

**LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
LEGISLATIVE & PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
Educational Services Center
Board Room – First Floor
770 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90017
Wednesday, September 11, 2013
12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

Committee: Mike Eng; Chair; Nancy Pearlman, Vice Chair. Absent: Miguel Santiago

Trustee Eng called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

None.

REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

Opening Comments

- Trustee Eng requested that a few moments of silence be taken to remember those individuals who sacrificed their lives on September 11, 2001.
- Trustee Eng expressed his appreciation to Trustee Mona Field, former Chair of the Legislative Committee for her stewardship.

Introduction of Expanded Committee Name

Trustee Eng discussed the Legislative & Public Affairs Committee's new roles which reflect its new name. He indicated that in addition to State statute and legislation, the Committee will be discussing Federal and local legislation as well.

There being no objection, Trustee Eng took out of sequence the Legislative and Policy Update items to be discussed in the following order: Redevelopment Agency (RDA) Funding Update, Legislation, AB 955 (Williams) Update, Adult Education – State-level Update, and Preview of October 9, 2013 Legislative and Public Affairs Committee Meeting.

Legislative and Policy Update

- Redevelopment Agency (RDA) Funding Update

Documents entitled "LACCD Legislative Update – September 11, 2013; SB 97; and AB 103 (both of which are entitled "School Finance: Local Control Funding Formula)" and "LACCD Bills Still Alive that District has Taken Support Position" were distributed.

Trustee Eng discussed the issues pertaining to the discrepancy between community colleges and the Department of Finance's shortfall in the Redevelopment Agency (RDA) funding. He deferred to Mr. Mark McDonald.

Mr. McDonald discussed the RDA funding agreement and issues as it relates to SB 97 and AB 103 which would authorize the Department of Finance to determine the allocation of up to \$100 million to community colleges by December 31, 2013.

Trustee Eng indicated that AB 103 and SB 97 were amended in Sacramento on September 6, 2013 after the Legislative & Public Affairs Committee agenda was posted. He stated that the Ralph M. Brown Act allows the Board to add an item to the agenda with a finding of both late notice and urgency by a two-thirds vote of the Board or by a unanimous vote if only two Committee members are present.

Motion by Trustee Pearlman, seconded by Trustee Eng, that the Committee make a finding that there is a need for immediate action on AB 103 and SB 97 (both of which are entitled School Finance: Local Control Funding Formula) and that this came to the District's attention after the Legislative & Public Affairs Committee agenda was posted.

*APPROVED: 2 Ayes (Eng and Pearlman)
Absent (Santiago)*

Motion by Trustee Pearlman, seconded by Trustee Eng, to support AB 103 and SB 97 in the Legislation.

*APPROVED: 2 Ayes (Eng and Pearlman)
Absent: (Santiago)*

- Legislation

Mr. McDonald discussed the document entitled "LACCD Legislative Update – September 11, 2013" with respect to the status of SB 150 (Lara) as it relates to AB 540.

Trustee Eng introduced and deferred to Mr. David Quintana, Gonzalez, Quintana, & Hunter, LLC for an update on AB 450 (Jones-Sawyer).

Mr. Quintana discussed the process and status of AB 450 (Jones-Sawyer) and recommended that the District reached out to Assemblymen Jones and Sawyer for further discussion. He indicated that AB 450 is in Assembly Appropriations Committee and will not be moving forward.

- AB 955 (Williams) Update

Authorizes community college districts to offer an extension program for credit courses during summer and winter intersession under certain conditions. Authorizes the local board to charge extension fees sufficient to cover costs based on the district's non-resident fee rate. Amendment proposes a pilot program to include six California Community College (CCC) district. (LACCD position: Opposed)

Mr. Quintana gave a summary of the status of AB 955 (Williams).

Mr. McCallum and Mr. McDonald discussed their recent meeting with legislators during which they spoke in opposition to AB 955 and conveyed the Los Angeles Community College District's (LACCD) opposition to this bill. They recommended that the Committee write a letter to the legislators regarding their opposition to AB 955.

- Adult Education – State-level Update

- SB 173 (Liu) Update

Proposed to reduce categories of adult education courses – Would have deleted authorization for non-credit community college parenting, older adults, home economics, and health and safety education courses to receive program-based funding from the state

Mr. McDonald gave a summary of the status of SB 173 (Liu) with respect to the proposed elimination of State funding for adult education/noncredit programs. He recommended that the LACCD oppose SB 173 (Liu) unless the bill is amended.

Trustee Eng requested that a report be provided to the Committee with respect to the LACCD strategy in its opposition of SB 173 (Liu) as it relates to media coverage, lobbying efforts, and expanding collaborative efforts. He requested a list of the individuals who have registered their opposition of SB 173 (Liu).

Dr. Adriana D. Barrera indicated that the LACCD is working and preparing to address its opposition of SB 173 (Liu).

- Preview of October 9, 2013 Legislative and Public Affairs Committee Meeting

Due to the lack of time, this item was not discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

DISCUSSION

None.

SUMMARY – NEXT MEETING

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 1:33 p.m.