**California Community College Board of Governors**

**Annual Energy & Sustainability Award Program**

Please complete and submit this nomination form with the subject line **“Board of Governors Award Nomination**”. In addition to written responses to the questions below, feel free to include supporting documents such as press clippings, citations, or letters of public support to augment the nomination.

**Submit applications and supporting documents electronically by email to**: Hoang Nguyen, CCC Chancellor’s Office at hnguyen@cccco.edu.

**Submittal deadline**: **August 9, 2024**

**Excellence in Energy & Sustainability - Climate Action Leadership:** This award recognizes a leader who is an advocate for the California community colleges and supports efforts to adopt policy and set aggressive goals to combat climate change. This individual depicts the qualities of leadership, influence, and empowerment to support and lead the California community colleges into the transformation of a sustainable, equitable and just future. Leadership can be demonstrated in climate action policy, workforce initiatives, or robust sustainability partnerships. This individual fosters a culture of environmental and sustainability stewardship through contributions to the Board of Governors goals and/or policies.

**Excellence in Energy & Sustainability – Sustainability Champion:** This award recognizes an individual within the California community colleges who has been a true champion and advocate in the area of energy and sustainability at the campus or district level. This individual depicts the qualities of leadership, creativity, and empowerment to support and lead the transformation of a clean energy future. This individual fosters a culture of environmental and sustainability stewardship that supports the Board of Governors goals and/or policies.

**Excellence in Energy & Sustainability – Innovative Projects:** This award recognizes a district or campus that implemented a project in the past year which depicts exemplary use and implementation of innovative technologies and progressive practices. This award recognizes an innovative an energy efficiency, clean energy, or sustainability project that results in energy savings and has the potential to have widespread adoption.

**Excellence in Energy & Sustainability – Faculty/Student Initiatives:** This award recognizes faculty and/or students who have excelled in developing sustainability initiatives for their district or college, both in and out of the classroom. The criteria for this award include the creation of an initiative that institutionalizes sustainability by integrating the initiative into campus operations and student learning or curriculum, engages the community in implementing the initiative, and has measurable results to demonstrate success. Faculty and student collaboration in the creation and implementation of sustainability plans are also eligible for this award.

**Annual Board of Governors Energy & Sustainability Award Nomination Form**

**Recipient contact information.** Please provide contact information for the individual(s) who will accept the award on behalf of the individual, district, or college:

Name:

Title: *(Please select one: Climate Action Leadership, Sustainability Champion, Innovative Project, or Faculty/Student Initiative)*

District/Campus:

E-mail:

Telephone:

**Summary Description.** Please describe the individual, district, or college, project, or initiative you wish to nominate. Be sure to include the timeline, key participants, plan of action, obstacles overcome, and any other relevant background information.

**Impact.** Please explain how the individual or project made a difference in the area of sustainability. If applicable, please report any measurable results to demonstrate success.

**Funding.** Please explain how funding was secured and whether utility or other incentive programs or grants were leveraged.

**Institutionalizing Sustainability.** Please explain how this individual, project, or initiative served to further institutionalize sustainability practices into district activities. This could include, for example, incorporating sustainability considerations into the administrative decision-making process, setting up a fund for sustainability projects, and incorporating sustainability into curriculum.

**All Answers should be limited to 300 words or less.**