



# The Consultation Council

February 18, 2010

## Meeting Summary

### Consultation Council Members:

Burgess, Terrance	X	McDowell, John	Villegas, Luis
Burke, Thomas	X	Milburn, Reid	Wade, Marcia
Darnell, Roe		Esposito-Noy, Celia	Bruckman, Steve
X DeBauche, Chris	X	Patton, Jane	Lynn, Morgan
X Friedlander, Carl	X	Payan, Manuel	X Scott, Jack
X Hansen, Richard	X	Pilati, Michelle	
X Kilmer, Renée		Ramos, Irma	
Lay, Scott		Reel, Ron Norton	

### X – Indicates attendance

Other Attendees: Lynnette Nyaggah, Barry Russell, Monica Souza, Paula Munoz, Jonathan Lightman, Dean Murakami, Dennis Frisch, Marlene Garcia, Rita Mize, Theresa Tena, Deborah Malumed, Dean Mancina, LeAnn Fong-Batkin, Joshua Golka, Mark MacDonald, Deborah Harmon, Valerie Purnell, Michael Magee, Kayla Moreland, Justin Salenik, Sarah Tyson

**Meeting Summaries:** Consultation Council reviewed the summary from the January 21, 2010 meeting.

### **State Budget Update:** by Erik Skinner (1 Handout)

Vice Chancellor Erik Skinner updated the Consultation Council on the budget.

1. The Legislature is looking at mid-year cuts however there are no cuts on the table for community colleges.
2. Budget subcommittee hearings maybe scheduled for mid-March.
3. SB 31 (Cedillo) – this legislation would direct \$20 million in ARRA funds to support energy management at community college campuses.

Vice Chancellor Erik Skinner asked each Consultation Council constituent groups to speak about their upcoming advocacy efforts.

### **State Update:** by Marlene Garcia

Vice Chancellor Marlene Garcia updated Consultation Council on state activities.

### The following legislation was discussed:

1. **SBX8 31 (Cedillo) Community College Energy Management Program** – This bill would appropriate \$20 million in unspent ARRA funds to the California community

colleges for energy efficiency projects that reduce energy consumption, increase skills training opportunities, and increase the sustainability of community college campuses.

2. **SB 964 (Alquist) High Speed Rail: Workforce Training** – This bill would appropriate \$25 million from the High-Speed Rail bond funds (Proposition 1A) to finance the first phase of a workforce training program jointly managed by the rail authority and the state’s community colleges to construct, maintain, and operate a high-speed rail system in California.
3. **SB 675 (Steinberg) Energy Job Training – Clean Tech and Renewable Energy** – This bill would use existing Public Interest Energy Research (PIER) funds for the construction or reconfiguring of facilities or schools for career technical education that prepares students for employment related to clean technology, renewable energy or energy efficiency.
4. A Master Plan hearing focusing on transfer has been scheduled for March 10<sup>th</sup>.
5. California Community College Advocates Day is scheduled for Tuesday, March 2.

Assistant Vice Chancellor Valerie Purnell discussed federal activities for the upcoming year.

Federal Priorities:

1. Completion Rates
2. Transfer
3. Veterans
4. Career Technical Education (CTE)

Federal Legislation:

1. **H.R. 3221 – The Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2009** – This bill provides \$9 billion in direct assistance to community colleges over the next 10 years.
2. **H.R. 2847 – Jobs for Main Street** – This bill stimulates the economy by providing \$75 billion for critical job growth, \$23 billion of which would go to states to create new education jobs over the next two years.
3. **Veteran’s Appropriations Request** – This proposal funds the build-out of existing best practices models that offer comprehensive centers where veterans can go to tap the array of services, referrals, peer-to-peer communication and camaraderie need to succeed as students.

**Student Senate Update:** by Reid Milburn and Chris DeBauche

Reid Milburn and Chris DeBauche spoke to the Consultation Council about the activities of the student senate.

1. The Campaign for College Opportunity has been contacting the Student Senate aggressively. Reid Milburn, President of the Student Senate will sit on a panel that will discuss community college issues.
2. Student Senate President Reid Milburn introduced Chris DeBauche, Vice President of the Student Senate to the Consultation Council.

## **Other**

### **Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Kaplan College:**

Members of Consultation Council discussed their concerns (financial aid and articulation) about the MOU with Kaplan College. Chancellor Scott discussed his reasons for signing the MOU with Consultation Council but stated that he would be happy to look into the concerns further. It was recommended that a one-time group be formed to discuss the concern that Consultation Council has. An agenda item maybe added to a future Consultation Council agenda on the Kaplan MOU.