

**THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
Conducted Remotely
June 30, 2023**

ROLL

Governors present: Armando Valdez, (Chair), John Fischer (Vice Chair); Kenzo Kawanabe (Treasurer), Dr. Nate Easley (Secretary), Betsy Markey (At-Large).

Administrators and staff present: Tony Frank, Chancellor, CSU System; Jason Johnson, General Counsel, CSU System; Amy Parsons, President, CSU; Henry Sobanet, Senior Vice Chancellor and CFO, CSU System; Brendon Hanlon, VPUO, CSU

CSU System Staff present: Melanie Geary, Board Liaison

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Valdez called the Committee Meeting to order at 12:18 p.m. and asked Chancellor Frank to summarize the purpose of the meeting.

Chancellor Frank noted that the full Board had previously approved the program plan for the Chiropteran Research Facility at CSU at the February 2022 Board of Governors meeting. As per Board policy the program plan included a tentative plan of finance and the plan of finance being presented for the Executive Committees approval was generally the same as presented in February 2022. He noted that typically a Plan of Finance would come forward at a regular meeting but with the transitions of the VP of University Operations and the President it had missed the regular cycle and to avoid missing a locked in contractual date of June 30, 2023, which would lead to additional cost escalation they were requesting the Executive Committee approve the plan of finance off cycle. Chancellor Frank shared that the facility would further CSU's expertise in bat research which is an area of excellence for CSU. President Parsons thanked the Executive Committee for the off-cycle request and noted the funding for the project was coming from an NIH (National Institutes of Health) Grant and VP for Research revolving fund and they were not requesting any borrowing for the project.

Governor Kawanabe voiced his support for the project, as did Governor Fischer and Markey who remarked at the importance of this type of research.

Motion/Action: Governor Fischer moved for Board approval of Plan of Finance for the Chiropteran Research Facility. The Motion was seconded by Governor Kawanabe and carried unanimously.

SVP Sobanet noted the outreach to elected officials underway in relation the research and providing them with the facts around the project.

With no further business the committee adjourned at 12:30 p.m.