

Rancho Santiago Community College District

BOARD LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

2323 North Broadway, #103
Santa Ana, California

Wednesday, May 18, 2016

MINUTES

1.0 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1.1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:46 p.m. by Ms. Nelida Mendoza Yanez. Other members present: Mr. John Hanna; Mr. Larry Labrado arrived at the time noted.

Others present: Ms. Chelsea Vongehr (Townsend Public Affairs [TPA]), Dr. Raúl Rodríguez, and Ms. Anita Lucarelli as record keeper. Mr. Casey Elliott (TPA, Sacramento) was present via teleconference.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Vongehr.

1.3 Public Comment

There was no public comments.

1.4 Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Mr. Hanna and seconded by Ms. Mendoza Yanez to approve the minutes of March 7, 2016. The motion carried with the following vote: Mr. Hanna and Ms. Mendoza Yanez.

2.0 GENERAL

2.1 Update on Senate Bill 1406 (Mendoza) — Construction-Related Accessibility: Public Entities

The committee discussed Senate Bill 1406 (Mendoza) and noted that a letter of support had been approved by the full board at its March 14, 2016, meeting, and sent to Senator Mendoza thereafter.

Mr. Labrado arrived during the discussion of Item 2.1.

2.0 GENERAL (contd.)

2.2 Update on May Revision of the Governor's Budget

The committee discussed the May Revision of the Governor's Budget.

2.3 Review of AB 1721 (Medina) — Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program

The committee reviewed AB 1721 (Medina) – Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program and made the recommendation to support the bill.

2.4 Review of AB 1741 (Rodriguez) — California College Promise Innovation Grant Program

The committee reviewed AB 1741 (Rodriguez) — California College Promise Innovation Grant Program and made the recommendation to support the bill.

2.5 Review of AB 1846 (Lopez) — Adult Education Block Grant Program

The committee reviewed AB 1846 (Lopez) – Adult Education Block Grant Program and made the recommendation to support the bill.

2.6 Review of AB 1892 (Medina) — Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant C Awards

The committee reviewed AB 1892 (Medina) – Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant C Awards and made the recommendation to support the bill.

2.7 Review of AB 2120 (Weber) — Public Utilities Commission: Proceedings: Intervenor Fees: Customers

The committee reviewed AB 2120 (Weber) – Public Utilities Commission: Proceedings: Intervenor Fees: Customers and recommended a letter be sent with the request to put community colleges back in the bill.

2.8 Review of AB 2155 (Ridley-Thomas) — Teachers: Retirement: Full Time

The committee reviewed AB 2155 (Ridley-Thomas) – Teachers: Retirement: Full Time and made the recommendation to support the bill.

2.9 Review of AB 2222 (Holden) -- Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: Transit Pass Program

The committee reviewed AB 2222 (Holden) – Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund: Transit Pass Program and made the recommendation to support the bill.

2.0 GENERAL (contd.)

2.10 Review of SB 1314 (Block) — Cal Grant Program: Middle Class Scholarship Program: Community College Baccalaureate Degree Program Students

The committee reviewed SB 1314 (Block) – Cal Grant Program: Middle Class Scholarship Program: Community Baccalaureate Degree Program Students and made the recommendation to support the bill.

2.11 Review of Legislative Matrix

The committee reviewed the legislative matrix provided by TPA. The committee discussed a few bills and made the recommendation to support AB 1936 (Chavez) Public Postsecondary Education: Residency: Dependents of Armed Forces Members at this time.

2.12 Discussion of International Students' Fees Legislation and Review of White Paper

The committee discussed the international students' fees legislation and review of a white paper prepared by Dr. Rodríguez. The committee asked the chancellor to bring it to the full board for review and approval of supporting the district initiating legislation or seeking a co-sponsor to carry the legislation.

2.13 Proposal of Future Agenda Items

There were no future agenda items proposed.

3.0 ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Mendoza Yanez declared this meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.