FACCC Liaison Report to ASCCC
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FACCC Legislation Update

- [2022 FACCC Legislation and Advocacy Linktree of resources]

Sponsored Legislation

- **SR-45 (Min)** - Senate Resolution on Academic Freedom
  - Passed Senate Judiciary 9-0-2. It now heads to the floor.

- **AB 2315 (Arambula)** - Chosen name bill
  - Assemblymember Evan Low signed on as a co-author.
  - Equality California and California LGBTQ Health and Human Services Network co-sponsor the bill.
  - It will be heard in Assembly Higher Education Committee on April 26 at 1:30 pm.

Cosponsored Legislation

- **AB 1505 (Rodriguez)** - Rebench the FON bill
  - Passed Assembly Higher Education, Assembly Appropriations, and the Assembly floor 75-0-1 (abstention)
  - It is currently in Senate Rules
  - The Administrators are opposed (CCLC)

- **AB 1752 (Santiago)** - PT parity
  - Passed out of Assembly Higher Education Committee on April 5

- **AB 1856 (Medina)** - PT faculty can teach up to 85% of FT Load
  - Passed out of Assembly Higher Education Committee on April 5

- **AB 2820 (Medina)** - Eliminate Calbright
  - Assigned to Assembly Higher Education Committee.
  - It will be heard in Assembly Higher Education Committee on April 26 at 1:30 pm.
• Audit
  ○ FACCC is working with CCCI to establish an audit to determine how districts spent their full-time faculty hiring allocations.

• AB 1705 (Irwin) Opposed
  ○ FACCC has taken an “Opposed unless Amended” position
  ○ After several meetings with Irwin didn’t yield amendments to remedy our concerns, we took a formal position
  ○ Link to FACCC’s AB 1705 Talking Points, Suggested Amendments, and List of Faculty Actions document

• AB 1187 (Irwin) - Expansion of tutoring (Support)

• AB 1746 (Medina) - Cal Grant Reform (Support)

To see all of FACCC’s priorities and positions, check FACCC.org.

FACCC Budget Update

• Assembly Budget Committee – Sub 2 met on April 5.
  ○ The committee focused the hearing on community colleges, including enrollment, Calbright, the SCFF, and part-time faculty healthcare.
  ○ Committee members overwhelmingly expressed their dissatisfaction with the lack of progress with Calbright, with at least one committee member advocating eliminating the colleges’ funding. Chair McCarty mentioned that the Governor had given Calbright until the end of the year to show results. This is a departure from what we’ve previously heard - that the Governor is very supportive of the online college.
  ○ The committee was supportive of Part-Time Faculty Health Care; however, they debated the best way to make the funding effective. One committee member believes the funding would be better spent to make part-time faculty full-time. The LAO continues to argue that there is insufficient data to support the $200 million price tag and worries that it might be hard for “freeway flyers” to qualify and maintain health coverage due to their changing course schedules. FACCC believes that the implementation could be complicated, but we need to do everything we can to get the funding in the budget. The details can be figured out later.
  ○ The committee had many concerns about declining enrollment and the proposed changes to the SCFF. Some members of the committee believe having more in-person courses will increase enrollment. The LAO and DOF raised concerns about demographic challenges that will result in longer-term enrollment issues. The LAO, in particular, suggests that increasing base funding for colleges will be critical. The Chancellor’s Office seemed to agree with this approach. FACCC believes that more significant changes to the funding formula metrics are required, and stakeholders, including many districts, commented with a similar perspective.
Membership
- FACCC will donate $50 to the ASCCC Foundation for each new member who signs up at Spring Plenary
- We have new swag - for new members and for members who bring us a member

FACCC Advocacy Listserv
We are encouraging faculty to sign up for our new listserv. Through Google Groups, similar to the unofficial senate’s listserv, we envision it as a tool for faculty to ask questions in the legislative session.

Join our advocates list-serve by sending email to: FACCCadvocates+subscribe@googlegroups.com
You will receive an automatic email, follow the link, click join

Monthly Legislative Roundtables

Legislative Town Hall: Urgent Conversation About Our Mission
April, 20, 2022, 4:00 PM
Register

FACCC/ASCCC Partnerships

FACCC continues to make numerous visits to local senates and all four Area meetings
- Much of the conversations are around legislation and advocacy.

Rostrum - February 2022
Increasing Student Enrollment and Reducing Student Unit Accumulation: A Community College Paradox

Academic Freedom Webinar: Equity and Anti-Racism in Academic Freedom
- April 25, 2022, 2:00pm - 3:00pm

Legislative & Advocacy Training Webinars
- April 26, 6-8 pm. Register here
- May 24, 6-8 pm. Register here

If you can't make it to the live webinar:
FACCC/ASCCC February's Advocacy Webinar recording
Advocacy Webinar presentation materials

FACCC Board meetings
- May 7 (Virtual)
- June 24-26 Board Retreat (Sacramento)

FACCC Events - register at FACCC.org
FACCC Great Teachers Seminar
- August 7-11, 2022 (Asilomar)