LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
LEGISLATIVE & PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE MEETING

Los Angeles Trade-Tech College
Aspen Hall TE-120
400 West Washington Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90015
Wednesday, March 6, 2019
12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.

Committee Members
David Vela, Chair
Gabriel Buelna, Vice Chair
Scott J. Svonkin, Member
Mike Fong, Board Alternate
Maria Luisa Veloz, Staff Liaison
Marvin Martinez, College President Liaison
Lawrence Buckley, College President Liaison Alternate

Agenda
(Items may be taken out of order)

I. ROLL CALL

II. PUBLIC SPEAKERS*

III. RECOMMENDATION ITEMS
   A. Update on AB 302
      Dale Shimasaki, Strategic Education Services
   B. Update on 2019-20 Federal Tax Conformity Issue
      Patrick McCallum, McCallum Group, Inc.

IV. INFORMATION ITEMS
   A. Update on 2019-20 Federal Policy and Advocacy Proposals
      Leslie Pollner, Holland & Knight, LLP
   B. Update on 2019-20 State Policy and Advocacy Proposals
      Dale Shimasaki, Strategic Education Services
      David Quintana, Quintana, Watts & Hartmann
   C. Update on 2019-20 State Budget Proposal
      Patrick McCallum, McCallum Group, Inc.
   D. Update on Local Advocates
      Maria Luisa Veloz

V. FUTURE DISCUSSION/AGENDA ITEMS

VI. FUTURE MEETING DATES

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*Members of the public are allotted three minutes time to address the agenda issues.

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**Wednesday, March 20, 2019**

**Educational Services Center**

**Board Room – First Floor**

**770 Wilshire Boulevard**

**Los Angeles, CA 90017**

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28 February 2019

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Legislative and Public Affairs Committee
Los Angeles Community College District

FM: Dale F. Shimasaki, Ph.D.
Strategic Education Services

RE: AB 302-Berman. Parking lots: Homeless Students

Description:
AB 302-Berman requires community college districts to grant overnight access to parking facilities to any homeless student who meets the following requirements:

- Is enrolled in coursework
- Has paid enrollment fees
- Is in good standing with the community college

The bill also requires the governing board of a community college district to determine a plan of action to implement this requirement.

The bill is sponsored by the Student Senate for the California Community Colleges.

Current law:
Under current law, AB 1955-Williams [Chapter 407, Statutes of 2016] requires community college districts to grant homeless students access to shower facilities.

Status:
The bill has been referred to the Assembly Higher Education Committee and is tentatively set for April 2. The author’s staff indicates they expect the bill to be amended before the April 2 hearing.

Issues:
The bill raises a number of issues for consideration including, but not limited to:

- Security: increased workload and responsibilities
- Verification: students v. non-students
- Use of parking space: vehicles only?
- Children: parent v. district obligations
- Liability: crimes, injury, medical emergencies,
- Capacity: what if demand exceeds supply?
- Restrooms: access to existing facilities or portable facilities?
- Other?

Funding:
- Mandated Costs. Because the bill is a state mandate, local community college districts are eligible for reimbursement for costs incurred. However, current reimbursement of state mandates are provided through a block grant and as a result only a portion of full costs of each mandate are fully reimbursed.
- Proposition 98: Because this issue addresses ‘housing’ homeless students and is not a direct educational expenditure, it is not clear if Proposition 98 funds should be used to reimburse these costs.

Advocacy:
- Other than the sponsor’s letter from the Student Senate for the California Community Colleges, the author’s office has not received any letters of support nor any letters of opposition for this bill.
- The Community College League of California is working with the author’s office on this bill. Specifically, they have requested an amendment to make the bill discretionary rather than mandatory.
Memorandum

Date: March 1, 2019

To: LACCD Legislative & Public Affairs Committee

From: Holland & Knight

Re: Federal Update

This memo provides a brief overview of key issues impacting the Los Angeles Community College District, including:

- LACCD Visit to Washington
- House Passes Resolution to Block President’s Emergency Declaration
- House Education Panel to Hold 5 Hearings on Rewriting Higher Education Act
- DREAM Act Expected to be Introduced
- Trump Seeks 5% Cut to Non-Defense Spending
- Sen. Murray Reintroduces Child Care Bill

**LACCD Visit to Washington**

To coincide with the Association of College Trustees’ (ACCT) National Legislative Summit, five LACCD board members and district staff traveled to Washington, D.C. in early February. During their two day visit with Congressional members and staff and federal agency contacts, the group held 19 meetings to discuss the District’s federal policy priorities and highlight the innovative work taking place on our nine campuses. Two of LACCD’s trustees participated on panels for ACCT briefings, where they discussed food insecurity as well as Second Chance Pell grants. The team met with Secretary of Labor Alexander Acosta, Deputy Assistant Secretary at the Department of Education Dr. Casey Sacks, two Senators, and 11 members of Congress. In addition, the team met with congressional committees with jurisdiction over education and veterans issues. Finally, a joint reception was hosted along with the California Chancellor’s Office and the Foundation for California Community Colleges, which was attended by California Reps. Barragan, Levin, Porter, Harder, and Cox.

**House Passes Resolution to Block President’s Emergency Declaration**

After the President received nearly $1.4 billion for 55 miles of border fencing along the U.S.-Mexico border in the FY 19 spending package, far less than the $5.7 billion requested, President Trump declared a national emergency. On February 6th, the House voted on H.J. Res. 46 to nullify the emergency declaration. That privileged resolution — which had 226 co-sponsors, including one Republican — passed the House by a vote of 245-182. 13 Republicans defected to side with...
Democrats. The Senate has 18 days to take up the resolution or introduce their own, posing an uncomfortable test of loyalty to Trump for the GOP-controlled chamber. Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY) has already announced that Senate Democrats would introduce a similar resolution disapproving of the emergency declaration. At this time, Republican Senators Thom Tillis, Susan Collins, and Lisa Murkowski have said that they will support the Democrats resolution of disapproval.

Trump has said that he will have the backing of congressional Republicans, predicting that they would not vote to defy his attempts to unilaterally build the border wall. But if not, Trump said he would “100 percent” veto the measure.

**House Education Panel to Hold Five Hearings on Rewriting Higher Education Act**

The House Committee on Education & Labor recently announced that it plans to hold five hearings in the coming months on reauthorizing the Higher Education Act. Rep. Bobby Scott, (D-VA), the panel's Democratic chairman, and Rep. Virginia Foxx, (R-NC), the committee's ranking Republican, said that the hearings marked the formal start of an effort to comprehensively update the higher education law for the first time in more than a decade.

The five "bipartisan" hearings are expected to be on the following topics:

- The Cost of College: Student Centered Reforms to Bring Higher Education Within Reach
- Strengthening Accountability in Higher Education to Better Serve Students and Taxpayers
- The Cost of Non-Completion: Improving Student Outcomes in Higher Education
- Engines of Economic Mobility: The Critical Role of Community Colleges, Historically Black Colleges and Universities, and Minority-Serving Institutions in Preparing Students for Success
- Innovation to Improve Equity: Exploring High-Quality Pathways to a College Degree

No dates have been set for the hearings at this time.

**DREAM Act to be Introduced**

Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard (D-CA) and Rep. Nydia Velazquez (D-NY) have started circulating a “Dear Colleague” last week and are looking for co-sponsors for their legislation, which combines the DREAM Act with legislation to protect individuals with Temporary Protected Status (TPS). Their goal is to secure co-sponsorship of the full Democratic caucus, with hopes of a few Republican co-sponsors. The legislation is expected to be known as the Dream and Promise Act.

The House Judiciary Committee is expected to hold a hearing on March 6, with the introduction of the bill and a press conference on March 7. A markup would then happen in early March, which is expected to be divisive. The bill will be the most expansive, progressive attempt to protect Dreamers and TPS attempted by Congress.

**Trump Seeks 5% Cut to Non-Defense Spending**
The President is expected to release part of his budget on March 11th, with the complete budget resolution expected on March 17th. Although the budget is largely a symbolic document (Congress usually ignores the document regardless of the Administration), the document lays out the Administration’s priorities and policy goals. It is expected that the budget will once again include funding for a border wall, reigniting the debate that took place over FY 2019 spending.

The President’s budget is also expected to propose a 5 percent cut to non-defense discretionary spending in his upcoming budget request. The administration is also expected to oppose any congressional deal to raise the budget caps, citing "unsustainable" levels of borrowing. Congress must act this year to raise the budget caps or risk slashing defense spending by $71 billion and non-defense spending by $55 billion in fiscal 2020, which begins Oct. 1.

**Sen. Murray Reintroduces Child Care Bill**

This week, Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA) and two of her Democrat colleagues reintroduced The Child Care for Working Families Act, which would create a federal-state partnership aimed at ensuring families making less than 150 percent of their state's median income do not pay more than 7 percent of their income on child care. The bill would also seek to boost wages and training for early childhood workers and improve access to preschool programs for low- and moderate-income 3- and 4-year olds.
Legislative Update: Prepared for Legislative and Public Affairs Committee of the Los Angeles Community College District

March 2019
Los Angeles Trade-Technical College
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| Assist LGBTQ students to secure eligibility for student financial aid | SB 291-Leyva: CCC Financial Aid Program  
AB 1314-Medina: Cal Grant Reform | Work on amendment with LGBTQ Caucus, Asm Committee on Higher Education and Senate Education.  
NOTE: Foster students have similar issue |
| Expand support for AB 540/undocumented students     | 1. AB 540-Limon: Cal Grant B Service Incentive Grant  
2. Latino Caucus budget augmentation request for Dream Centers | 1. Seek passage of AB 540-Limon  
2. Seek funding for Dream Centers in state budget |
| Food Insecurity Legislation                        | AB 612-Weber: Restaurant Meals Program to address CCC issues. Sponsor is CCLC | CCLC Affordability, Food, & Housing Access Task Force completes work in March                |
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  • Can repeat for 4th time subject to approval, but no funding | • No vehicle identified  
  • Identify vehicle for next year |
| Best Value Legislation for LACCD              | AB 356-Santiago                                     | Update from David Quintana                       |
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| Faculty Obligation Number [FON] to include noncredit faculty | AB 1427-Carrillo: [currently a spot bill] | Issues:  
1) Chancellor Oakley reconvening FON and 50% Law Task Force  
2) Amendments will include FON language and CFT suggested amendment  
3) CFT now in support of bill  
4) Author seeking support of CA Academic Senate  
5) Related bill: SB 777-Rubio |
AB 302-Berman. Parking: homeless students [1 of 3]

• Requires districts to grant overnight access to parking facilities to any homeless student who:
  • Is enrolled in coursework
  • Has paid enrollment fees
  • Is in good standing with the community college

• Requires the district to determine a plan of action to implement these requirements

• Sponsor: Student Senate for CA Community Colleges

• Bill has been referred to Assembly Committee on Higher Education. Hearing date is tentatively set for April 2.

• Amendments likely before the April 2 hearing.
AB 302: Issues and Lessons  [2 of 3]

• Issues:
  • Security: increased workload and responsibilities
  • Verification: students v. non-students
  • Use of parking space: vehicles only?
  • Children: parent v. district obligations
  • Liability: crimes, injury, medical emergencies,
  • Capacity: what if demand exceeds supply?
  • Restrooms: access to existing facilities or portable facilities?
  • Other?

• Lessons: AB 1955-Williams [Chapter 407, Statutes of 2016]
  • Current law requires CCC districts to grant homeless students access to shower facilities.
    • What were implementation issues?
    • Lessons learned?
AB 302: Funding and Advocacy [3 of 3]

• Funding: Mandated Costs
  • Eligible for reimbursement after costs incurred
  • Current reimbursement is through a block grant
  • Only a portion of costs will be recovered

• Funding: Proposition 98
  • Should Proposition 98 funds be used for this non-educational purpose?

• Advocacy: Community College League of California [CCLC]:
  • Working with author’s office
  • Requested amendment to make discretionary rather than mandatory
MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Legislative and Public Affairs Committee

FM: Dale F. Shimasaki, Ph.D.
Strategic Education Services

RE: March 2019 Legislative Update

Legislative Calendar for 2019 Session

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May 17: Last day for fiscal committees to meet and report to the floor bills introduced in their house
May 31: Last day for each house to pass bills introduced in that house
June 15: Budget bill must be passed by midnight
July 10: Last day for policy committees to hear and report bills to fiscal committees
July 12: Last day for policy committees to meet and report bills
August 30: Last day for fiscal committees to meet and report bills
September 6: Last day to amend bills on floor
September 13: Last day for any bill to be passed
October 13: Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the Legislature on or before September 13
### Legislative Summary

We have secured vehicles to address eight of the nine LACCD legislative priorities.

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1. **AB 2 (Santiago): California College Promise**

Description: AB 2 (Santiago) provides a second year of tuition-free education for all first-time, full-time community college students. This measure extends the provisions of AB 19-Santiago, sponsored by the LACCD two years ago.

Update:

- **Status:** The bill has been referred to the Assembly Committee on Higher Education and is scheduled for hearing on Tuesday, March 19 at 1:30 PM
- **Amendments:**
  - As of this writing, it is unclear if the author has any proposed amendments to the measure.
  - Asm Kevin McCarty wants an amendment to have the CA College Promise Program apply to all full time students, rather than just first-time students. He intends to put additional funds in the budget for this purpose. It is not known how many additional students this would apply to statewide.

Next Steps:

- We are working with the author’s office staff in preparation for the policy committee hearing, currently scheduled for March 19.
2-5: Student Financial Aid Legislation

Description: The LACCD Legislative and Public Affairs Committee identified the following issues in student financial aid that impact community college students.

- Extension of eligibility in the Cal Grant program from 4 years to 6 years
- Different selection criteria for AB 540/DACA students compared to other students in the competitive Cal Grant Program.
- Dependency waiver authority needed to assist LGBTQ students who may have been disowned, left homeless or victims of abuse or other circumstances to qualify for financial aid.
- Cal Grant B Service Incentive Grant Program for Dream Act students

Update:

- Context: The Legislature and the Chancellor’s Office of the California Community Colleges have identified student financial aid as a major policy concern for the upcoming legislative session.
  - Assemblymember Jose Medina [D-Riverside] and Assemblymember Kevin McCarty [D-Sacramento] will co-author AB 1314 that would make changes and increase funding of the Cal Grant programs
  - The Chancellor’s Office of the California Community Colleges has SB 291-Leyva to expand Cal Grant Programs for community college students by $1.5 billion based on the following core principles:
    - Serve students regardless of their age, time out of high school or their prior academic history
    - Link financial aid to the total cost of attendance
    - Serve students with educational goals other than just to earn degrees or to transfer

- Debt vs. Access: The Assembly Higher Education Committee and the Assembly Budget Subcommittee on Education held a joint hearing to discuss Student Financial Aid issues. One question posed by Asm Kevin McCarty [D-Sacramento] is: if the Legislature had $100 million to allocate between reducing debt v. increasing access, how should we allocate those funds?

- Potential Authors: Members and staff meetings related to student financial aid issues include:
  - Laura Metune, Chancellor’s Office of the California Community Colleges
  - Jeanice Warden, Assembly Committee on Higher Education
  - Chris Ferguson, Department of Finance
  - Maritz Urquiza, Department of Finance
  - Erica Costa, Asm Jose Medina [D-Riverside]
  - Jennifer Chase, Office of Senator Ben Allen [D-Santa Monica]
  - Olgalilía Ramirez, Senate Education Committee
  - Abram Diaz, Asm Jesse Gabriel [D-Los Angeles]
  - Jennifer Richards, Senator Maria Elena Durazo [D-Los Angeles]
  - Ezra Laemmle, Asm Luz Rivas [D-Los Angeles]
  - Israel Landa, Asm Monique Limon [D-Santa Barbara]
  - Abram Diaz, Asm Jesse Gabriel [D-Los Angeles]
  - Gabriela Castillo, Asm Jess Gabriel [D-Los Angeles]
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Next Steps: see above
6. **Spot Bill on Food Insecurity Legislation**

Description: Asm Shirley Weber [D-San Diego] has introduced AB 612; a spot bill has been prepared to support policies that address housing and food insecurities faced by community college students. The bill is sponsored by the Community College League of CA [CCLC].

Update:

- The CCLC has convened an Affordability, Food & Housing Access Taskforce which will present recommendations to the Chief Executive Officers of the California Community Colleges (CEOCCC) in March.

We have reached out to the following members and staff requesting authorship:

- Erika Costa, Office of Asm Medina [D-Riverside]
- Jennifer Chase, Office of Senator Ben Allen [D-Santa Monica]
- Olgalilia Ramirez, Senate Education Committee
- Abram Diaz, Asm Jesse Gabriel [D-Los Angeles]
- Jennifer Richard, Senator Maria Elena Durazo [D-Los Angeles]
- Jeanice Warden, Assembly Committee on Higher Education
- Ezra Laemmle, Asm Luz Rivas [D-Los Angeles]
- Israel Landa, Asm Monique Limon [D-Santa Barbara]
- Emmanuel Aguayo, Asm Mike Gibson [D-Carson]
- Senator Connie Leyva [D-Chino]
- Wesley Whitaker, Asm Jacqui Irwin [D-Thousand Oaks]

Related Legislation:

- **AB 58-Rivas [D-Arleta]:** Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council. This bill requires the Governor to appoint a representative from the State Department of Education to be a member of the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council.

- **AB 67-Rivas [D-Arleta]:** Individuals or families who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. This bill requires the Homeless Coordinating and Financing Council to develop and recommend in a report to the legislature, a standard definition of “homeless” and “at risk of homelessness” for the purposes of providing programs and services to the homeless and at risk of homelessness.

Next Steps:

- SES is monitoring activities of the Affordability, Food & Housing Access Task Force to determine what recommendations could be incorporated into legislation.
7. Faculty Obligation Number [FON]

Description: Assemblymember Wendy Carrillo [D-Los Angeles] has introduced AB 1427, a spot bill to include noncredit courses and noncredit faculty to count towards satisfying its full-time faculty obligation [FON]. This bill is based on a recommendation from the Consultation Council and endorsed by the Academic Senate of the California Community Colleges.

Under current law, districts are required to increase the number of full-time faculty over the prior year in proportion to the amount of growth in funded credit FTES.

Update:

- We worked with the CA Federation of Teachers [CFT] to craft an amendment to secure their support of AB 1427.
- The State Chancellor has reconvened the FON/50% law task force to re-examine these requirements in light of the new Student Success Funding Formula. Preliminary results from the Task Force Deliberations will be available in April.
  - Given this, the State Chancellor’s Office encouraged LACCD to find an author to address this issue.
  - In the meantime, the State Chancellor’s Office will not take a position on AB 1427-Carrillo and request that they be given an opportunity to amend the bill [with the approval of LACCD] if consensus recommendations are reached from the FON/50% law Task Force.
- The author’s staff has reached out to the Academic Senate of the CA Community Colleges to seek support for this legislation.
- Assembly Higher Education Committee staff has raised concerns on including noncredit faculty in the FON calculation.
- Related bill: SB 777-Rubio requires districts that are below the 75% full-time faculty requirement to close the hiring gap by 10% each year until they reach 75% of full-time faculty hires.

Next Steps:

- Will continue to work with the author, CFT and the State Chancellor’s Office on moving the bill.
- We will meet with the Asm Higher Education Committee staff to discuss their concerns about including noncredit faculty in the FON calculation.
8. **Best Value Legislation for LACCD**

Description: This bill authorizes the LACCD to establish a pilot project to utilize a best value procurement process through January 1, 2027 for construction projects over $1 million. This bill is similar to legislation authorized for the Los Angeles Unified School District pursuant to AB 1185: Ridley-Thomas [Chapter 786, Statutes of 2015].

Update:

- Update to be provided by David Quintana, who is working on this measure on behalf of the LACCD.
9. **Course Repeatability**

Description: A spot bill was prepared on course repeatability.

Update:

- Chancellor’s Office Telephone Conference Call on Course Repeatability Policies
  - A telephone conference call was convened to discuss legislative and Title 5 restrictions on course repeatability:
  - Participants on call:
    - Jackie Escajeda, Administrator of Intersegmental Programs and Credit Curriculum at the state Chancellor’s Office of the CA Community Colleges
    - Brenda Fong, Specialist, Allied Health
    - Ryan Cornner, LACCD
    - Dale Shimasaki, SES
  - Conclusion:
    - no statutory or Title 5 restrictions on course repeatability
    - districts can set policies on course repeatability
    - in the case of nursing, there may be restrictions related to licensing, program requirements, etc.

- Apportionment Funding. There are Title 5 restrictions on apportionment funding related to repeatability:
  - Apportionment Funding is authorized for students who repeat course for up to three times
  - A student may repeat course for fourth time but requires approval of President. District is not eligible for funding

Author Requests:

We had reached out to the following offices to identify an author.

- Ogalilia Ramirez, Senate Education Committee to seek help interest of the following committee members:
  - Senator Connie M. Leyva [D-Chino]
  - Senator Maria Elena Durazo [D-Los Angeles]
  - Senator Seven M. Glazer [D-Orinda]
  - Senator Mike McGuire [D-North Coast/North Bay]
  - Senator Richard Pan [D-Sacramento]

- Jennifer Chase, Office of Senator Ben Allen

- Jeanice Warden, Assembly Committee on Higher Education to help seek interest of the following committee members:
  - Asm Jose Medina [D-Riverside]
  - Asm Joaquin Arambula
  - Asm Richard Bloom [D-Santa Monica]
  - Asm Jesse Gabriel [D-Los Angeles]
- Asm Jacqui Irwin [D-Camarillo/Oxnard]
- Asm Marc Levine [D-Marin]
- Asm Evan Low [D-San Jose]
- Asm Miguel Santiago [D-Los Angeles]
- Asm Shirley Weber [D-San Diego]

  - Chris Ferguson and Maritza Urquiza, Department of Finance
  - Laura Metune, Chancellor’s Office of the CA Community Colleges
  - Gabriella Castillo, Asm Jesse Gabriel [D-Los Angeles]
  - Abram Diaz, Asm Jesse Gabriel [D-Los Angeles]
  - Elle Hoxworth, Asm Chris Holden [D-Pasadena]
  - Ezra Laemmle, Asm Luz Rivas [D-Los Angeles]
  - Cynthia Castillo, Office of Senator Robert Hertzberg [D-Van Nuys]

Feedback/Analysis:

There was no appetite on the part of the legislature nor the administration to address this issue. Many legislative staff believed this proposal was a step in the wrong direction as policies “should promote student success and not encourage failure”. They had shared their views with their respective member of the education policy committees. Others indicated that current law policies to permit a college to receive state funding for a course up to three times is sufficient, if not overly generous. Further, the Department of Finance was opposed to any measure to change course repeatability policies as they did not know what the costs were of such a change.

Next Steps:

- SES will monitor the legislative process to see if there is an opportunity to address this issue as an amendment to another bill.
CCC Budget Report

Tax Revenues
Both the State Controller and Department of Finance tax reports for January indicated similar results. Both have fiscal year-to-date revenues below January budget proposal projections by close to $2.5 billion. The Department of Finance has indicated that they are not concerned with the lower-than-anticipated revenues as they expect more revenues to come into the state later in the year, in April, due to the changes in the federal tax laws which no longer encourage Californians to pay estimated taxes earlier.

This said, there are a number of “budget watchers,” including the Legislative Analyst’s Office that are indicating that revenues could be down in May in comparison to January estimates. This would drive Proposition 98 down and leave less funding for community colleges. The lower revenues would come amidst a backdrop of a community college budget that is already fairly “tight” in the funding priorities.

The Community College budget essentially includes funding for:
1. Cost of Living Adjustment - $248.3 million
2. 2nd year of the Community College Promise - $40 million
3. Funding for a small amount of growth - $26 million
4. COLA for certain categorical programs - $13.5 million

The administration has prioritized a second year of “free community college” and COLA funding is usually “automatic.” If revenues are down in May, there will need to be prioritization on the community college issues.

LAO Higher Education and Education Analysis
The Legislative Analyst’s Office released their Proposition 98 and Higher Education analyses. For Proposition 98, the LAO notes, that the Legislature should “prepare for the possibility that Proposition 98 funding is somewhat lower by May.” The LAO notes that economic events occurring after the development of the Governor’s budget suggest that estimates of the guarantee could be revised down somewhat in the coming months. Coupled with their estimate of higher program costs, the Proposition 98 budget could be tighter by May.

In their Higher Education analysis, the LAO makes the following recommendations as relates to the Governor’s Proposed budget:

- Recommends adopting the administration’s proposal to postpone the increase in performance funding allocation.
- Recommends rejecting the proposal to cap the performance growth component of the funding formula at 10%.
Recommends exploring more targeted options, such as linking outcome-based funding to the highest award a student earns.

To address regular year-to-year fluctuations in student outcome data, the LAO recommends using a three-year rolling average for funding purposes.

Recommends rejecting the Governor’s proposal to expand the College Promise Program.

**Budget Hearings**

The Senate and Assembly Budget Subcommittees have released their hearing schedules and will begin to hear the issues that were proposed in the Governor’s January budget proposal as well as other ideas.

The Assembly Budget Subcommittee #2 on Education is scheduled to hear community college issues on April 23rd and Senate Budget Subcommittee #1 on Education Finance is scheduled to hear community college issues on April 11th.

The Assembly Budget Subcommittee #2 already held one hearing in conjunction with the Assembly Higher Education Committee that took up the issue of financial aid in California, specifically, California’s Cal Grant system. Much of the discussion during the hearing focused on the low level of Cal Grant funding that community college students receive. There will be a significant focus on financial aid in this coming session, particularly from the Assembly. There were questions as to whether the members should be focusing on getting more aid to those that already have some or should they focus on getting aid to a greater number of students.

Vice Chancellor for External Affairs for the Community College Chancellor’s Office Laura Metune testified at the hearing discussing the community college financial aid proposal. This proposal is being carried in SB 291 (Leyva), but will also be considered in the budget process.

**Promise Grant Allocation by College**

- Discussed the issue with a number of potential authors, focusing on the Senate.
- Staff in the Pro Tem’s office has indicated that they do not want to make major changes to the funding formula which lead to key senators feeling it best be addressed in the budget committees. We are starting a budget committee strategy bringing in key community college districts to help out.
- Discussed the fee waiver issue with Education Staff for the Pro Tem – she indicated that she was familiar with the issue and would look at it, but as indicated above, they are reluctant to make major changes.
- We will need to work this issue through the budget committees and subcommittees

**Dream Resource and LGBTQ Centers**

- Briefed budget subcommittee chairs on the issue
- Discussed the issue with budget subcommittee staff
- Briefed with Senate Pro Tem’s education staff on the issue. This is a good place to put one-time funding if there is any available at the May Revise.

**Noncredit Census Date**
- Briefed the budget committee staff on the issue – Assembly Budget Staff was briefing Chair Ting on the issue.
- A bill has been introduced to address the issue, but it will also go through the budget process – AB 1727 (Weber)
This memo is to respond to information requested by a Board Member regarding the selection of the Local Advocacy firms included on the February 6 Board Agenda for your approval. It is my understanding that the following questions have been raised:

1. Number of firms that responded to the November 20, 2017 Local Advocacy RFP
2. Deliverables and scope of work for each lobbyist firm selected
3. Scoring for the proposals selected

Below, please find the information requested.

1. **Background and Number of firms that responded to the November 20, 2017 Local Advocacy RFP**

   On November 20, 2017, a Request for Proposal 17-10 was released for Local, State and Legislative Lobbyist Advocacy Services. The proposal submission deadline was on December 17, 2017.

   The Proposal was advertised and posted to the District website.

   Proposers could submit proposals for one, some or all classes set forth in the RFP. The Scope of Services included subsections as follows:
   - Class 1 - Legislative and Advocacy Consulting Services
   - Class 2 - State Budget Advocacy Consulting Services
   - Class 3 - Local Advocacy Consulting Services
   - Class 4 - Statewide Advocacy Consulting Services

   On November 28, 2017, a District Review Committee was assembled. The committee included Vice Chancellor Ryan Corner, Vice Chancellor Albert Roman, and Administrative Officer Maria Luisa Veloz. At the April 4, 2018 Board meeting, the Board extended the previous year’s contract for State legislative, budget and statewide advocacy services. Interviews for Local Advocacy firms were conducted on April 20, 2018. Four outstanding firms submitted proposals for Advocacy Consulting Services, these firms included:

   1. Ek, Sunkin, Klink & Bai + Dakota Communications
   2. McCallum Group, Inc. + The Santa Maria Group
3. Mercury Public Affairs
4. The Raben Group

Shortly after the April 4, 2018 Board meeting, the Board requested that the Local Advocacy Consulting services contract be put on hold temporarily.

Local Advocacy Selection Process Reconstituted

On January 16, 2019, the District Review Committee was reassembled to review the written proposals and to score the Local Advocacy proposals. Given the strength of the proposals, the close scores and the expansive Scope of Work, the District Review Committee decided to award the contract to the three highest bidders which included the Ek, Sunkin, Klink & Bai + Dakota Communications; McCallum Group, Inc. + The Santa Maria Group; and Mercury Public Affairs. This allowed the District Committee to pair each firm with the local agencies where they demonstrated greatest influence and strength.

2. Deliverables and scope of work for each lobbyist firm selected

If approved by the Board, the following are the local advocacy Deliverables and Scope of Work:

Deliverables

1. Conduct weekly calls with District personnel on advocacy activities and updates
2. Prepare materials for Board members, Chancellor and District staff for local government/advocacy meetings
3. Prepare monthly reports to the Chancellor and the Board committee on local Legislative and Public Affairs, or as requested

Local Advocacy Scope of Work by Firm

Mercury Public Affairs. This firm will advocate on behalf of LACCD with: K-12 public schools, charter schools, and school districts; local higher education institutions; local nonprofits; and the Los Angeles County Office of Education. Total cost: $60,000 per year.

- Represent LACCD on matters related to higher education policies before governing boards of charter schools and public school districts within LACCD service areas
- Represent LACCD on matters related to higher education policies before the Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) governing board
- Assist with establishing dual enrollment partnerships between LACCD and public school/charter school governing boards
- Identify potential partnership opportunities between LACCD and K-12 school districts, institutions of higher education and local nonprofit organizations
- Monitor higher education related priorities and represent and testify on behalf of the District when appropriate
• Respond to inquiries from legislative offices regarding the District’s perspective on proposed higher education legislation or fiscal issues, as directed by the Chancellor and/or the Administrative Officer to the Chancellor

• Schedule appointments with key policy makers and their staff regarding legislative opportunities and advocacy issues for the colleges and District as a whole

• Maintain positive and functional working relationships with key non-profit and higher education organizations on behalf of the District

• Maintain a local presence before elected officials and advance LACCD policy priorities

• Serve as a point of contact and interface for LACCD

• Assist with identifying and securing new public funding opportunities, and/or through private and philanthropic funding sources to ensure the District’s goals are being addressed and advanced

• Represent the interests of the District with integrity and professionalism

**The McCallum Group + Santa Maria Group.** The Santa Maria Group will advocate on behalf of LACCD with: the Los Angeles City Council and city councils of other municipalities located in the LACCD service areas; the Port of Los Angeles; Los Angeles International Airport (Los Angeles World Airports); and the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) and other key water agencies located in the LACCD service areas. Total cost: $60,000 per year.

• Represent LACCD on matters related to higher education policies before the City of Los Angeles Mayor’s office and City Councils throughout LACCD service areas and regional departments and agencies

• Represent LACCD on matters related to higher education policies before city councils and other governmental agencies within LACCD service areas

• Identify potential partnership opportunities between LACCD and cities in Los Angeles County

• Monitor higher education city priorities and represent and testify on behalf of the District when appropriate

• Respond to inquiries from legislative offices regarding the District’s perspective on proposed higher education legislation or fiscal issues, as directed by the Chancellor and/or the Administrative Officer to the Chancellor

• Schedule appointments with key policy makers and their staff regarding legislative opportunities and advocacy issues for the colleges and District as a whole
• Maintain a local presence before elected officials and advance LACCD policy priorities

• Serve as a point of contact and interface for LACCD

• Assist with identifying and securing new public funding opportunities, and/or through private and philanthropic funding sources to ensure the District’s goals are being addressed and advanced

• Represent the interests of the District with integrity and professionalism

**EK, Sunkin, Klink & Bai + Dakota Communications.** These firms will advocate on behalf of LACCD with: the County of Los Angeles (excluding the Office of Education); the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (METRO); and Investor Owned Utilities (IOU). Total cost: $120,000 per year.

• Represent LACCD on matters related to higher education policies before the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors and countywide governmental agencies

• Identify potential partnership opportunities between the County of Los Angeles, the MTA, Investor Owned Utilities, and LACCD

• Monitor higher education county priorities and represent and testify on behalf of the District when appropriate

• Respond to inquiries from the Board of Supervisors regarding the District’s perspective on proposed higher education legislation or fiscal issues, as directed by the Chancellor and/or the Administrative Officer to the Chancellor

• Schedule appointments with the Los Angeles County Supervisors and their staff regarding legislative opportunities and advocacy issues for the colleges and District as a whole

• Maintain a local presence before elected officials and advance LACCD policy priorities

• Serve as a point of contact and interface for LACCD

• Assist with identifying and securing new public funding opportunities, and/or through private and philanthropic funding sources to ensure the District’s goals are being addressed and advanced

• Represent the interests of the District with integrity and professionalism
3. Rubric for Scoring Local Advocacy Proposals

Evaluation of the firm proposals was conducted in January 2018. All firms were evaluated on the following criteria:

1. Performance: Strength of Firm Position to Engage with LACCD
2. Knowledge: Familiarity of LACCD Issues and Interests. Record with Community Colleges-related Accomplishments
4. Influence: Advocacy Consulting Services – Los Angeles City Council and Cities in LACCD service areas, as well as, Port of Los Angeles, Los Angeles Airport, and key water agencies
5. Influence: Advocacy Consulting Services – County of Los Angeles, and MTA
6. Execution: Work Plan (accessibility/ availability and potential conflicts)
7. Responsiveness to Questions and Familiarity with the Los Angeles Region