' dedication to educational reform is further demonstrated by her former role as director of governmental affairs for STAND UP, an education non-profit devoted to improving public schools in the Sacramento region. Ms. Perez has served many roles in educational organizations including: commissioner of the California Postsecondary Education Commission, member of the Scholar Share Investment Board, and member of the California Student Aid Commission. Currently, Ms. Perez serves as president/CEO of the Sacramento Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

Ms. Perez received her Bachelor of Science from California State University, Sacramento. She was recently honored with the Distinguished Graduate Award from California State University, Sacramento. Alumni who have made notable contributions to the campus and the community are selected to receive this award.

Please see attached resume and biography for more information.

Recommendation

The Board of Governors approves the selection of Alice Perez to the Foundation for California Community Colleges, Board of Directors.