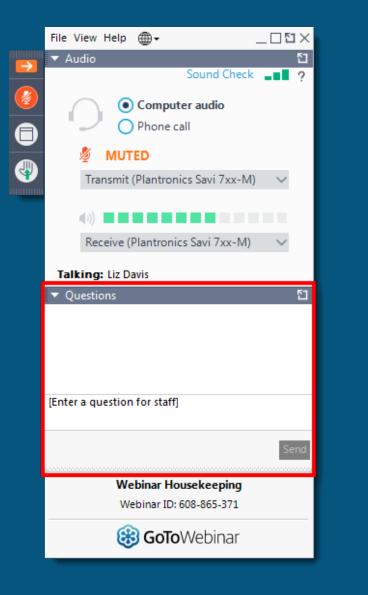
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- Assemblymember Al Muratsuchi
- Abigail Solis, Earlimart ESD Trustee
- Lorena Chavez, East Side Union SD Trustee
- Ryan Altemeyer, Monterey Peninsula USD Assoc. Supt., Business Services
- Sunne Wright McPeak, California Emerging Technology Fund President & CEO Sunne Wright McPeak
- **Reg Leighty**, Founder & Partner, Foresight Law & Policy
- Moderator:
 - Vernon M. Billy, California School Boards Association CEO/Executive Director



Statement from CSBA's CEO/Executive Director, Vernon M. Billy

Why is universal broadband so important and with all the issues California is facing, why have you prioritized this particular effort?

Particular to education and youth development, what are the benefits of closing the digital divide?

Given that California is the center of the global technology industry, why isn't the state further along the path toward universal broadband access at this point?



What do you see as the major challenges now and in the future as we work toward universal broadband access?

Last year's legislation to address the digital divide fizzled in the legislature. Why would this year be different?

Do you see universal broadband access as primarily a state responsibility or the byproduct of public-private partnership?

In either case, what does the mechanism look like that could produce universal broadband?



Are you modeling your efforts at least in part of strategies that have been implemented elsewhere in the U.S. or the world?

Where do you see the intersection of federal and state policy to increase broadband access?



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