

Los Angeles Community College District
Board Committee Minutes: Legislative & Public Affairs (L&PA)
March 21, 2018

Committee Members: Mike Fong, Chair
Andra Hoffman, Vice Chair
Gabriel Buelna, Member
Scott J. Svonkin, Board Alternate
Maria Luisa Veloz, Staff Liaison
Marvin Martinez, College President Liaison

Agenda Items

Public Speakers

None

NEW BUSINESS

- State Legislative Report
Lizette Navarette, Vice President Community College League of California Federal Update Report
 - I. Review of 2018 Higher Education Bills
 - II. Update on FY 2018-2019 State Budget Issues
 1. Funding for Financial Aid Software and Tech Support
 2. On-line California Community College
 3. California Community College New Funding Formula
- Federal Update Report
-Leslie Pollner, Holland & Knight LLP

Brief Summary of the Topic(s) Discussed

A document entitled "Community College League of California, LACCD, March 2018" was distributed.

Ms. Lizette Navarette, Vice President, Community College League of California (CCLC), discussed the document with respect to the following legislation:

SB 1406 (Hill) Public Postsecondary Education: Community College Districts: Baccalaureate Degree Pilot Program. Staff Recommendation: Support.

AB 1037 (Limon) Cal Grant B Service Incentive Grant Program.
Staff Recommendation: Support

AB 1858 (Calderon) Student Financial Aid: Financial Aid Shopping Sheet.
Staff Recommendation: Watch; Advisory Committee on Legislation (ACL) Recommendation: Watch; and CEO Position: Watch.

AB 2306 (Santiago) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program.
Staff Recommendation: Support; ACL Recommendation: Support; and CEO Position: Support.

SB 1471 (Hernandez) Cal Grant Program Competitive Cal Grant A and B Awards.
Staff Recommendation: Support; ACL Recommendation Support; and CEO Position: Support

AB 2575 (Santiago): Dual Enrollment: Charter Schools and Private Schools.
Staff Recommendation: Support; ACL Recommendation: Support; and CEO Recommendation: Support.

AB 2891: (Holden): Dual Enrollment: Charter Schools.
Staff Recommendation: Support; ACL Recommendation: Support; and CEO Position: Support

Free Speech Polices:

- AB 2081 (Melendez)
- ACA 14 (Melendez)
- SB 1381 (Nielsen)
- SB 1388 (Anderson)

Staff Recommendation: Work with higher education coalition partners to ameliorate the impact of these bills.

ACL Recommendation: Oppose unless Amended

CEO Position: Oppose

Student Success: AB 1935 (Irwin) and SB 1009 (Wilk): Both bills would expand access to supervised tutoring for students in credit courses.

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With respect to the legislation language for Dual Enrollment in terms of *and/or*, Trustee Buelna requested that it clearly state that AB 2575 and AB 2891 include both Charter Schools and Private Schools.

Ms. Navarette responded that she would make the changes to reflect that in her presentation.

Ms. Navarette stated that AB 288 has a sunset provision and she is reaching out to Senator Holden for his consideration to work on removing it while expressing her desire to have the LACCD partner in support of this. She will keep Ms. Maria Luisa Veloz, Administrative Officer to the Chancellor, apprised on the process.

Ms. Navarette continued to discuss the State Budget Update with respect to the Buy Down Some Pension Liabilities, Effects of Current Funding Formula, Data-Informed and Equity Focused, 25 percent Equitable Success, 75 percent Access, Thoughtful & Phased-In, Categorical Program Structure, and Implementation Timeline.

With respect to the Student Equity & Success Program, Trustee Buelna expressed his concern that the partnerships with the Charter Schools and Private Schools be established well in advance in order to be ready for potential enrollment to increase by Fall 2019 with the potential passage of Dual Enrollment legislation.

A question and answer session was conducted with respect to the various efforts being implemented in order to be ready to launch the Dual Enrollment Program.

With respect to the 25 percent Equitable Success category, Chancellor Rodriguez inquired if there has been additional traction or interest for an "academic underprepared student factor."

Ms. Navarette responded that she would be happy to provide data points to the workgroup for their consideration in a future simulation and requested recommended data sets be forwarded to her for this purpose.

Ms. Leslie Pollner, Senior Policy Advisor, Holland & Knight, discussed a document entitled "Federal Policy Update" with respect to various issues of concern regarding the Fiscal Year 2018 Omnibus House Vote Delayed, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program, and Higher Education Act (HEA) Reauthorization.

Trustee Buelna expressed his concern regarding the census counted over the internet and requested an update on the process. He recommended that more funding be requested for hand-counting.

Ms. Pollner discussed various issues of concern with respect to the plan to have the census counted over the internet and the citizenship question in the 2020 Census Survey.

Trustee Buelna recommended that a resolution be created in support of an equitable 2020 census count and opposed the citizenship question. He requested that staff work with Ms. Pollner to create a resolution to be presented at a Board of Trustees meeting.

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Action Items and Follow-Up Questions

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OLD BUSINESS

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DISCUSSION

None

SUMMARY – NEXT MEETING

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.