

February 20, 2025, Consultation Council Meeting Minutes

“Digest” means an item has been through internal review by the Chancellor’s Office and the review entities. The item now has form and substance and is officially “entered into Consultation.” The Consultation Council reviews the item and provides advice to the Chancellor.

Deputy Chancellor Tomaneng called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m.

The following Consultation Council (Council) members were present:

Mario Rodriguez (ACBO), Julianna Mosier (ACHRO/EEO), Cheryl Aschenbach (ASCCC), LaTonya Parker (ASCCC), Eric Kaljumägi (CCA/CTA), Jim Mahler (CCC/CFT), Robert Cabral (CCCAOE), Isabel O’Connor (CCCCIO), K. Frindell Teuscher (CCCI), Barbara Dunsheath as proxy for Andra Hoffman (CCCT), Tiffany Mok as proxy for Pamela Ford (CCE/CFT), Larry Galizio (CCLC), Manuel Payan (CSEA), Stacy Shears as proxy for Christopher Sweeten (CSSO), Wendy Brill-Wynkoop (FACCC), Ivan Hernandez (SSCCC), Annie Koruga (SSCCC)

CONSULTATION COUNCIL ACRONYMS AND INITIALISMS

ACBO	Association of Chief Business Officers
ACCCA	Association of California Community College Administrators
ACHRO/EEO	Association of Chief Human Resources Officers/Equal Employment Officers
ASCCC	Academic Senate for the California Community Colleges
CCA/CTA	Community College Association/California Teachers Association
CCC/CFT	Community College Council/California Federation of Teachers
CCCAOE	California Community College Association for Occupational Education
CCCCIO	California Community Colleges Chief Instructional Officers
CCCI	California Community College Independents
CCCT	California Community College Trustees
CCE/CFT	Council of Classified Employees/California Federation of Teachers
CCLC	Community College League of California
CEOCCC	Chief Executive Officers of the California Community Colleges
CSEA	California School Employees Association
CSSO	Chief Student Services Officers
FACCC	Faculty Association of the California Community Colleges
SSCCC	Student Senate for California Community Colleges

AGENDA DIGEST ITEMS

Digest Item 1.2: Chancellor's Office Update

(Chancellor Christian)

The Chancellor’s Office (CO) presented updates on relevant developments and time-sensitive changes since the previous Consultation Council meeting, as well as digest items previously presented that may require additional consultation.

Discussion Summary:

- No discussion.

Digest Item 1.3: Student Senate Update

(SSCCC President Hernandez and VPLA Koruga)

This digest item presented updates on the SSSCC current initiatives, legislative stances, system participation, and the status of the SSSCC Board of Directors.

Discussion Summary:

- ASCCC commended SSSCC on their federal advocacy efforts.

Digest Item 1.4: Proposed Regulatory Action: Direct Assessment

Competency-Based Education

(Deputy Chancellor Tomaneng)

This digest item presented the proposed regulatory action amends the existing direct assessment competency-based education (CBE) title 5 sections to align to federal requirements, provide greater clarity, and improve implementation of direct assessment CBE programs.

Discussion Summary:

- FACCC inquired about standardization and templates.
- CCA asked about apportionments and the method for calculating full time equivalent students (FTES).
- ASCCC echoed FACCC's concerns and raised issues about having 116 variations, emphasizing the need for collaboration with CSU and UC partners.
- ASCCC requested an update on apportionments and the student fee structure.
- SSSCC provided a student perspective regarding grading and standardization in relation to Assembly Bill (AB) 928.
- ASCCC requested a future discussion on CBE vs. Direct Assessment CBE, particularly regarding structure and financial aid.
- FACCC supported ASCCC's recommendation for a future discussion on CBE vs. Direct Assessment CBE.
- CSEA inquired about who would receive required reports in the event that the Department of Education is dissolved.

Digest Item 1.5: Proposed Regulatory Action: Certificate of Achievement

(Deputy Chancellor Tomaneng)

This digest item presented the first reading of proposed regulations concerning certificate of achievement to align Title 5 to Assembly Bills (AB) 705 (2018) and 1705 (2022).

Discussion Summary:

- ASCCC agreed with the changes and inquired about the specific language modifications.

Digest Item 1.6: State and Federal Update

(Vice Chancellor O'Brien and Assistant Vice Chancellor Vazquez)

This digest item provided Consultation Council with a state and federal update.

Discussion Summary:

- FACCC recommended that the CO share the California Community Colleges advocacy document used during the Washington, DC Federal Advocacy Trip.
- CSSO raised concerns about changes in the Department of Education and their potential impacts at the local level, particularly regarding grants.
- ACBO commended the CO Government Relations team for their presentation, analysis, and messaging. They also requested that a flexible block grant be considered in advocacy requests.
- CO asked to be notified as soon as possible if colleges receive information about grant impacts, non-renewals, or terminations so that appropriate action can be taken.
- CCA requested more information regarding the Board of Governors Advocacy Day scheduled for April 1, 2025.
- CCCIO commended the mentioning of grants and highlighted their potential impact on employees and students. They also praised the CO's guidance and requested additional support.
- ASCCC emphasized the student perspective on AB 705/AB 1705.
- CSEA noted that politics are local and requested a town hall meeting to discuss local impacts. They also inquired about the possibility of deputizing local community college police departments to collaborate with Homeland Security/ICE.
- CCLC shared information about their upcoming webinar on Wednesday, February 26, 2025, from 9:00-10:00 AM. ([Register Here](#))
- FACCC commended SSCCC for their efforts in the AB 1705 hearing, recognizing those who testified.

Digest Item 1.7: AI Literacy Guidelines and AI Educational Series Updates

(Visiting Executive Hayward)

This digest item provided an update on the Board of Governors' (Board) Artificial Intelligence (AI) Educational Series.

Discussion Summary:

- CCCI raised concerns regarding the Math tutoring tool.
- CFT echoed CCCI's concerns and inquired about opportunities to present alternative tools for consideration.
- ASCCC expressed concerns about the lack of faculty and student involvement in governance.

Item 1.8: Dreamscape Learn Virtual Biology Lab Initiative

(Acting Assistant Vice Chancellor James Todd)

This digest item provides information on a proposed systemwide partnership with Dreamscape Learn (DSL) to utilize their 2D Biology Lab courseware.

Discussion Summary:

- CCCI expressed interest in the process used to establish, identify, and select tools or technologies and raised governance concerns.
- ASCCC shared concerns regarding faculty purview and questioned the impact of faculty input in presenting the item to the Board of Governors at the proposed meeting.
- CCA raised questions about the adaptability and widescale adoption of the technology.
- CSEA reiterated the role of classified tutors and the potential impact of technology on their work.
- CCLC inquired about the extent of student engagement, collaboration, and teamwork in virtual realities.
- ASCCC emphasized the importance of incorporating faculty and student input in decision-making.

Digest Item 1.9: Other

(Deputy Chancellor Tomaneng)

This digest item provided members of the Council an opportunity to make announcements or seek collaborations that will help our system better serve students.

Discussion Summary:

- No discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.