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California Community Colleges Chancellor Brice W. Harris lauds board appointments

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – California Community Colleges Chancellor [Brice W. Harris](#) issued the following statement on Gov. Jerry Brown's appointment of Valerie Lynne Shaw to the [Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges](#) and the reappointment of [Gary Reed](#) to another term on the board that oversees the largest public higher education system in the country:

"I congratulate Gary Reed and Valerie Lynne Shaw on their appointments to the board. From my time working with Mr. Reed I have found him to be a committed public servant whose decisions have been made with the best interests of our students in mind. We are delighted to welcome Ms. Shaw to the Board of Governors. Her experience as a college professor and in formulating public policy at the City of Los Angeles will serve the California Community Colleges and its 2.1 million students well."

Gary Reed, 68, of Porterville, has served on the board since 2005. Reed has been office manager at Reed and Reed Enterprises since 1980 and was a teacher at Newbury Park High School from 1970 to 1979. He has been a licensed registered representative since 1993. Reed earned a Master of Education degree in school management at the University of La Verne. This position requires Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$100 per diem.

Valerie Lynne Shaw, 64, of Los Angeles. 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. This position requires Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$100 per diem.

The California Community Colleges is the largest system of higher education in the nation composed of 72 districts and 112 colleges serving 2.1 million students per year. Community colleges supply workforce training, basic skills education and prepare students for transfer to four-year institutions. The Chancellor's Office provides leadership, advocacy and support under the direction of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. For more information about the community colleges, please visit <http://californiacommunitycolleges.cccco.edu/>, <https://www.facebook.com/CACommColleges>, or <https://twitter.com/CalCommColleges>.

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