

December 18, 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.

CALL TO ORDER

Deputy Chancellor Tomaneng called the Consultation Council meeting to order at 9:31 AM via Zoom.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present:

Mario Rodriguez, ACBO	Sue Chan, CCCT
Charo Albarron, ACHRO/EEO	Pamela Ford, CCE/CFT
LaTonya Parker, ASCCC	Larry Galizio, CCLC
Robert L. Stewart, Jr., ASCCC	Willy Duncan, CEOCCC
Randa B. Wahbe, CCA/CTA	Manuel Payan, CSEA
Jim Mahler, CCC/CFT	Henan L. Joof, CSSO
Tina Recalde, CCCAOE	Oranit Limmaneeprasert, FACCC
Isabel O'Connor, CCCCIO	Jerry Reyes, SSCCC
K. Frindell Teuscher, CCCI	Alisha Nagpal, SSCCC

The following members were absent:

Daren Otten, ACCCA

CONSULTATION COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP ORGANIZATIONS

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

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AGENDA DIGEST ITEMS

1.1: Chancellor's Office Update

(Chancellor Christian)

The Chancellor's Office 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:

- CCLC and CEOCCC highlighted the Sierra College housing event and thanked the Chancellor's Office for their participation.
- CCLC inquired about the WestEd baccalaureate program report and the Board of Governors' role in addressing program backlogs. The Chancellor's Office reaffirmed that meeting workforce needs remains a priority and the Board will review the programs.
- CSEA requested information on the Economic and Workforce Development Advisory Committee and the support for equitable pathways.

1.2: Student Senate Update

(SSCCC President Reyes and VPLA Nagpal)

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

Discussion Summary:

- The Chancellor's Office, FACCC, and CSEA praised SSCCC's advocacy and testimony before the Higher Education Oversight Committee on behalf of student access and equity.

1.3: California Community Colleges Gender Equity Workgroup Report

(Vice Chancellor O'Brien)

This digest item presented an update on the California Community Colleges Gender Equity Workgroup Report.

Discussion Summary:

- ACHRO/EEO, FACCC, ACBO, CEOCCC, and CCLC discussed Title IX compliance costs and oversight. Members supported exempting Title IX expenses from the 50% Law and ensuring stable funding.
- The Chancellor's Office noted the 50% Law was outside the workgroup's charge but will be considered in future discussions. The Chancellor's Office also shared the [Assembly Higher Education Committee "A Call to Action" report](#) (https://ahed.assembly.ca.gov/system/files/2024-02/a-call-to-action-report-2024_0.pdf)

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and the [text of Assembly Bill \(AB\) 2048](#) (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202320240AB2048).

1.4: State and Federal Update

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

This digest item provided an update on State and Federal policy issues, advocacy priorities, and legislation.

Discussion Summary:

- FACCC and CCE/CFT discussed AB 2048, with CCE/CFT noting its co-sponsorship and FACCC urging Chancellor's Office support.
- FACCC also questioned the Legislative Analyst's Office's (LAO) COLA projections. The Chancellor's Office predicted a slightly lower near-term rate with future growth anticipated.

1.5: Workforce Pell Grant Program Overview

(Executive Vice Chancellor Ferguson, Vice Chancellor Cordova, and Vice Chancellor Shears)

This digest item provided information to the Consultation Council regarding the recently enacted federal Workforce Pell Grant Program.

Discussion Summary:

- No discussion.

1.6: Proposed Regulatory Action: Awarding Credit for Advanced Placement and Other External Standardized Examinations

(Vice Chancellor Todd and Visiting Executive May)

This digest item provided revised proposed amendments to title 5, § 55052 and § 55052.5 following feedback during the October 2025 Consultation Council meeting and review and recommendation by the California Community Colleges Curriculum Committee (5C).

Discussion Summary:

- The Chancellor's Office reviewed [AB 1985](#) (https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=201520160AB1985).
- CCA/CTA inquired about subsection (c). The Chancellor's Office explained the language allows flexibility for colleges.
- FACCC commended the work on this digest item but cautioned against replacing instruction with one exam.
- CSEA underscored the importance of using "shall" when negotiating contract language.

- FACCC sought clarification on § 55052(b) regarding faculty approval language. The Chancellor's Office clarified that the requirement is covered under § 79500 and ASCCC standards.

1.7: Other

(Deputy Chancellor Tomaneng)

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

Discussion Summary:

- FACCC and CCE/CFT called for renewed discussion on AI's impact on faculty, staff, and students, urging clear policy guidance and the development of shared best practices.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:28 PM.