

Academic Senate of
California State University, Long Beach

RESOLUTION ON PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH

WHEREAS

the CSU Board of Trustees will be conducting a search for a new president of California State University, Long Beach (CSULB) in the academic year 2013/14;

WHEREAS

the Academic Senate of the California State University, Long Beach (ASCSULB) recognizes that the CSU Board of Trustees' Policy for the Selection of Presidents of September 20-21, 2011 states that "the Chancellor and the Chair of the TCSP [Trustees Committee for the Selection of the President] determine whether to schedule campus visits, which are optional, or to schedule campus visits on a modified basis, depending on the circumstances of the search";

WHEREAS

that same Policy affirms a "deep commitment throughout the process to the principles of consultation with campus and community representatives";

WHEREAS

the omission of the official campus visits would mean less transparency in the search and hence possibly less trust from the University and the public in the outcome of said search;

WHEREAS

the presidential candidates' official campus visits give the CSU Board of Trustees and the TCSP as well as the University and the public important insight into the candidates' knowledge of, and ability to lead, the students, faculty, staff, and administration of CSULB; and

WHEREAS

the ASCSULB wishes to affirm that the incoming president of CSULB will of course ultimately be judged *not* on the procedures by which he or she was selected *but* on his or her performance as president;

be it therefore

RESOLVED

that the ASCSULB strongly encourages the Chancellor and the TCSP to schedule official campus visits for the finalists in the search for a new president of CSULB in the academic year 2013/14; and

RESOLVED

that the ASCSULB strongly encourages the CSU Board of Trustees to revisit their Policy for the Selection of Presidents of September 20-21, 2011 and once again make official campus visits for finalists in presidential searches mandatory.