

# FACCC Liaison Report to ASCCC

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## Interim Executive Director

- Emily Haroldson, Faculty Glendale Community College
- Goal to have a permanent Executive Director by July 1, 2024

## Recent FACCC Advocacy

- FACCC at ASCCC Fall 2023 Plenary
  - 15 new FACCC members!
  - \$750 donated to ASCCC Foundation
- CMC^3 AB 1705 Conversation with Ellen Cesaretti-Monroy, Staffer, Assembly Higher Ed
  - A positive and thoughtful conversation about the unintended consequences of the legislation as well as some of the guidance incongruence with the bill.
- SSCCC Advocacy Academy
  - Two presentations, both standing-room-only
    - Advocating for Student Issues: Navigating the Legislative Process and Communicating with Representatives
    - Beating Imposter Syndrome

## FACCC Policy Forum - register at FACCC.org

Bringing Community Back to Community Colleges

- January 19th, 9am-12pm, virtual
- The 2024 FACCC Policy Forum will center on bringing community back to California's community colleges. The forum will include a panel featuring influential faculty, students, and elected state leaders who will share perspectives on strengthening the colleges' mission to support the multifaceted needs of local communities statewide.
- Panelists
  - James McKeever, President, AFT 1521 Los Angeles 24 College Faculty Guild
  - Liz Ortega, Assemblymember, District 20, member of Assembly Higher Education Committee
  - Madison Harris, Region VIII Legislative Affairs Director, SSCCC
  - Patrick Ahrens, President of the Board of Trustees, Foothill-De Anza Community College District

## FACCC Advocacy & Policy Conference - register at FACCC.org

- Building Community in Higher Education: Fostering Relationships for Political Change
- February 25-26, Sheraton Grand, Sacramento
  - Keynote Speaker Robin G. Isserles, author of The Cost of Completion

## Sponsoring the March in March- https://linktr.ee/camarchinmarch

- March 7th, 2024, 1:30 to 5:30 pm
- Revive <u>#MarchinMarch</u>!
- Tower Bridge to the Capitol, Sacramento
- Marching for Students' Futures!

## Legislative Landscape

- Budget
  - The <u>LAO has released its projected California fiscal outlook</u>, highlighting its \$68 billion deficit. The deficit is mainly due to a severe revenue decline in 2022-23, which has created unique and complex challenges for the state's budget.
  - The state also faces significant operating deficits in the coming years, with annual deficits of around \$30 billion annually.
  - According to the LAO, the Legislature has multiple tools available to address the budget problem, including nearly \$24 billion in reserves, options to reduce spending on schools and community colleges, and further adjustments to other areas of the budget.
- Legislation will likely be proposed to eliminate or gut the 50% law.
- FACCC's 2024 Legislative Priorities
  - Human instructor language in the wake of AI in education
  - Study bill on unhoused community college students over the age of 25
  - Counterarguments to the attack on the 50% law
  - Audit AB 1705 data particularly students drop data
  - Coalition-building for Bachelors degrees at CCs
  - PT Health Benefits clean up language
- Working on policy papers
  - Community college funding
  - <u>1-Tier Faculty System</u>

## FACCC Membership

- Mendocino College joins as a new contract district with FACCC!
- <u>FACCC Institutional Partnership</u> (NEW)
  - College of the Canyons
  - Chabot-Las Positas
  - City College of San Francisco

## FACCC Board meetings

- January 26 (Virtual full day)
- February 23 (Virtual <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> day, am)
- May 3 (Virtual ½ day, am)
- June 28-30 (In Person) Board meeting and retreat

## Other FACCC Events - register at FACCC.org

• All Committee Day, February 24 (In-person)

• Part-Time Symposium - rescheduled, likely in July 2024