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# LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MINUTES

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**Coast Community College District**  
**Special Meeting of the Legislative Affairs Committee**  
**Thursday, September 6, 2018 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 2:02 p.m.

**2. Roll Call**

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

**In Attendance:** Dr. John Weispfenning, Chancellor; Dr. Andreea Serban, Vice Chancellor of Educational Services and Technology; Dr. Andy Dunn, Vice Chancellor of Finance and Administrative Services; Dr. Miles Nevin, Director Chancellor's Office Operations and Projects; Michael Scott, Director of Adult Education Program; Austin Webster, Townsend Public Affairs Senior Associate; Jane Burton, Manager, Board Support Services/Board Secretary.

Also in attendance: 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 June 12, 2018**

On a motion by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Prinsky, the Committee voted to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of June 12, 2018.

Motion carried with the following vote:

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

**5. Review, Discuss, and Possible Action on Federal Community College Legislation**

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Ms. Kroeger provided an update on Federal Community College Legislation. She highlighted the following bills shown below in bold font: H.R. 2353 (Thompson) Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act, H.R. 4508 (Foxx) PROSPER Act, H.R. 6157 (Granger) Vehicle for the Fiscal 2019 Defense and Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations Minibus, and H.R. 6543 (Scott) Aim Higher Act. As Federal Legislature was completing its two-year session, many bills were being watched but not moving anywhere.

In regards to H.R. 2353, Trustee Patterson requested Townsend to provide an analysis on how the District could procure grants.

Mr. Webster reported that President Trump nominated Robert L. King to fill the vacancy of Assistant Secretary for Postsecondary Education, which would be the first official person in that position since the current administration took office. Dr. King was formerly the Chancellor for the State University of New York and served in various capacities at the state level but was new to the federal level.

a. Support

- **H.R. 2353 (Thompson) Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act:** Passed House and Senate; signed by the President and became law on July 31, 2018.
- H.R. 2434 (Mitchell) College Transparency Act
- H.R. 496 (Coffman) BRIDGE Act
- S. 128 (Graham) BRIDGE Act
- S. 206 (Klaine/Portman) JOBS Act
- S. 1121 (Hatch) College Transparency Act

b. Oppose

- **H.R. 4508 (Foxx) PROSPER Act:** Republican's proposal to reauthorize the Higher Education Act; no movement was reported. In response, Democrats introduced their version of the Higher Education Act reauthorization as H.R. 6543 Aim Higher Act (bill summary listed under the watch category); referred to the House Education and Workforce Committee.

c. Watch

- **H.R. 6157 (Granger) Vehicle for the Fiscal 2019 Defense and Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations Minibus:** Senate tacked on Labor-HSS-Education funding and included \$1.13 billion for Federal Work Study, which was similar to last year, \$24.45 billion for Pell Grants, which was a slight increase from last year, and \$1.2 billion for Carl D. Perkins, which was similar to last year. The House had not yet considered education funding levels and proposed same numbers as the Senate for Federal Work Study and Pell Grants and \$1.3 billion for Carl D. Perkins.
- **H.R. 6543 (Scott) Aim Higher Act:** Would increase access to current loan programs, increase benefits to students and borrowers, increase authorized spending levels for Pell Grants, TRIO, and GEAR UP, reauthorize the Perkins Loan Program, restructure Federal Work-Study, and add new

reporting and regulatory requirements for institutions. Ms. Kroeger made a recommendation to wait on taking an action until after mid-term elections.

- S. 2390 (Duckworth) Community College to Career Act
- H.R. 338 (Rush) To Promote a 21st Century Energy and Manufacturing Workforce
- H.R. 996 (Kihuen) STEP for Veterans Act
- H.R. 1050 (Larsen) Youth Access to American Jobs Act
- H.R. 1609 (Langevin) Department of Defense Cyber Scholarship Program Act
- H.R. 1837 (Norcross) 21st Century Energy Workforce Act
- H.R. 1880 (Jayapal) College for All Act
- 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
- H.R. 2260 (Carbajal) Middle Class CHANCE Act
- H.R. 2451 (Davis) Pell Grant Preservation and Expansion Act
- H.R. 2782 (Bonamici) RISE Act
- H.R. 3174 (Moulton) CHANCE in TECH Act
- H.R. 3199 (Desaulnier) Improving Access to Higher Education Act
- H.R. 3204 (Aguilar) On-the-Job Training Tax Credit Act
- S. 592 (Kaine) Department of Defense Cyber Scholarship Program Act
- S. 748 (Menendez) PROFILED Act
- S. 806 (Sanders) College for All Act
- S. 996 (Heinrich) Middle Class CHANCE Act
- S. 1043 (Bennet) Pay for Student Success Act
- S. 1136 (Hirono) Pell Grant Preservation and Expansion Act
- S. 1295 (Casey) RISE Act
- S. 1518 (Gardner) CHANCE in TECH Act
- S. 1615 (Graham) and H.R. 3440 (Roybal-Allard) Dream Act
- H.R. 1468 (Curbelo) Recognizing America's Children (RAC) Act
- H.R. 4286 (Loebsack) VET Act
- S. 2422 (Stabenow) New Skills for New Jobs Act
- H.R. 5020 (Loebsack) CTE Act
- H.R. 5018 (Kind) Education and Workforce Innovation Act

## **6. Review, Discuss, and Possible Action on State Community College Legislation**

Mr. Webster provided an update on State Community College Legislation. He reported the end of the two-year cycle of this Legislative Session and that all bills would either be acted on or dead. Last year, 2,637 bills were introduced by the Legislature, of that 1,217 were passed to the Governor for final approval or veto by September 30, 2018.

Mr. Webster reported on the status of the following bills:

### **a. Support**

- **AB 1805 (Irwin D) Seymour-Campbell Student Success Act of 2012: Matriculation: Assessment and Placement:** Passed and sent to the Governor's office; anticipated to be signed into law.

- **AB 1935 (Irwin D) Community Colleges: Tutoring:** Failed deadline; held in the Assembly Appropriations Suspense File. With the new funding formula, members felt it was prudent not to be making other drastic changes; there would be a push in the next session to bring this bill back.
- **AB 2070 (Reyes D) Postsecondary Education: Sexual Assault and Sexual Violence Prevention Training:** Passed early on in this session and was promptly vetoed by the Governor who convened a panel of industry experts to evaluate what the existing laws were in California, how they were being implemented, processes that needed improvement, and things that needed clarification or to be more regularly enforced. The outcome of this panel and working group found that AB 2070 sought to do what was currently permissible under existing law and districts could implement it on their own from a local control perspective.
- **AB 2306 (Santiago D) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program:** Failed deadline; held in the Assembly Appropriations Suspense File.
- **AB 2477 (Rubio D) Student Support Services: Dream Resource Liaisons:** Passed and sent to the Governor's office; 50/50 chance of being signed into law. The Governor preferred these decisions to be made on a local level and could easily veto AB 2477 and encourage colleges to implement these rules themselves.
- **AB 2891 (Holden D) High School and Community College Dual Enrollment: College and Career Access Pathways Partnerships: Charter Schools:** Failed deadline, held in the Assembly Appropriations Suspense File. There were a couple bills that were similar in regards to Dual Enrollment, this particular one got cut from the process; additional discussion expected in the next session.
- **SB 691 (Lara D) Educational Equity: Immigration Status:** Ordered to inactive file on request of Senator Lara, which meant the bill would no longer be discussed or worked on. Senator Lara expanded the contents of SB 183 (Lara D) Educational Equity: Immigration Status, which was passed by both houses and sent to the Governor for signature. SB 183 was previously listed in the watch category and because the District took a previous support position on SB 691, the District would now support SB 183 in its place.
- **SB 1009 (Wilk R) Community Colleges: Tutoring:** Would likely be reconciled with AB 1935; failed deadline, held in Senate Appropriations Suspense File.
- **SB 1471 (Hernandez D) Cal Grant Program: Competitive Cal Grant A and B Awards:** Failed deadline; held in Senate Appropriations Suspense File.

b. Watch

- **AB 3101 (Carrillo D) Community Colleges:** Would streamline the CCCApply application and enrollment process for students to use more easily and for data to be collected and distributed to the chancellor's office. Measure passed by both houses and sent to the Governor's office; anticipated to be signed into law. Chancellor Weispfenning previously wrote letters of support on AB 3101 at the request of the Los Angeles District Chancellor.

Mr. Webster also provided the following updates:

- There was no anticipation for any major transitions on relevant committees that the District worked with, which would provide great stability and a good understanding of what to expect over the next two years
- Legislature would reconvene one more time on December 3, 2018 for their final session and adjournment
- New Legislature would reconvene on January 3, 2019
- Trustee Patterson inquired if any letters should be drafted and sent; Mr. Webster said he could verbally communicate any support or opposition or the Committee could vote to authorize Chancellor Weispfenning to send a letter on bill change SB 691 to SB 183.

On a motion by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Prinsky, the Committee voted to authorize the Chancellor to address a letter of support for SB 183 (Lara D) Educational Equity: Immigration Status in lieu of the previously supported SB 691 (Lara D) Educational Equity: Immigration Status.

Motion carried with the following vote:

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

## **7. Review, Discuss, and Possible Action on Other Items**

- a. Ms. Clark reported that the OC Legislative Task Force would be resuming their meetings this month and as CCCD is the host this year, all meetings would be held at the District office over the course of the year.

## **8. Future Meeting Dates**

On a motion by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Prinsky, the Committee voted to hold the next meeting on January 17, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

Motion carried with the following vote:

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

## **9. Future Agenda Items**

- a. Preparation for New Legislative Session
- b. Tutoring
- c. Governor's Budget

## **10. Adjourn**

On a motion by Trustee Patterson, seconded by Trustee Prinsky, the Committee voted to adjourn the meeting at 2:50 p.m.

Motion carried with the following vote:

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

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

Secretary of the Board