
LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MINUTES

Coast Community College District
Regular Meeting of the Legislative Affairs Committee*
Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at 3:00 p.m.
Board Conference Room
1370 Adams Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Trustee Present: Trustee Moreno and Trustee Prinsky
Trustees Absent: None

In Attendance: Dr. John Weispfenning, Chancellor; Dr. Andreea Serban, Vice Chancellor of Educational Services and Technology; Ms. Letitia Clark, District Director of Public Affairs, Marketing and Government Relations; Mr. Casey Elliott, Townsend Public Affairs State Capitol Director; Ms. Sophia Sadaat, Townsend Public Affairs Associate; Ms. Chelsea Vongehr, Townsend Public Affairs Associate; Ms. Jane Burton, Interim Secretary of the Board

Also in Attendance: Ms. Laura Kroeger, Townsend Public Affairs Associate, participated through teleconference.

3. Opportunity for Public Comment

There were no requests to address the Legislative Affairs Committee during Public Comment.

4. Approval of Minutes: Meeting of May 11, 2016

On a motion by Trustee Moreno, seconded by Trustee Prinsky, the Committee voted to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 11, 2016.

Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: Trustee Moreno and Trustee Prinsky
No: None
Absent: None

5. Update on Community College Legislation

a. Federal

Ms. Vongehr introduced Ms. Kroeger, Townsend Public Affairs Associate via teleconference. Ms. Kroeger provided a comprehensive overview on Community College Legislation at the Federal level. Trustee Moreno requested a matrix to show all steps of bill development. Ms. Vongehr volunteered to prepare a matrix summarizing the bills and add as a cover sheet for the next meeting. Ms. Kroeger discussed the current status and progress of the following Federal bills:

i. Support

a. America's College Promise Act of 2015

i. H.R. 2962 (Scott)

ii. S. 1716 (Baldwin)

ii. Watch

a. Higher Education Reauthorization (to be introduced next year)

b. H.R. 242 (Sanchez) All-Year ACCESS Act

c. H.R. 1287 (DeSantis) Higher Education Reform Opportunity Act

i. The Committee requested additional information on H.R. 1287.

d. H.R. 5587 (Glenn) Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act

i. The Committee requested a resolution be prepared for November 2, 2016 Board Meeting and a letter in support from Chancellor Weispfenning be written on behalf of the Committee.

e. S. 2718 (Kaine) Perkins Fund for Equity and Excellence Act

b. State

Ms. Vongehr introduced Mr. Elliott, Townsend Public Affairs State Capitol Director and Ms. Sadaat, Townsend Public Affairs Associate. A comprehensive overview was presented on the following State bills:

i. Support

a. AB 1721 (Medina) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program

b. AB 1892 (Medina) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant C Awards

c. SB 1406 (Mendoza) Construction-Related Accessibility: Education Entities

ii. Oppose

a. AB 2738 (Olsen) School Bonds: Local School Bonds: Investment

iii. Watch

a. AB 1690 (Medina) Community Colleges: Part-Time, Temporary Employees

b. AB 1741 (Rodriguez) California College Promise Innovation Grant Program

c. AB 1846 (Lopez) Adult Education Block Grant Program: Report

d. AB 1936 (Chavez) Public Postsecondary Education: Residency: Dependents of Armed Forces Member

e. AB 1995 (Williams) Community Colleges: Homeless Students: Access to Shower Facilities

f. AB 2017 (McCarty) College Mental Health Services Program

g. AB 2222 (Holden) Transit Pass Program: Free or Reduced-Fare Transit Passes

- h. AB 2494 (Hernandez) Veteran Resource Centers Grant Program
- i. SB 412 (Glazer) Public Postsecondary Education: The California Promise
- j. SB 1359 (Block) Public Postsecondary Education: Course Materials
 - i. Trustee Moreno requested that Dr. Serban submit to the Committee a memo on the implementation process as it is being developed. Law is effective January 1, 2018.
- k. SB 1379 (Mendoza) Community Colleges: Part-Time, Temporary Employees
- l. SB 1450 (Glazer) The California Promise

c. Items of Interest

Ms. Vongehr and Ms. Kroeger updated the Committee on the following items of interest:

- i. Open Educational Resources (OER)
- ii. Veterans Resources
- iii. Bond Accountability
- iv. Part-Time Faculty
- v. Accreditation

6. Discussion of 2017-18 Legislative Platform

Mr. Elliott reviewed and responded to questions on the 2017-18 Legislative Platform. The Committee requested that Ms. Clark send a letter of appreciation on behalf of the Committee and the Chancellor, to the Legislators for their work in supporting the Committee's causes.

7. Future Meeting Dates

- a. January 11, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

8. Future Agenda Items

- a. State and Federal Updates

9. Adjourn

On a motion by Trustee Prinsky, seconded by Trustee Moreno, the Committee voted to adjourn the meeting at 4:13 p.m.

Motion carried with the following vote:

Aye:	Trustee Moreno and Trustee Prinsky
No:	None
Absent:	None


 Interim Secretary of the Board

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