

Rancho Santiago Community College District (RSCCD)

BOARD LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

2323 North Broadway, #114

Santa Ana, California

Monday, May 14, 2018

MINUTES

1.0 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1.1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:09 p.m. by Mr. John Hanna. Other member present: Mr. Zeke Hernandez.

Others present: Mr. Casey Elliott (Townsend Public Affairs [TPA], Sacramento), Mr. Austin Webster (TPA), Mr. Enrique Perez, Dr. Raúl Rodríguez, Ms. Monica Zarske, Mr. Michael DeCarbo, and Ms. Anita Lucarelli as record keeper. Ms. Laura Kroeger (TPA, Washington, D.C.) was present via teleconference.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Hanna.

1.3 Public Comment

There were no public comments.

1.4 Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Mr. Hernandez and seconded by Mr. Hanna to approve the minutes of October 12, 2017. The motion carried with the following vote: Mr. Hanna and Mr. Hernandez.

2.0 GENERAL

Since representatives from TPA arrived late, the committee considered Item 2.2 at this time.

2.2 Update on Federal Immigration Activity and Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)

The committee discussed legislation relating to DACA students. Mr. Elliott and Mr. Webster arrived during the discussion and Ms. Kroeger participated via telephone upon their arrival. TPA provided an update on the DACA issue.

2.2 Update on Federal Immigration Activity and Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) (cont.)

The committee asked that the following action be taken to the full board for consideration:

- a) a letter in support of signing a discharge petition which will allow debate and voting on all bills representing the DACA program be sent to all members of the House of Representatives, particularly those members that represent the RSCCD area;
- b) a copy of the abovementioned letter be sent to Senator Dianne Feinstein, Senator Kamela Harris and Governor Jerry Brown;
- c) a copy of the abovementioned letter and a request be sent to the Academic Senate presidents, student presidents, and classified union's president urging them to adopt a resolution and/or request all members of Congress, particularly those members that represent the RSCCD area, to sign a discharge petition which will allow debate and voting on all bills representing the DACA program;
- d) a copy of the abovementioned letter be sent to other community college districts in Orange County; and
- e) a copy of the abovementioned letter be sent to Chancellor Eloy Oakley.

In addition, the committee requested that the board president send correspondence to the California Community League of California (CCLC) to encourage them to contact legislators to request support in signing a discharge petition.

2.1 Overview of Governor's Proposed Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget

The committee discussed the Governor's proposed fiscal year 2018-2019 budget, including the proposal of an online college and performance-based funding for community colleges.

The committee recommended that the full board consider urging the Legislative Analyst's Office (LAO) to conduct a study on the feasibility of creating an exclusively online community college and utilize regional community college consortiums or existing district models to facilitate increased online participation in all community college courses. In addition, the committee recommends the LAO study include meetings between the chancellor, CCLC Chief Executive Officers Board, and statewide Academic Senate; and the LAO report its findings to the Legislature on or before July 1, 2019.

In addition, the committee recommends that the full board consider authorizing the chancellor to write a letter taking a position to ensure that performance-based funding would be inclusive, not exclusive.

2.3 Review of House of Representatives (H.R.) 496 (Coffman) Bar Removal of Individuals Who Dream and Grow Our Economy (BRIDGE) Act

The committee discussed H.R. 496 BRIDGE Act and asked the chancellor to draft an updated letter of support for legislation to extend protection for DACA students and Dreamers, and provide a pathway to citizenship. The committee made the recommendation to have the full board consider supporting the bill. Mr. Hanna asked that the record reflect that the Academic Senate presidents expressed support of the bill.

2.4 Review of H.R. 2353 (Thompson) Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act

The committee discussed H.R. 2353 Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act and made the recommendation to have the full board consider supporting the bill.

2.5 Review of H.R. 2434 (Mitchell) College Transparency Act

The committee was unable to review the bill due to lack of time.

2.6 Review of Senate (S.) 128 (Graham) BRIDGE Act

The committee reviewed S. 128 BRIDGE Act and made the recommendation to have the full board consider supporting the bill. Mr. Hanna asked that the record reflect that the Academic Senate presidents expressed support of the bill.

2.7 Review of S. 206 (Kaine/Portman) Jumpstart Our Businesses by Supporting Students (JOBS) Act

Ms. Kroeger provided a brief update on S. 206 JOBS Act.

2.8 Review of S. 1121 (Hatch) College Transparency Act

Ms. Kroeger provided a brief update on S. 1121 College Transparency Act.

2.9 Review of H.R. 4508 (Foxx) Promoting Real Opportunity, Success, and Prosperity through Education Reform Act (PROSPER) Act

Ms. Kroeger provided a brief update on H.R. 4508 PROSPER Act.

2.10 Review of Assembly Bill (AB) 1805 (Irwin) Seymour-Campbell Student Success Act of 2012: Matriculation: Assessment and Placement

The committee reviewed AB 1805 Seymour-Campbell Student Success Act of 2012: Matriculation: Assessment and Placement and made no recommendation at this time.

2.11 Review of Assembly Bill (AB) 1935 (Irwin) Community Colleges: Tutoring

The committee reviewed AB 1935 Community Colleges: Tutoring and made the recommendation to have the full board consider supporting the bill.

2.12 Review of AB 2070 (Reyes) - Postsecondary Education: Sexual Assault and Sexual Violence Prevention Training

The committee was unable to review the bill due to lack of time.

2.13 Review of AB 2306 (Santiago) – Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program

The committee reviewed AB 2306 – Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program and made the recommendation to have the full board consider supporting the bill if the supplemental block grant is part of the new funding formula. Mr. Webster indicated that the bill had changes made to it last week and is not sure if this is included in the trailer bill at this time.

2.14 Review of AB 2477 (Rubio) – Student support services: Dream Resource Liaisons

The committee reviewed AB 2477 – Student support services: Dream Resource Liaisons and made the recommendation to have the full board consider supporting the bill. Mr. Hanna asked that the record reflect that the Academic Senate presidents expressed support of the bill.

2.15 Review of AB 2891 (Holden) - High School and Community College Dual Enrollment: College and Career Access Pathways Partnerships: Charter Schools

The committee was unable to review the bill due to lack of time.

2.16 Review of Senate Bill (SB) 691 (Lara) – Educational Equity: Immigration Status

The committee was unable to review the bill due to lack of time.

2.17 Review of SB 1009 (Wilk) – Community Colleges: Tutoring

The committee was unable to review the bill due to lack of time.

2.18 Review of SB 1406 (Hill) - Public Postsecondary Education: Community College Districts: Baccalaureate Degree Pilot Program

The committee reviewed SB 1406 – Public Postsecondary Education: Community College Districts: Baccalaureate Degree Pilot Program and made the recommendation to have the full board consider supporting the bill.

2.19 Review of SB 1471 (Hernandez) - Cal Grant Program: Competitive Cal Grant A and B awards

The committee was unable to review the bill due to lack of time.

2.20 Report by Townsend Public Affairs on State and Federal issues not already listed on Agenda

This item was provided as information. The only bill the committee had time to review was AB 2621 – Postsecondary education: California Community Colleges during Item 2.1 (Governor’s Proposed Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget).

2.21 Proposal of Future Agenda Items

There were no proposals of future agenda items.

3.0 ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hanna declared the meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

Minutes approved: January 15, 2019