



**Academic Senate
for California Community Colleges**

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Legislative and Advocacy Committee

October 22, 2020

1:00 pm-2:00 pm

ConferZoom

MINUTES

Members Present: Ginni May (chair), Adrienne Brown, Geoffrey Dyer, Christopher Howerton, Alexis Litzky, Eric Wada, Andrew Nickens (Chair of Legislative Affairs Committee for the Student Senate)

Members Absent: Stephanie Curry (2nd)

Guests: Andrew Nickens, SSSCC Liaison

1. Minutes taken by Alexis Litzky.
2. Approval of last meeting Minutes via email.
3. Approved Agenda.
4. Announcements
 - a. Rostrum article should be getting published soon but there has not been confirmation.
 - b. The Student Senate has requested a position for a student on this committee. Andrew Nickens, Folsom Lake College, joined the meeting will serve as a liaison to the Student Senate.
5. Plenary Session Breakout
 - a. Reviewed and edited PowerPoint draft as a group. We will review this again at next meeting.
 - i. Added legislative information from below to the 2019-20 Leg cycle in review and 2021-22 Leg cycle looking ahead.
 - ii. Adrienne Brown suggested adding a slide tying things together that tie legislation advocacy to the Chancellor's office call to action. Adrienne will create the additional slide and send it to Ginni May.
 - b. Discussed slides and presenters:
 - i. Confirmed that everyone except Stephanie Curry will be presenting.
 - ii. Ginni May thought new members of the committee might have some local examples of advocacy on Academic and Professional matters.
 - iii. Dolores Davison, Ginni May, and Geoffrey Dyer will speak to State Advocacy.
 - iv. All can participate by monitoring the chat.
6. **Resolutions** – Discussion:
 - a. We have 2 up for discussion: 6.01, 9.02

- b. 9.04 and 9.05 are both also about Ethnic Studies and might be worth reviewing before to the Plenary
 - i. There was a question about whether or not these new resolutions are in conflict with our resolutions or not. The other 2 resolutions have more specific changes but it's usually CCCCC (5C) who develops those specifics.
7. Legislative and Advocacy Day at the Capitol – Information
- a. Proposed Dates: February 22/23 on Executive Committee Consent Agenda for November 5, 2020 consideration
 - b. If in person:
 - i. Day 1: late afternoon training; group dinner
 - 1. Wendy Brill-Wynkoop, FACCC and ASCCC Exec Committee will join us
 - ii. Day 2: visits with legislators/staff
 - c. In Person or Virtual: to be determined
8. Committee Priorities – After the fall plenary session, we will have more.
9. [Events](#) and Important Dates (*Events in fall 2020 are virtual*)
- a. Executive Committee Meeting, November 4
 - b. 2020 Fall Plenary Session, November 5-7
10. Adjournment at 1:52pm.

Status of Previous Action Items

A. In Progress (include details about pending items such as resolutions, papers, *Rostrums*, etc.)

An article was submitted for consideration regarding the legislation of curriculum for the October/November Rostrum edition.

B. Completed (include a list of those items that have been completed as a way to build the end of year report).

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>
- ASCCC Legislative and Advocacy Committee page: <https://asccc.org/directory/legislative-and-advocacy-committee>
- [ASCCC Legislative Report to the Executive Committee](#), September 17, 2020

Remaining days for the 2020 Calendar:

- August 31, 2020: Last day for each house to pass bills.
- September 30, 2020: Last day for Governor to sign or veto bills passed by the legislature before September 1, and in the Governor's possession on or after September 1
- October 1, 2020: Bills enacted on or before this date go into effect January 1, 2021

The 2021-22 Regular Session convenes for Organizational Session at 12 noon on December 7, 2020.

Bills for 2020 (2nd year of the two-year cycle):

The messaging from the legislature is that bills that will be heard will be limited this year. Priority will be given to bills that:

- Absolutely must pass this year;
- Is directly Covid-19 related;
- Alleviates homelessness; or
- Is related to wildfire preparedness or response to PG&E bankruptcy.

Bills of Interest since last Executive Committee meeting (as of September 29, 2020):

- [AB 1460](#) (Weber, 2020): CSU Ethnic Studies, Signed into law by Governor Newsom on August 17, 2020
- [AB 3310](#) (Muratsuchi, 2020): CCC Ethnic Studies, *dead this year – expect it to come back*
- [AB 331](#) (Medina): Pupil instruction: high school graduation requirements: ethnic studies – *vetoed by the Governor September 30, 2020*
- [AB 3137](#) (Voepel, 2020) – Community Colleges: California College Promise: members of the Armed Forces of the United States – *approved by the governor and chaptered September 28, 2020*
- [AB 3374](#) (Committee on Higher Ed, 2020): Nursing – *approved by the governor and chaptered September 24, 2020*