Committee: Mike Eng, Chair and Nancy Pearlman, Vice Chair. Absent: Miguel Santiago

Trustee Eng called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

None.

REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

Opening Comments

Trustee Eng thanked Ms. Perrin Reid, Executive Assistant to the Chancellor, for her services to the Committee and wished her well on her new endeavors. He indicated that Dr. Rose Marie Joyce will be Ms. Reid’s replacement on the Committee. He also thanked everyone who participated in the Community College League of California’s Legislative Conference and indicated that he has received numerous communications about the impact the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) has made by sending a contingency of presidents, Trustees, faculty and staff to relay the LACCD mission.

AB 1271 (Bonta and Jones-Sawyer) Inmate Education Programs: Computation of Apportionments

This bill would require the open course provisions in statute or regulations of the California Community Colleges (CCC) Board of Governors to be waived by a governing board of a community college district that provides classes for inmates and would authorize the CCC Board of Governors to include the units of full-time equivalent students generated in those classes for purposes of state apportionments. This bill would make revisions to the current method of computing apportionments for purposes of these inmate programs.

Documents entitled “AB 1271: Rehabilitation Through Education” and “AB 1271 (Bonta and Jones-Sawyer): Community colleges: inmate education programs: computation of apportionments” were distributed.

Mr. Patrick McCallum, Legislative Advocate, McCallum Group, Inc., discussed and recommended that the Committee support the proposed bill regarding AB 1271.

Motion by Trustee Pearlman, seconded by Trustee Eng to support AB 1271.

APPROVED: 2 Ayes
This bill would authorize the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges to authorize the establishment of a baccalaureate degree pilot program. The bill would require a participating district to meet specified requirements including, but not limited to, offering baccalaureate degrees in a limited number of fields of study and submitting a report to the Legislature at least one year prior to the expiration of the pilot program.

Documents entitled “FACT SHEET: SB 850 (Block) Community College Applied Baccalaureate Degrees” and “SB 850 (Block): Public postsecondary education: community college districts: baccalaureate degree pilot program” were distributed.

Mr. McCallum discussed the document with respect to SB 850 (Block).

Trustee Pearlman expressed her concern with respect to the cost and the hiring of new faculty for the baccalaureate program.

Interim Chancellor Barrera explained that the baccalaureate pilot program is a career technical program that will be entertained by each college that is able to demonstrate local workforce need. She indicated that the cost is still in discussion.

Trustee Eng stated that studies show that there is a need to produce an additional 60,000 baccalaureate degrees per year, on top of the 150,000 baccalaureates now being awarded by California’s public and private colleges. At this time Trustee Eng stated he is not going to ask for a motion to support SB 850 (Block) due to pending changes being made to the bill. He requested that this item be brought back to the Committee for further discussion.

Update on Dual Enrollment Proposal

Mr. Mark MacDonald, Legislative Advocate, McCallum Group Inc., gave an update on the status of AB 1451 (Holden) Concurrent Enrollment. He indicated that the bill is scheduled to be heard on March 18, 2014 by the Assembly Committee on Higher Education. He stated that the LACCD did a great job at the Community College League of California (CCLC) Annual Legislative Conference explaining the issues and how the colleges would utilize the flexibility that would come with this bill to increase student outcomes.

Preliminary Planning for March 2014 Sacramento Visit

Mr. McCallum discussed the purpose of the March 2014 Sacramento visit as it pertains to the LACCD legislative priorities.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

DISCUSSION

None.

SUMMARY – NEXT MEETING

None.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 1:56 p.m.