Legislation and Governmental Relations Committee

September 25, 2014

CCC Confer 3:00pm – 5:00pm

Minutes

Attendees: Julie Adams, Kale Braden, Julie Bruno, Dan Crump, Silvester Henderson, David Morse, Stacey Searl-Chapin

Note-taker: Julie Bruno

1. Agenda approved
2. Minutes from September 4th meeting approved
3. LGRC Title Change – Bruno has submitted an agenda item for the next Executive Committee agenda.
4. Legislation
   1. Legislation Updates – Committee members reviewed the Legislation report and briefly discussed the bills signed by the Governor.
   2. Reports
      1. FACCC – Bruno had a conflict so Crump attended the FACCC board of directors meeting on September 19th.
      2. Chancellor’s Office – this item was discussed under legislation planning
   3. Legislation Planning
      1. Audit Fee – CCLC agreed to bring forward legislation proposal; FACCC is interested as well.
      2. Concurrent enrollment – CO sponsored this year’s legislation and pushed hard for passage but the legislation did not move forward. CTA came out in opposition to the legislation. The CO has indicated that concurrent enrollment will be on the next year’s legislative agenda.
      3. The CO is convening the Legislation committee so that constituents will submit proposals and the CO may decide which ones to sponsor.
      4. TMC Unit limit – Committee members discussed possible exceptions for higher units for certain disciplines within the SB1440 framework. Morse and Bruno will bring the idea to ICAS to see if CSU is interested in the idea.
5. Regulation Change through Consultation Council
   1. Support for service on Exec
      1. Title 5 provides for reassigned time for the ASCCC president and vice president but is silent regarding other serving Executive Committee members.
      2. All districts have been supportive of faculty serving on the Executive Committee and have accepted the terms of ASCCC reassignment including reimbursement. This year, a district requested complete compensation – including salary and benefits - for a faculty member elected to the Executive Committee. Such a request puts a burden on the ASCCC funding. The committee members discussed a change to regulation that would prevent such circumstances reoccurring.
   2. Members discussed investigating expanding the scope of the standing order on ASCCC purview.
6. Communication
   * 1. Legislation Report Format – tabled
     2. Alerts - tabled
     3. Legislative Liaison- Members discussed writing a Rostrum article on the functions and benefits of a dedicated position for local senates
        1. Members discussed surveying the field to identify those senates that have a legislative liaison and request information on the job duties of the position
        2. Searl-Chapin will work on survey
     4. Collaboration with Local Senates Committee
        1. A breakout on the Brown Act is scheduled for Plenary
        2. ASCCC has invited Michelle Goldberg to participate
7. Plenary Breakout
   1. In discussing the focus of the breakout, members thought that it would be useful to provide an overview of the legislative process including identifying the participants and how the ASCCC participates in the process. Additionally, members felt that the breakout should cover the legislative agenda and possibly advocacy strategies at the local level. Further planning will take place at the next meeting
   2. Bruno, Braden, Morse and Searle-Chapin are all available to participate in the breakout.
8. Next Meeting Agenda
   1. Members discussed who should be invited to the next committee meeting.
   2. Possible discussion topics for the next meeting:
      1. Strengthening local senates of knowledge of AB1725. Braden indicated that the Local Senates Committee is addressing this in the Empowering Local Senates handbook.
      2. How to define “primacy”
      3. Review and possibly update the CCLC/ASCCC Scenarios
9. Future meetings – Members discussed inviting representatives from state organizations to future meetings.
10. Senate Travel and Reimbursement – members discussed the process and forms for reimbursement.
11. Scheduled Meetings:
    1. October 29th from 10:00am to 3:00 pm Sacramento
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