

Rancho Santiago Community College District (RSCCD)

BOARD LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

2323 North Broadway, #114

Santa Ana, California

Monday, March 18, 2019

MINUTES

1.0 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1.1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m. by Mr. Zeke Hernandez. Other member present: Mr. John Hanna.

Others present: Mr. Austin Webster (Townsend Public Affairs [TPA], Sacramento), Mr. Enrique Perez, Dr. Raúl Rodríguez, 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 Ms. Lucarelli.

1.3 Public Comment

There were no public comments.

1.4 Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Mr. Hanna and seconded by Mr. Hernandez to approve the minutes of January 15, 2019. The motion carried with the following vote: Mr. Hanna and Mr. Hernandez.

2.0 GENERAL

2.1 Review of House of Representatives (H.R.) 656 (Correa) – Development, Relief, and Education for Alien Minors Act (DREAMers), Immigrants, and Refugees Legal Aid Act

The committee discussed H.R. 656 – DREAMers, Immigrants, and Refugees Legal Aid Act and made the recommendation to have the full board consider supporting the bill with a recommendation to the author for inclusion of more students.

2.2 Review of H.R. 6 (Roybal-Allard, Velazquez, Clarke) – The American Dream and Promise Act of 2019

The committee discussed H.R. 6 – The American Dream and Promise Act of 2019 and made the recommendation to have the full board consider supporting the bill with concerns over grouping 429,000 immigrants with DREAMers.

2.3 Review of Senate (S.) 416 (Cardin) and H.R. 1075 (Cummings) – Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Fairness Act of 2019

The committee discussed S. 416 and H.R. 1075 – FAFSA Fairness Act of 2019 and made the recommendation to have the full board consider supporting the bill.

2.4 Review of H.R. 640 (Doggett) – Student Aid Simplification Act

The committee discussed H.R. 640 – Student Aid Simplification Act and made the recommendation to have the full board consider supporting the bill.

2.5 Review of Assembly Bill (AB) 30 (Holden) – Community Colleges: College and Career Access Pathways Partnerships

The committee discussed AB 30 – Community Colleges: College and Career Access Pathways Partnerships and made the recommendation to have the full board consider supporting the bill.

2.6 Review of AB 48 (O'Donnell) - Kindergarten-Community Colleges Public Education Facilities Bond Acts of 2020 and 2022

The committee discussed AB 48 – Kindergarten-Community Colleges Public Education Facilities Bond Acts of 2020 and 2022, and made the recommendation to have the full board consider supporting the bill if amended or receives consideration of a legislative counsel letter.

2.7 Review of AB 239 (Salas) – Community Colleges: Registered Nursing Programs

The committee discussed AB 239 – Community Colleges: Registered Nursing Programs and made the recommendation to have the full board consider supporting the bill.

2.8 Review of AB 595 (Medina) – Community Colleges: Apprenticeship Programs

The committee discussed AB 595 – Community Colleges: Apprenticeship Programs and made the recommendation to have the full board consider supporting the bill.

2.9 Review of Senate Bill (SB) 291 (Leyva) – Postsecondary Education: California Community College Student Financial Aid Program

The committee discussed SB 291 – Postsecondary Education: California Community College Student Financial Aid Program and made the recommendation to have the full board consider supporting the bill.

2.10 Review of State Legislation

The committee reviewed a list of state legislation, including AB 302 (Berman) – Parking: homeless students; AB 500 (Gonzalez) – School and community college employees: paid maternity leave; AB 897 (Medina) – Community colleges: part-time employees; and SB 777 (Rubio) Community colleges: full-time instruction.

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

Ms. Kroeger reported that DACA is in a holding pattern at the current time and there is nothing new to report.

2.12 Review of Federal Legislation

The committee reviewed a list of federal legislation, including H.R. 1 (Lofgren) - For the People Act and H.R. 768 (Hunter) - No Funding for Sanctuary Campuses Act.

2.13 Proposal of Future Agenda Items

The committee proposed that the next meeting be scheduled after May 17, 2019.

3.0 ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hernandez declared the meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Minutes approved: August 5, 2019