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California Community Colleges Chancellor Eloy Ortiz Oakley's Statement on Two Member Reappointments to Board of Governors

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – California Community Colleges Chancellor [Eloy Ortiz Oakley](#) issued the following statement on Gov. Jerry Brown's reappointments of Board President [Cecilia V. Estolano](#) and [Valerie Lynne Shaw](#) to the [California Community Colleges Board of Governors](#):

"I applaud Gov. Brown for recognizing the outstanding contributions that President Estolano and Board member Shaw have made to our community colleges and that he has reappointed them to another term. The knowledge, experience and expertise they provide are invaluable as we continue to improve the social mobility of our system's 2.1 million students and move California forward."

Gov. Brown made the announcement on Friday. Both reappointments continue until 2023.

Estolano was elected board president in November. She is co-founder of Estolano LeSar Perez Advisors, which provides consulting services on sustainable economic development and urban revitalization. Previously, Estolano served as chief strategist for state and local initiatives at Green for All from 2009 to 2011, chief executive officer at the City of Los Angeles Community Redevelopment Agency from 2006 to 2009 and a lecturer at the University of California, Los Angeles School of Public Affairs from 2006 to 2009. Estolano was of counsel at Gibson Dunn and Crutcher LLP from 2005 to 2006 and served as special assistant city attorney at the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office from 2001 to 2005 and as a senior policy advisor at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency from 1993 to 1995. Estolano earned a Juris Doctor degree from University of California, Berkeley School of Law.

Shaw was a commissioner at the Los Angeles City Board of Public Works from 1996 to 2013, where she was president from 2001 to 2005, and was an adjunct professor at the University of Southern California Department of Political Science from 2004 to 2011. She served as district director for Los Angeles City Council member Ruth Galanter from 1987 to 1993 and was a program manager at the Drew Economic Development Corporation from 1985 to 1987. Shaw served as public information officer for the Century Freeway Project from 1981 to 1985. She is a member of the 211 Los Angeles County Board of Directors, California Community Foundation's Centinela Valley Medical and Community Funds, Wilfandel Club and the Los Angeles African-American Women's Public Political Institute. Shaw earned a Master of Public Administration degree from the University of Southern California.

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