
LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MINUTES

Coast Community College District
Special Meeting of the Legislative Affairs Committee
April 27, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.
Board Conference Room
1370 Adams Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Trustee Present: Trustee Prinsky, and Trustee Patterson
Trustees Absent: None

In Attendance: Letitia Clark, District Director of Public Affairs, Marketing and Government Relations; Dr. Andy Dunn, Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administrative Services; Casey Elliott, Townsend Public Affairs State Capitol Director; Chelsea Vongehr, Townsend Public Affairs Associate; Jane Burton, Interim Secretary of the Board

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

3. Opportunity for Public Comment

Student Trustee Stephanie Eichman acknowledged Townsend Public Affairs for their assistance with OCC Political Science Honor's Society's recent visit to the Capitol.

4. Approval of Minutes: Meeting of March 2, 2017

On a motion by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Prinsky, the Committee voted to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of March 2, 2017.

Motion carried with the following vote:

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

5. Update on Community College Legislation

a. Federal

- Ms. Kroeger, Townsend Public Affairs Associate, was introduced via teleconference and provided an update and handout of the Federal Community College Legislation.

- Letters and Resolutions were delivered to the appropriate people for the BRIDGE Act and JOBS Act; no version of either BRIDGE Act (H.R. 496 and S. 128) or the JOBS Act (S. 206) have moved forward at this time.
- Ms. Kroeger provided an update on the following bills in the watch category: H.R. 338, H.R. 996, and H.R. 1050. No movement as of now; these would continue to be watched.
- Ms. Kroeger provided information on the Newly introduced legislation:
 - H.R. 1609 (Langevin) Department of Defense Cyber Scholarship Program Act: Similar to bill S. 592.
 - H.R. 1837 (Norcross) 21st Century Energy Workforce Act
 - H.R. 1880 (Jayapal) College for All Act: Similar to bill S. 806
 - H.R. 2041 (Loebsack) New Jobs Training Act
 - H.R. 2045 (Lujan) Community College Energy Training Act
 - H.R. 2046 (Lujan) Peer-Support Specialist Act
 - S. 592 (Kaine) Department of Defense Cyber Scholarship Program Act: Similar to bill H.R. 1609
 - S. 620 (Franken) Community College to Career Act
 - S. 748 (Menendez) PROFILED Act: Just introduced; relevant to the BRIDGE Act, but more specific. Bans immigration enforcement at Community Colleges.
 - S. 806 (Sanders) College for All Act: Similar to H.R. 1880
- Trustee Prinsky inquired about letters; Ms. Kroeger advised the committee to hold off on letters for legislation in the “new” category until there was an indication of movement.
- Ms. Kroeger asked if the committee was interested in keeping an eye on all “new” bills; Trustee Prinsky and Trustee Patterson agreed to move all “new” federal bills into the “watch” category.

b. State

- Mr. Elliot provided an overview of the State bills; stating that there was plenty of movement on State bills.

Support:

- SB 769 (Hill) Baccalaureate Degree Pilot Program: Heard in the Senate Education Committee on April 26th and passed 7-0 out of committee. Adjustments to the bill: went down by 5 programs, extended the existing sunset by 5 years, 100-mile radius to duplicate CSU or UC program, 1 program per college. Trustee Prinsky requested that Mr. Elliot send a link to report when it comes out.

Watch:

- AB 17 (Holden) Transit Pass Program: Free or Reduced-Fare Transit Passes: Heard in the Assembly Transportation Committee on April 24th and passed 11-3 on April 26th. It was be moved to the Assembly Appropriations Committee next.
- AB 19 (Santiago) Community Colleges: Enrollment Fee Waiver: \$31.6 million a year, moved out of the Assembly Higher Education Committee, considered in the Assembly Appropriations Committee-

moved to Suspense. Due to cost implication, Mr. Elliot felt it would be shelved for a while.

- AB 52 (Cooper) Public Employees: Orientation and Informational Programs: 2-year bill. Did not move; dead.
- AB 95 (Jones-Sawyer) Public Postsecondary Education: California State University: Baccalaureate Degree Pilot Program: 2-year bill
- AB 204 (Medina) Community Colleges: Waiver of Enrollment Fees: Passed 13-0 out of the Higher Education Committee. Currently in Assembly Appropriations Committee and referred to the Suspense File.
- AB 304 (Eggman) Public Utilities Commission: Intervenor Compensation: 2-year bill, not moving this year.
- AB 310 (Medina) Part-Time Faculty Office Hours: 2-year bill, not moving this year.
- AB 370 (Rodriguez) Student Financial Aid: Competitive Cal Grant A and B Awards: Moved into the Assembly Appropriations Committee, currently in the Suspense File.
- AB 393 (Quirk-Silva) Public Postsecondary Education: Mandatory System Wide Fees and Tuition: Passed by the Assembly Higher Education Committee 13-0 and referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.
- AB 405 (Irwin) Public Postsecondary Education: Community College Districts: Baccalaureate Degree Cybersecurity Pilot Program: 2-year bill, not moving this year.
- AB 618 (Low) Local Agency Public Construction Act: Job Order Contracting: Passed by the Assembly Higher Education Committee and moved into the Assembly Appropriations Committee. No hearing date set- would monitor. It was suggested that Dr. Dunn discuss this bill with the Chancellor.
- AB 1563 (Medina) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant C Awards: Similar to SB 15. Passed 10-2 and referred to the Assembly Appropriations Committee; continue to move.
- SB 7 (Moorlach) School District and Community College District Bonds: Project Information: Not dead yet, still monitoring.
- SB 15 (Leyva) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant C Awards: Similar to AB 1563. Passed unanimously into the Assembly Appropriations Committee, continue to move
- SB 319 (Nguyen) Public Postsecondary Education: Remedial Coursework: Will be heard May 1st in the Senate Appropriations Committee. Mr. Elliot suggested that it would most likely be referred to the Suspense File.
- SB 478 (Portantino) Public Postsecondary Education: Transfer of Community College Students to the California State University or University of California. Went to Senate Appropriations Committee Suspense File; difficult bill to move.
- SB 677 (Moorlach) California Community Colleges: Prohibited Acts: Electronic Listening or Recording Devices: Heard in the Senate Judiciary Committee on April 25th and died 2-1

On a motion by Trustee Prinsky, seconded by Trustee Patterson, the Committee voted for Townsend to write letters to bring AB 17, AB 1563 and SB 15 to the full Board of Trustees for their review and consideration of support.

Motion carried with the following vote:

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

6. Discussion of 2017-2018 State Budget and Community College Capital Outlay Bond Program Update:

Mr. Elliot provided an update on State Budget and Community College Capital Outlay Bond Program:

- a. May Revise – around May 15th, maybe 5/11-5/12 or 5/15-5/16.
- b. June 15th – Final Resolution on the State Budget
- c. Dr. Dunn recommended sending an advocacy letter similar to the Capital Facilities letter to Budget Chairs, Sub Committees, and Delegation regarding Proposition 98 Split, Increasing the base Augmentation, Capital Facilities.
- d. Townsend was directed to draft a letter from Chancellor and Board on behalf of the District advocating for a restoration of the traditional Proposition 98 split and additional funding for base augmentation. Ms. Clark will get the Chancellor's approval on the drafted letter.

On a motion by Trustee Prinsky, seconded by Trustee Patterson, the Committee voted to recommend the full Board of Trustees' review and consideration of a letter drafted by Townsend, on behalf of the District, advocating for a restoration of the traditional Proposition 98 split and additional funding for base augmentation.

Motion carried with the following vote:

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

7. Future Meeting Dates

The next meeting was scheduled for June 22, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

Motion carried with the following vote:

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

8. Future Agenda Items

- a. Monitoring all bills in the "watch" category
- b. Townsend's 3 drafted Support Letters and Budget Letters

9. Adjourn

On a motion by Trustee Prinsky, seconded by Trustee Patterson, the Committee voted to adjourn the meeting at 3:40 p.m.

Motion carried with the following vote:

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

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Jane Burson", is written over a horizontal line.

Interim Secretary of the Board