March 21, 2024, 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 Gonzales called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

The following Consultation Council (Council) members were present:
Aaron Brown (ACBO), Eric Ramones (ACCCA), Cheryl Aschenbach (ASCCC) Manuel Vélez (ASCCC), Eric Kaljumägi (CCA/CTA), Jim Mahler (CCC/CFT), Robert Cabral (CCCAOE), Kuni Hay (CCCCIO), K. Frindell Teuscher (CCI), Andra Hoffman (CCCT), Pamela Ford (CCE/CFT), Larry Galizio (CCLC), Roger Schultz proxy for Julianna Barnes (CEOCCC), Manuel Payan (CSEA), Manuel Alejandro Pérez (CSSO), Wendy Brill-Wynkoop (FACCC), Cassandra Flandre-Nguyen (SSCCC), Chanelle Win (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
CCI     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:
None.
Digest Item 1.3: Student Senate Update  
(*SSCCC President Flandre-Nguyen and VPLA Win*)  
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:**
- ACCCA prioritized any bill or budgetary item that alleviates financial strain on students.
- ACBO prioritized the state budget.
- CSSO prioritized affordability and access.
- CCCIO echoed ACBO by prioritizing a budget that would remove barriers for students.
- CCCAOE prioritized career pathways.
- CSEA prioritized the state budget, workforce development and the AI initiative.
- CCC/CFT prioritized free higher education.
- CEOCCC prioritized access.
- CCLC prioritized funding to improve the capacity to service students.
- CCA/CTA prioritized equity.
- SSCCC prioritized student basic needs, and highlighted Cal Grant reform and student housing affordability.
- ASCCC prioritized state funding of the Open Education resources and textbook affordability.
- FACCC prioritized free higher education.
- CCCT prioritized the expansion of a college promise program to baccalaureate degree programs at community colleges.

Digest Item 1.4: Miscellaneous Regulatory Action  
(*General Counsel LeForestier*)  
This digest item presented proposed regulatory action implementing miscellaneous amendments related to recent legislation, the adoption of definitions, and other clarifications.

**Discussion Summary:**
- CCA/CTA inquired about first year college students.
- ASCCC inquired about African American students under the higher education definition.

Digest Item 1.5: Proposed Regulatory Action: Nonresident Tuition Exemption  
(*Vice Chancellor O’Brien and Assistant Vice Chancellor Vazquez*)  
This digest item was a first reading of a regulatory action that will amend the regulations governing the process for a student to apply for and receive a nonresident tuition
exemption under Education Code, Section 68130.5, commonly known as Assembly Bill (AB) 540.

**Discussion Summary:**
- FACCC inquired about items heard for first read and second read.
- CO clarified the differences between first reading, second reading, and action items.

**Digest Item 1.6: Update on Districts’ Fiscal Health and the Fifty Percent Law (Vice Chancellor Finche)**
This digest item provided an update on community college districts’ fiscal health and resiliency and compliance with the Fifty Percent Law.

**Discussion Summary:**
- CCC/CFT expressed concerns about compliance with the Fifty Percent Law.
- CCA/CTA expressed concerns with the College of San Mateo falling under the Fifty Percent Law.
- CCLC encouraged communication with College of San Mateo regarding
- ACBO inquired about FCMAT support.
- CSEA inquired about next steps for a college if their local board rejects assistance.
- CO detailed the different metrics used at the Chancellor’s Office to collaborate with the college district and board leadership.

**Digest Item 1.7: State and Federal Update (Vice Chancellor O’Brien)**
This digest item provided Consultation Council with a State and Federal Update.

**Discussion Summary:**
- FACCC advocated for BAs in teacher prep.
- CCCT echoed FACCC by advocating for BAs in teacher prep.
- CCA/CTA advocated for BA degrees in education, Pre-K3 degree, and highlighted the concept of a general list of vocational arts credential.
- CSSO inquired about a timeline regarding the FAFSA completion process.
- SSCCC detailed their community college advocacy with the Department of Education.
- CSSO inquired about a timeline regarding the residency study completion.
- CCLC expressed concerns with Senate Bill (SB) 1388.
- ACCCA echoed FACCC by advocating for BAs in teacher prep.
- ACBO echoed CCLC by expressing concerns on SB 1388.
- CCA/CTA voiced support for SB 1388.
Digest Item 1.8: Vision 2030 Healthcare Demonstration Project Bridging the Nursing Gap
*(Vice Chancellor Ruan-O'Shaughnessy and Vice Chancellor Cordova)*

This digest item presented the Consultation Council with an overview of the Vision 2030 Healthcare Demonstration Project.

**Discussion Summary:**
Take out of order around 10:17am

- SSCCC inquired about the breakdown of racial groups.
- CCA/CTA inquired about the program candidates.
- ASCCC inquired about the program candidates.
- CSEA commended the work on this digest item.
- CCCAOE echoed CSEA by commending the work on this digest item.
- CEO highlighted that trend lines data exists.
- SSCCC expressed concerns about the disaggregated data of the breakdown of racial groups.
- CCCT inquired about the nursing program.
- ACCCA commended the work on this digest item.
- CSEA echoed ACCCA by commending the work on this digest item.

Digest Item 1.9: Advancing Equity: Creating Access, Delivering Support, and Ensuring Success
*(Deputy Chancellor Gonzales, Assistant Vice Chancellor Martinez, and Visiting Executive Buul)*

This digest item provided the Consultation Council with an annual update on the implementation of the California Community Colleges Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility Integration Plan which, also includes an update on Equal Employment Opportunity.

**Discussion Summary:**

- CSEA voiced support for March Madness.
- ACCCA commended the work on this digest item.
- CSEA celebrated Hispanic higher education leaders.

Digest Item 1.10: Other
*(Deputy Chancellor Gonzales)*

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:

- ASCCC highlighted their Spring Plenary event.
- CCLC expressed concerns with Cal PASS Plus.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.