



CAL STATE LA

OFFICE OF THE PROVOST

Dear Campus Community,

I am delighted to announce the successful completion of our search for the Dean of the Charter College of Education. After serving for more than a year in an interim capacity, Dr. Cheryl Ney will be named dean of the college effective February 1. Dean Ney has served Cal State LA admirably in several roles, joining us first in 2009 as Associate Vice President and Dean of Graduate Studies, and also as Associate Provost and Interim Provost. Under her leadership, the campus received WASC re-accreditation, converted to semesters and successfully met ambitious graduation rate goals established by the CSU in 2010.

In 2015, Dean Ney moved to the Charter College of Education as interim dean, where she has fostered faculty development and grant activity, the launch of the post-secondary specialization in the Ed.D. program, and strengthened educator preparation programs and partnerships across the Education sector (preK-12, community colleges and with other Colleges of Education). Dean Ney has had a special focus on educator preparation for linked learning pathway programs which provide 21st century career and technical education at the high school level.

Dean Ney earned her B.S in Chemistry from Arizona State University, her M.S. in Chemistry from Baylor University and her Ph.D. in Biochemistry from the University of Chicago. She began her academic career at Capital University in Columbus, Ohio, where she served as a faculty member and began her administrative career. Dean Ney was tenured and promoted to Full Professor in the Chemistry Department where STEM education, with a focus on Gender and Science, was her primary area of interest. She was Awarded Capital University's *Praestantia Award for Outstanding Teaching* and served as an NSF Distinguished Visiting Professor of Women and Science in the University of Wisconsin System in 1994. As an administrator, she was co-creator and Director of the Summer Institute in Math and Science for Pre-professional Students, General Education Director, and Provost. In 2006 she joined the leadership team at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, as Associate Vice Provost for Academic Programs.

Please join me in congratulating Dean Ney on her appointment. I look forward to her leadership and continued collaborations with CCOE faculty, staff and students as the college emerges as a regional leader.

Successful leadership searches result from the commitment of the community to identify and recruit the best candidates. I would like to offer my special thanks to all the people who attended the open forums, met with the finalists and shared their feedback, as well as to the Search Committee members: Holly Menzies (chair), Kimberly Persiani, Carlos Tejada, Veena Prabhu, and Trinh Pham.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lynn Mahoney".

Lynn Mahoney

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs