Regents elect Callie Rennison as chair, Ken Montera as vice chair[1]
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The University of Colorado Board of Regents on Friday elected members Callie Rennison as chair and Ken Montera as vice chair for the coming year.

The nine regents elected both by acclamation during the board's meeting at the University of Colorado Boulder.

Rennison[3], a Democrat representing the 2nd Congressional District, first was elected to the board in 2020 and is a professor and former associate dean of faculty affairs at the University of Colorado Denver School of Public Affairs. She also served as the director of the Office of Equity and Title IX Coordinator for the CU Denver and CU Anschutz Medical campuses. She succeeds Regent Lesley Smith, who served as board chair for the past year.

"I appreciate the support of the board and look forward to working with Regent Montera," Rennison said. "He's a superb regent and, together, I believe we'll continue the important work of advancing CU."

Montera[4], a Republican representing the 5th Congressional District, just concluded his first year as board vice chair. He first was appointed to the Board of Regents by Gov. Jared Polis in December 2021, then won election in 2022 for the remainder of the term. Montera spent over 30 years as a senior executive in four Fortune 200 companies leading strategy, multi-billion-dollar budgets, and direct responsibility for over 40,000 associates. He graduated from CU's Leeds School of Business in 1979.

"Regent Rennison and I worked together as chair and vice chair of the University Affairs Committee," Montera said. "I'm excited to continue working with her in this new capacity and to drive continuity in what we've already established strategically as a board."

The CU Board of Regents consists of nine members serving staggered six-year terms, one elected from each of Colorado's eight congressional districts and one from the state at large. The board is charged constitutionally with the general supervision of the university and the exclusive control and direction of all funds of and appropriations to the university, unless otherwise provided by law.

"I look forward to working with Chair Rennison and continue working with Vice Chair Montera to advance CU and serve our students and the great state of Colorado," said CU President Todd Saliman.

Board of Regents approves $5.9 billion budget for CU[5]

The CU Board of Regents on Friday approved a $5.9 billion budget for the CU system's 2023-24 fiscal year, an increase of 5.1% over the 2022-23 estimated budget.

The budget reflects investments in salary and benefit increases for faculty and staff, institutional financial aid, deferred facility maintenance and campus budget initiatives. Chad Marturano, vice president and chief financial officer, said the budget demonstrates CU's commitment to high-quality education, research and health care while keeping tuition in check.

Regents voted unanimously to adopt the budget, which Marturano detailed during a presentation[6] at the board's June 22-23 meeting at CU Boulder.

State leaders earlier this year approved a funding increase to higher education of $118.6 million, or 11.4%, compared to the previous year; CU's share is $32 million, an increase of 11.2%. Direct state funding accounts for 5.8% of CU's total budget.

As approved[7] by the Board of Regents in April, resident undergraduate tuition will rise 4% at CU Anschutz and CU

Boulder (for new students; continuing students see no increase); 5% at UCCS and CU Denver. Enrollment forecasts for the coming year show slight increases at CU Boulder (+0.5%) and CU Anschutz (+2.1%), with slight decreases at UCCS (-0.1%) and CU Denver (-2.7%).

The board in April also approved proposed compensation for employees across the system. Compensation for classified staff across the system will increase 5.0%, adhering to the state requirement. Merit pools between 3.5% and 4.0% will apply to all other faculty and staff, varying by campus, with additional pools for salary compression, retention and equity at some campuses ranging from 0.0% to 4.0%. All campuses also will increase minimum wage rates for staff and students.

Video: How does CU's budget work[8]

In other business last week, the Board of Regents formally recognized three CU Distinguished Professors. Distinguished Professors Rob Davis[9] and Jean Kutner[10] were on hand to receive their awards; Distinguished Professor Dorothea Olkwoski[9] was unable to attend in person but appeared via video recording. The other six members of the most recent cohort of Distinguished Professors were honored by the board in April[7].
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The board presented resolutions of appreciation to shared governance leaders whose terms are ending: Faculty Council Chair Cindy O'Bryant[12] and Intercampus Student Forum Chair Axel Brown[13] and Co-Chair Aidan Clark[13].

The board meeting also featured a presentation on CU Boulder's startup ecosystem. Read more in CU Boulder Today [14].

The board next meets for its summer retreat, set for July 12-14 in Bailey.

CU celebrates LGBTQ+ community at Denver Pride[15]

CU last weekend marked its eighth consecutive year as a proud sponsor of Denver Pride[16], the annual festival, parade and 5K race celebrating the LGBTQ+ community.

Members of the CU community – including students, staff and faculty from the four campuses and system administration – took part in the June 24-25 events at Denver's Civic Center Park.
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Click here[18] for a gallery of photos from CU at Pride 2023.

Denver Pride is produced by The Center on Colfax, a registered 501-c-3 nonprofit organization that provides year-round programs and services for the LGBTQ+ community. The city's first Pride Month celebration took place in 1975 and was one of many commemorations established across the country following the 1969 Stonewall uprising in New York and years of community organizing and activism in response to discriminatory laws and practices against LGBTQ+ individuals.

Tenure list: June 2023[19]

The CU Board of Regents on June 22-23 approved 82 tenure awards and appointments.

CU Boulder
Effective Aug. 21, 2023, unless otherwise noted

Awards of tenure:
Asaf Bernstein, Associate Professor, Leeds School of Business **Lorna Cinnamon Bidwell Kovalev,** Associate Professor, Psychology and Neuroscience, College of Arts and Sciences **Michael Andrew Calkins,** Associate Professor, Physics, College of Arts and Sciences **Jeffrey Carlyle Cameron,** Associate Professor, Biochemistry, College of Arts and Sciences **Jeronimo Rafael Carballo,** Associate Professor, Economics, College of Arts and Sciences **Xudong Chen;** Associate Professor; Electrical, Computer and Energy Engineering; College of Engineering and Applied Science **David Ciplet,** Associate Professor, Environmental Studies Program, College of Arts and Sciences **Sherri M. Cook;** Associate Professor; Civil, Environmental and Architectural Engineering; College of Engineering and Applied Science **Lisa Corwin,** Associate Professor, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, College of Arts and Sciences **Emiliano Dall'Anese;** Associate Professor; Electrical, Computer and Energy Engineering; College of Engineering and Applied Science **Robin John Deeley,** Associate Professor, Mathematics, College of Arts and Sciences **Annette W. de Stecher,** Associate Professor, Art and Art History, College of Arts and Sciences **Xiaoyun Ding,** Associate Professor, Mechanical Engineering, College of Engineering and Applied Science **David Francis Drake,** Associate Professor, Leeds School of Business **Nickoal Lyn Eichmann,** Associate Professor, University Libraries (Effective July 1, 2023) **John A. Farnsworth,** Associate Professor, Aerospace Engineering Sciences, College of Engineering and Applied Science **Iskra Nikova Fileva,** Associate Professor, Philosophy, College of Arts and Sciences **Irma Jolene Fisher;** Associate Professor; Advertising, Public Relations and Media Design; College of Media, Communication and Information **Jerome Michael Fox,** Associate Professor, Chemical and Biological Engineering, College of Engineering and Applied Science **Stacy R. Gilbert,** Associate Professor, University Libraries (Effective July 1, 2023) **Christoffer R. Heckman,** Associate Professor, Computer Science, College of Engineering and Applied Science **Roselinde Henderson Kaiser,** Associate Professor, Psychology and Neuroscience, College of Arts and Sciences **Adam F. Kowalski,** Associate Professor, Astrophysical and Planetary Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences **Jingchun Li,** Associate Professor, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, College of Arts and Sciences **Nathan Thomas Marshall,** Associate Professor, Leeds School of Business **Geoffrey C. Marslett,** Associate Professor, Cinema Studies and Moving Image Arts, College of Arts and Sciences **Adam M. McCloskey,** Associate Professor, Economics, College of Arts and Sciences **Orit Peleg,** Associate Professor, Computer Science, College of Engineering and Applied Science **Erik Thomas Radio,** Associate Professor, University Libraries **Jeremy J. Reger,** Associate Professor, College of Music **Colleen Elizabeth Reid,** Associate Professor, Geography, College of Arts and Sciences **Shawhin Roudbari,** Associate Professor, Environmental Design, Graduate School **Scott Kennedy Shriver,** Associate Professor, Leeds School of Business **Kathryn Elaine Snell,** Associate Professor, Geological Sciences, College of Arts and Sciences **Kyle Thomas,** Associate Professor, Sociology, College of Arts and Sciences **Ashutosh Trivedi,** Associate Professor, Computer Science, College of Engineering and Applied Science **Eric Alan Vance,** Associate Professor, Applied Mathematics, College of Arts and Sciences **Marina Eller Vance,** Associate Professor, Mechanical Engineering, College of Engineering and Applied Science **Nicholas Villanueva,** Associate Professor, Ethnic Studies, College of Arts and Sciences **Helanius J. Wilkins,** Associate Professor, Theatre and Dance, College of Arts and Sciences **Eric A. Wustrow;** Associate Professor; Electrical, Computer and Energy Engineering; College of Engineering and Applied Science

UCCS
Effective June 24, 2023

Awards of tenure:
Diep Dao; Geography and Environmental Studies; College of Letters, Arts and Sciences **Robert Jacobs,** Human Physiology and Nutrition, Helen and Arthur E. Johnson Beth-El College of Nursing and Health Sciences **Jennifer Kling;** Philosophy; College of Letters, Arts and Sciences **Esther Lamidi;** Sociology; College of Letters, Arts and Sciences **Jena McCollum,** Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, College of Engineering and Applied Science **Steven Pittz;** Political Science; College of Letters, Arts and Sciences **Joseph Taylor;** Leadership, Research and Foundations; College of Education **Lei Zhang;** Sociology; College of Letters, Arts and Sciences

CU Denver
Effective June 23, 2023

Awards of tenure:
Fatima Esseili, English, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences **Alyssa Martoccio,** Modern Languages, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

CU Anschutz Medical Campus

Effective June 23, 2023

Awards of tenure:
Tellen Bennett, Biomedical Informatics, School of Medicine **Mitchell Cohen,** Surgery, School of Medicine **Marco Del Chiaro,** Surgery, School of Medicine **Katherine Dickinson,** Environmental and Occupational Health, Colorado School of Public Health **Christopher Evans,** Medicine, School of Medicine **Katherine Fantauzzo,** Craniofacial Biology, School of Dental Medicine **Stacy Fischer,** Medicine, School of Medicine **Christopher Gignoux,** Biomedical Informatics, School of Medicine **Christene Huang,** Surgery, School of Medicine **Katherine James,** Environmental and Occupational Health, Colorado School of Public Health **Aaron Johnson,** Biochemistry and Molecular Genetics, School of Medicine **Peter Kabos,** Medicine, School of Medicine **Megan Kelsey,** Pediatrics, School of Medicine **Tyree Kiser,** Clinical Pharmacy, Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences **Catherine Lozupone,** Biomedical Informatics, School of Medicine **R. Brett McQueen,** Clinical Pharmacy, Skaggs School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences **Devatha Nair,** Craniofacial Biology, School of Dental Medicine **James Nichols,** Craniofacial Biology, School of Dental Medicine **Paul Norman,** Biomedical Informatics, School of Medicine **Anthony Peng,** Physiology and Biophysics, School of Medicine **Wei Perng,** Epidemiology, Colorado School of Public Health **Mary Sammel,** Biostatistics and Informatics, Colorado School of Public Health **Michelle Sarche,** Community and Behavioral Health, Colorado School of Public Health **Katharine Smith,** Pharmacology, School of Medicine **Tamanna Tiwari,** Community Dentistry and Population Health, School of Dental Medicine
Appointments with tenure:
Liselotte Dyrbye, Medicine-Internal Medicine, School of Medicine **Bailey Fosdick,** Biostatistics and Informatics, Colorado School of Public Health **Jayashree Kalpathy-Cramer,** Ophthalmology, School of Medicine **Bruce Kaplan,** Medicine-Renal Diseases and Hypertension, School of Medicine **Mary Beth Makic,** Nursing, College of Nursing **Mark Mikkelsen,** Medicine-Pulmonary Sciences and Critical Care Medicine, School of Medicine

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UCCS third in the nation for cybersecurity community outreach, Bliss awarded Community Service Recognition [21]

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Twenty students with intellectual disabilities get chance at the campus lifestyle[28]

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