Legislative and Advocacy Committee
February 11, 2021
11:00 am-12:00 pm

Minutes

Members Present: Ginni May (chair), Geoffrey Dyer, Christopher Howerton, Eric Wada, Stephanie Curry, Adrienne Brown, Alexis Litzky

The meeting was called to order at 11:01am

1. Minutes taken by: Stephanie Curry

2. Approval of Agenda
   The Committee approved the agenda by consensus.

3. Approval of Minutes
   Change of topic of Rostrum Article from Calbright to Cal Grant in last minutes. Revised Minutes were approved by consensus.

4. Announcements
   - National Legislative Summit (ASCCC participation by president and vice president with Community College League of California (CEOs and Trustees), the Chancellor’s Office and the Student Senate for CCCs representatives) took place earlier this week virtually in Washington DC. The group advocates for California Community Colleges. ASCCC has been participating for 6 years.

5. California Legislation and Budget Update
   - The committee reviewed the February Legislative Update for ASCCC.
   - The committee reviewed the Legislative Initiative Liaison email.
   - The committee received an update on the FY2021/22 budget and discussed the support by ASCCC to fully pay down deferrals; ASCCC President signed a letter to support.

6. Resolutions:
   - Cycle and Process
     i. The committee reviewed the process for collecting resolutions for executive committee review.
     ii. The Executive Committee forwards resolutions that they determine are “worthy of debate”.
     iii. Resolutions can also come from Area Meetings or individual attendees.
• First Due date is February 16 for resolutions for Area Meeting
  i. Potential Resolution Topics: AB 417 (McCarty) – Rising Scholars Network- (support), AB 421 (Ward) – Equitize funding for CDCP courses (support), AB 361 (Robert Rivas) – Open Meetings local agencies/teleconferences/SB 274 (Wieckowski) – Local Government Meeting, agendas and documents (support) and Cal Grant Reform (anticipating a bill soon).

7. Legislative and Advocacy Day “virtually at the Capitol”
  • 4 teams with 6-7 visits each, one member asked to take notes, one zoom room for each team. Teams will be meeting together before, after and during lunch.
  • February 22/23, 2021
    i. Monday: 2:00 – 5:00
    ii. Tuesday: 8:30 – 4:00
  • Talking Points – See letter
  • Update – Packet, Teams, Schedule- Ginni went over the packet information
  • Committee members are asked to dress professionally for the zoom leg visits

8. Rostrum Articles Committee reviewed Rostrum topics and were reminded of the due date March 8, 2021 – update/reminder
  • History of Transfer Legislation and What’s Next – AB 440, SB 1440, SB 440, ASCCC Resolution F17 15.01, UCTP, UCTP Pilot, Transfer Alignment (7+3+3 disciplines), C-ID
    ▪ Historical background
    ▪ Multiple perspectives on transfer in the paper
    ▪ Volunteers: Ginni, Eric, Adrienne
  • Cal Grant Reform – Stephanie, Geoffrey, Ginni
  • Send completed articles to Ginni by March 7th and will forward them to Krystinlle from the LAC Committee.

9. Events and Important Dates (Events in spring 2021 are virtual)
  • Part-Time Faculty Leadership Institute, February 18-19 – this event is free
  • Executive Committee Meeting, March 5-6
  • Area Meetings: March 26 (A and B)/March 27 (C and D)
  • 2021 Spring Plenary Session, April 15-17

10. LAC meetings:
  • March 10, 12:00-1:00 – will need to end by 12:50
  • April 7, 12:00-1:00
  • May 12, 12:00-1:00

11. Adjourn
The meeting adjourned at 11:50am

Status of Previous Action Items

A. In Progress (include details about pending items such as resolutions, papers, Rostrums, etc.)
  • Revisiting the 50% Law: Its Intent and Its Future, with the editor
B. Completed (include a list of those items that have been completed as a way to build the end of year report).

- Legislation and Curriculum: Maintaining the Faculty Voice, November 2020 Rostrum

- F17 7.06 Access to Noncredit Courses for Undocumented Students
  The committee reviewed the title 5 section 58003.3 and its 2018 amendment which has addressed the concern in the resolution.

- S18 5.01 Funding for Apprenticeship Courses
  Committee reviewed resolution and 1st resolve on Montoya Funds (recommendation to augment) and 2nd resolve have been completed

- S19 7.05 Explore Allowing Refunds Beyond Regulatory Deadline
  Committee determined that the resolution has been addressed through Spring 2020 Professional Development Webinars with impact of COVID-19 and Executive Orders which included discussion of student fees.

- F17 7.02 Identify and Remove Barriers to Offering Noncredit Distance Education Courses
  Geoffrey Dyer reviewed this and it is consistent with 58003.1 and 58009(c). There is a group working on the attendance accounting manual. Committee may look at how the COVID-19 pandemic changes may impact this resolution in the future.

Committee Priorities – Tracking Resolutions and other Assignments

Legislative Information

Links:
- California Legislative Information Home page: https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov
- ASCCCC Legislative and Advocacy Committee page: https://asccc.org/directory/legislative-and-advocacy-committee

The 2021-22 (two-year) Regular Session convened for Organizational Session at 12 noon on December 7, 2020.

Useful Websites:
CA Assembly members: https://www.assembly.ca.gov/assemblymembers
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California Department of Finance: http://www.dof.ca.gov
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