

2023 Annual Meeting of Members of the Caltech Alumni Association Summary Report of Meeting on September 21, 2023, 6 pm

- Chair's Remarks: Fiscal year 2023 was a year of increased alumni engagement for the Caltech Alumni Association (CAA), supported by the approval of an unprecedented financial investment by the Board of Directors for piloting new alumni programs and experiences in targeted regions around the U.S. and the world. This resulted in:
 - The return of hallmark on-campus events both online and in-person, including the Alumni Weekend and Reunions and Seminar Days
 - Launched new initiatives to engage alumni and encourage community interaction and support, including Tables for Techers, Caltech In..., and Techers Together
 - Continued to increase engagement of campus partners, including Caltech alumni gathering with fellow alumni and faculty for <u>Caltech at the American Chemical</u> <u>Society in San Francisco</u>
 - o Overall Increased communications with Caltech alumni in person and online
- **Transition:** The CEO position is currently vacant. Throughout and beyond this transition period, the CAA Board, in partnership with Caltech, is committed to continue offering meaningful opportunities for alumni to stay connected and engaged.
 - Dexter Bailey, Vice President of Advancement and Alumni Relations (AAR), is overseeing and supporting alumni relations staff during this transition to ensure alumni programs and services continue at the highest level.
 - The Executive Committee of the CAA Board, in collaboration with Vice President Bailey, will prepare for a national search and recruitment of a new Assistant Vice President of Alumni Relations and CEO of CAA. The CAA Board will have direct input into selecting the next CEO.
 - The recruitment process formally will begin in early 2024, and we are eager to identify a well-qualified leader.
- CAA Report: This past fiscal year, CAA and Caltech Alumni Relations introduced and bolstered its alumni programs and services
 - Alumni Weekend and Reunions and Seminar Day continue Caltech traditions and achieved post-pandemic record registrations. The diversity of Seminar Day topics presented by faculty was well received 2022 Alumni Weekend and Reunion: 189 participants

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2023 Seminar Day: 281 in-person participants, 537 virtual registrants 2023 Alumni Weekend and Reunion: 314+ (registration open until October 11)

- Caltech In... regional alumni programs in Boston, Chicago, San Diego, San Francisco, Silicon Valley, and Washington, D.C. as well as at the American Chemical Society Conference in San Francisco Cumulative Caltech In...: 453 participants
- Launch of Tables for Techers, a new alumni volunteer-led weekend with global reach that touched alumni in 23 US states as well as in Australia, China, Germany, Singapore, and Switzerland 2023 Tables for Techers: 442 unique participants (some alumni participated both days)
- Techer Alumni Tours included Cruise the Face of Europe and Patagonia/ Southern Skies, and sold out trips to Egypt, Southern Africa, Total Eclipse Over Texas, and Galapagos. Tours bring together Caltech alumni to explore the world together and generating income to support the CAA mission. Cumulative Techer Tours: 210 passengers
- Launched Techers Together, which encourages alumni to organize events locally and helps CAA promote those events to a larger audience. Since launching in August, Techers Together events have taken place in Xian (China), LA South Beach, Silicon Valley, Portland (OR), and an upcoming gathering at the Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing in Orlando. Find events or complete a form for your own event on the CAA Events Calendar
- **Board Service:** Due to the absence of open Board seats, as determined by the Board in line with CAA Bylaws, the Board will not be adding new Directors for this fiscal year to ensure continued fiscal responsibility and efficient governance.
 - With only one Director term ending, and with a Board composition in compliance with the Bylaws, the Board made the strategic decision to defer new elections until 2024. The decision also includes the benefit of better stewarding administrative and financial resources, which can be directed toward other important initiatives and programs that benefit the alumni community.
 - Accordingly, a new slate of Directors will not be announced and elected until 2024. The Board anticipates that many seats will be open in 2024 and looks forward to electing new Directors then, and the <u>Nomination Portal</u> is always open for submissions.

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- Board Directors are required to participate in at least one committee and represent interests across the alumni community for the advancement of the mission and vision.
- Interested alumni are welcome to reach out to the Board Chair with questions about what Board service entails. Additional info can be found at https://www.alumni.caltech.edu/board-and-members-resources.
- Electronic voting for CAA members is encouraged. However, there are requirements that must be followed for an individual to request electronic voting, as CAA as an organization may not make decide to allow members to vote electronically either through an administrative action or by popular vote of members. To help reduce operating costs for conducting CAA business, please opt in for electronic voting by completing and following the return instructions on CAA's Consent to Use of Electronic Transmissions form.
- Conclusion: So that CAA may continue to provide connection opportunities to Caltech alumni worldwide, please consider donating to the CAA Endowment or any other Caltech initiatives.
 - Today, September 21, is Caltech Giving Day. We are close to the goal of 100% Board participation and would appreciate the alumni community to join us in showing how committed we are to increasing alumni engagement. You may make a gift any time that reflects your passions at giving.caltech.edu.
 - And make sure to stay in touch! If you need to update your contact information, please do so directly using the form at <u>Update My Contact Info</u>