

**Los Angeles Community College District
Board Committee Minutes: Legislative & Public Affairs (L&PA)**

December 12, 2018

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

Trustee Buelna, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 11:44 a.m.

Agenda Items

Roll Call

On roll call the following committee members were present: Dr. Gabriel Buelna, Vice Chair; Scott J. Svonkin, Member

Public Speakers

None

RECOMMENDATION ITEMS

2019-20 Federal Policy and Advocacy Proposals

- Federal Proposals: Leslie Pollner, Holland & Knight, LLP

2019-20 State Policy and Advocacy Proposals

- State Legislative Proposals: Dale Shimasaki, Strategic Education Services

2019-20 State Budget Proposal

- State Budget Proposals: Patrick McCallum, McCallum Group, Inc.

Brief Summary of the Topic(s) Discussed

Ms. Leslie Pollner, Holland & Knight LLP, reviewed a document entitled "Holland & Knight Federal Update" and gave a brief overview of key issues impacting the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) which included an update on the government shutdown and federal agencies impacted. She stated that the priorities

of the democratic leadership include ethics reform, DACA, gun control, prescription pricing control, equality act, and an infrastructure package.

Ms. Pollner continued with an update on proposed Title IX changes, census citizenship trial, STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Education report, and veterans' benefits package.

A question and answer session was conducted on the information presented.

Dr. Dale Shimasaki, Strategic Education Services, gave a presentation entitled "Legislative Update – Legislative and Public Affairs Committee". He reviewed the legislative calendar and gave a brief on the following proposed LACCD legislation:

- California Community College Promise Year Two
- Extension of Cal Grant from 4 to 6 years
- Best value procurement
- Increased financial aid opportunities for undocumented students
- Undocumented work study bill
- Food Insecurity bill

(Trustee Vela arrived at 12:01 p.m.)

A question and answer session was conducted on the presentation.

Two additional items of discussion were dual enrollment and the full-time faculty obligation number (FON). In terms of dual enrollment, AB30 deletes the sunset on AB288 enabling community college courses to be taught at local high schools. With respect to the FON, Chancellor Rodriguez explained that the proposal considers noncredit courses and non-credit faculty to count towards satisfying the FON. Currently, the California Code of Regulations (CCR) title five requires districts to increase the number of full-time faculty of the prior year in proportion to the amount of growth in funded credit FTES.

Mr. Patrick McCallum, The McCallum Group, reported on the state budget items for 2019-20. He briefed the Committee on priority initiatives at the state level which focus on housing, preschool, and health care in addition to priorities developed by coalition. He continued with an update on the following LACCD budget priorities for 2019:

- College Promise
- Funding Dream Centers at LACCD Colleges
- Funding Formula – Promise Grant (BOG Fee Waiver)
- Extension/Removal of Sunset Date on Dual Enrollment
- Faculty Support and Diversity

A question and answer session was conducted on the information presented.

Trustee Vela recommended to incorporate LGBTQ support within the Dream Resource Centers' language and the Committee concurred.

Ms. Maria Luisa Veloz, Administrative Officer to the Chancellor, reviewed a handout entitled "Education Legislation" dated 12/11/2018 which summarizes 21 assembly bills related to education throughout the state. The Committee briefly discussed the measures related to early childhood education programs, homeless children and youth reporting, and workforce training programs. Trustee Svonkin requested more information on the measures that directly impact LACCD students in addition to AB16, AB23, SB3 and SB14.

The Committee also reviewed a document entitled "2019-2020 Legislative Committee (First Session)" which summarizes LACCD legislative and budget proposals.

Before approving the LACCD legislative proposals, clarification was provided on the "faculty support and diversity" budget item noting that if funding becomes available for faculty hires then it should encourage and incentivize the hiring of diverse faculty.

Motion by Trustee Svonkin, second by Trustee Buelna, to support the 2019-2020 LACCD legislative proposals for recommendation to the full Board.

APPROVED: 3 Ayes (Svonkin, Buelna, Vela)

FUTURE DISCUSSION/AGENDA ITEMS

None

FUTURE MEETING DATES

The next Legislative and Public Affairs Committee is scheduled for January 9, 2019.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.