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CSU Board Approves Sole Finalist for CSU-Global President

FORT COLLINS – The Colorado State University System Board of Governors, including student and faculty board representatives, met this morning in a special public meeting prior to its regularly scheduled committee meetings to receive a recommendation from the search committee chair for the president of CSU-Global Campus.

John Ikard, chair of the CSU-Global Campus presidential search committee and board member recommended to the board Becky Takeda-Tinker, current Dean of Academics Affairs at CSU-Global, as a sole finalist for the position of CSU-Global president. The recommendation was further supported by CSU System chancellor Joe Blake, who also served on the search committee.

“A strong indication of what is happening in the online university market is the number of quality applicants we received for this position. However, Dr. Takeda-Tinker’s experience made her stand out above the rest and earned the committee’s unanimous endorsement,” said Ikard.

“This is an opportunity of a lifetime. I am excited to carry forward the board’s foresight to create Global Campus, and its platform of affordable, convenient, accessible and high quality degree programs to enable more nontraditional students to earn a degree,” said Takeda-Tinker.

The board voted unanimously to accept the committee’s recommendation. The appointment will be effective after a 14-day public notice period as stipulated in state statute.

Takeda-Tinker has been with CSU-Global Campus since 2008 where she has been a faculty member for master’s and bachelor’s degrees in organizational development and leadership. Takeda-Tinker has also done work in course development and instruction with other regionally accredited universities. She has led publicly-held and private technology and service companies, and has served as a private equity partner and financial services business owner. Takeda-Tinker currently serves on the board of directors of the global Leadership Foundation and the International Women’s Forum. She has served on the boards of the Foundation for an Independent Tomorrow, University of Nevada Las Vegas Foundation - Black Mountain Institute Founder’s Circle, Southern Nevada’s Make-A-Wish Foundation and the National Association of Women Business Owners of Southern Nevada. Takeda-Tinker holds a doctoral degree in organization and management with a specialization in leadership from Capella University, an MBA in Finance from Santa Clara University, a post-graduate certificate from the University of California-Berkeley and a bachelor’s in economics from UCLA.

Colorado State University-Global Campus delivers the next generation of online education that lives up to the reputation of the Colorado State University System for quality and innovation. Offering accredited Bachelor’s completion and Master’s programs in career relevant fields, CSU-Global Campus is designed to fit into the

busy lives of working adults. The 100% online campus has faculty that are national leaders in their fields of study, and are specially trained to teach adult learners in an online platform. They offer 8 week courses, with multiple start dates a semester and a simplified enrolment process.

The Colorado State University System is comprised of three campuses with very distinct roles and missions. The campuses serve the state, region, country, and world, educating about 31,000 new and returning scholars annually. Highly skilled graduates number more than 7,300 a year, and more than 198,000 alumni live throughout the state, nation and world. The system involves a total operating budget of \$800 million, with annual research expenditures totaling \$328 million.