



The Consultation Council

August 21, 2008

Meeting Summary

Consultation Council Members:

	Anzalone, Andrew	X	Hewitt, Bill		Villegas, Luis
X	Austin, Jim		Lay, Scott	X	Wright, Sheri
	Carter, Troy	X	Lieu, Mark Wade		Zacovic, Mark
	Friedlander, Carl	X	Milburn, Reid	X	Bruckman, Steve
X	Gaskin, Lori	X	Neault, Lynn	X	Woodruff, Diane
X	Hansen, Richard	X	Payan, Manuel		
X	Harrington, Nicki	X	Patton, Jane		
		X	Reel, Ron Norton		

X – Indicates attendance

Other Attendees: [Dean Murakami](#), [Richael Young](#), [Rita Mize](#), [Michael Magee](#), [Leslie Smith](#), [Bonnie Slosson](#), [Raj Bajaj](#), [Lynette Nyaggah](#), [Jonathan Lightman](#), [Suzie Walton](#), [Dennis Frisch](#), [Lebaron Woodyard](#), [Patricia Laurent](#), [David Fisher](#), [Marianne Estes](#), [Chris Yatooma](#), [Paul Steenhausen](#), [Erik Skinner](#), [Marlene Garcia](#), [Linda Michalowski](#), [Carole Bogue-Feinour](#)

Meeting Summaries: Consultation Council reviewed the summary from the June 19, 2008 meeting.

2009-10 System Budget Request: update by Erik Skinner

Vice Chancellor Erik Skinner provided the following update to Consultation Council:

1. The Budget Workgroup met in June, July and August to develop the 2009-10 System Budget Request
2. The proposal was developed with the state budget crisis in mind
3. The Budget Workgroups focus was protecting base funding.
4. For 2009-10 the workgroup want to push restoration of the COLA.
5. The COLA deficiency could fluctuate based on the outcome of the 2008-09 budget.

Vice Chancellor Erik Skinner thanked the Budget Workgroup for all of their effort this year.

State and Federal Government Relations Update

Vice Chancellor Marlene Garcia went over the following legislation with the Consultation Council:

1. **AB2261 (Ruskin) – Community College: Open Education Resources Center** – This bill establishes statewide policy for Open Education Resource Center programs and designates one college as the central repository for collecting and disseminating data.
2. **SB558 (Runner) – Postsecondary Education: Community College School Buildings** – This bill establishes alternative building standards.

3. **SB325 (Scott) – Postsecondary Education: Educational and Economic Goals for California Higher Education** – This bill establishes a statewide accountability and reporting system for all segments of higher education.
4. **SB946 (Scott) – Community College Early Assessment Pilot Program** – This bill would establish the Community College Early Assessment Pilot Program for high school students with an indicator of their readiness for college English and mathematics.
5. **SB1437 (Padilla) – Education Technology: California Virtual Campus – Concurrent Enrollment** – This bill allows California Community Colleges to apply for funds from public utility companies and how now been expanded to include a five-year extension to the current exemption for summer concurrent enrollment.
6. **SB1585 (Padilla) – California Community Colleges: Transfer Students** – This bill has been co-authored with CSU and UC and would require the community colleges to create a pilot program for improving transfer success among basic skills students.

Assessment and Placement APG: update by Mark Wade Lieu and Steve Bruckman

An assessment and placement *System Strategic Plan* Action Planning Group (APG) has been created to work on assessment and placement issues. The group will be co-chaired by Mark Wade Lieu, President of the Academic Senate and Executive Vice Chancellor Steve Bruckman.

Academic Calendars, Course Scheduling, and Related Topics: update by Elias Regalado, Carole Bogue-Feinour and Chris Yatooma

Elias Regalado presented an addendum concerning academic calendars, course scheduling, and related topics to the Consultation Council. The addendum lays out guidelines for how to properly compress calendars.

September Consultation Council Retreat: update by Steve Bruckman

The 2008 Consultation Council Retreat will be held on September 17th from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. at the Residence Inn by Marriott Sacramento at Capitol Park: 1121 L Street.

Other:

- a. **Paul Steenhausen** – spoke to Consultation Council about the LAO report he authored entitled “Back to Basics: Improving College Readiness of Community College Students.
- b. **Letter from Mark Wade Lieu** – distributed a letter that he wrote to President Bush expressing strong opposition of California community college faculty to the use of standardized testing as the exemplary measurement to be required for the receipt of Perkins Funds. The letter also suggested alternative accountability methods.