



## **Fiscal and Governmental Affairs (FGA) Committee Annual Report 2010-2011**

### **1. Committee Responsibilities**

The Fiscal and Governmental Affairs Committee (FGA) made recommendations to the Academic Senate of the California State University on matters of statewide concern, including but not limited to, the following areas:

- a) system budgets including strategic and academic initiatives;
- b) adequate funding for the cost of instruction;
- c) academically related fiscal matters;
- d) assessment of faculty productivity and its relationship to the budget planning process;
- e) current and evolving measures of accountability as they relate to the budget planning and evaluation process;
- f) support for Academic Senate positions and policies before the Legislature and other governmental bodies;
- g) the proposal of legislation and policies for consideration by the Legislature and other governmental bodies consistent with Academic Senate policy; and
- h) support for Academic Senate positions and policies before the Legislature and other governmental bodies;
- i) inform the Executive Committee and the Academic Senate of relevant matters pending before the state government; and
- j) such other matters as may be brought before it by the Executive committee or the Academic Senate CSU.

Further, at the direction of the Chair, the committee shall:

- k) represent the Academic Senate before governmental bodies;
- l) assist the Chair in determining the timeliness and accuracy of Academic Senate resolutions directed to the Legislature;
- m) work with standing committees of the Academic Senate in researching resolutions directed to the Legislature; and
- n) develop a cooperative working relationship with the Office of the Chancellor and the Trustees so that the CSU can, whenever possible, present a unified approach to the Legislature.

The Fiscal and Governmental Affairs Committee maintained liaison with other CSU committees, commissions, and task forces as designated.

## **2. Committee Resolutions**

The Fiscal and Governmental Affairs Committee (FGA) submitted 20 resolutions to the full Academic Senate of the California State University for consideration. Of these, 9 resolutions were co-sponsored in collaboration with other standing committee/s, and 2 resolutions were withdrawn given the practical feedback received in plenary session.

- a) AS-3028-11/FGA  
Enhancing Student Success Using Resource Management Response Strategies
- b) AS-3027-11/FGA/AA  
Support for the California State University's Professional Doctorate Tuition Fees
- c) AS-3026-11/FA/FGA  
Reaffirmation of CSU System-wide Policies Governing Special Sessions
- d) AS-3021-11/FA/FGA  
Support for Public Employees and Collective Bargaining
- e) AS-3016-11/FGA (Rev)  
Concerns about Summer Session Courses and Fees (withdrawn)
- f) AS-3015-11/FGA (Rev)  
Statewide Access to California State University
- g) AS-3012-11/FGA (Rev)

Support of AB 130 (Cedillo) Student Financial Aid: Eligibility: California Dream Act of 2011

h) AS-3011-11/FGA (Rev)

Support of SB 8 (Yee) Public Records: Auxiliary Organizations

i) AS-3010-11/FA/FGA/AA

Condemnation of the Suspension of the Faculty Senate at Idaho State University

j) AS-3007-11/AA/FGA (Rev)

Support for the California State Student Association (CSSA) Resolution Calling for the Standardization of Student Response Systems

k) AS-3006-11/FGA (Rev)

Support of the Development of a Consistent Methodology for the Analysis of the Student-Faculty Ratio and Intra- and Inter-Campus Expenditures on Instruction

l) AS-3000-11/AA/FGA (Rev)

Support for Adequate Resources for CSU Libraries

m) AS-2997-10/FGA (Rev)

Call for Consultation on Institutional Restructuring or Redesign Initiatives

n) AS-2996-11/FGA/EX

Commendation for Allison Jones, Assistant Vice Chancellor of Student Academic Support

o) AS-2994-10/FGA/AA (Rev)

Call for Continued Intersegmental Collaboration on the Implementation of AB 1295 (Fuller) – Postsecondary Education Nursing Degree Programs

p) AS-2993-10/FGA (Rev)

Fiscal Concerns on Implementation of Early Start Programs

q) AS-2992-10/FA/FGA (Rev)

Sale, Distribution or Publishing of Class Materials for Commercial Use

r) AS-2981-10/FGA (Rev)

Adequate Financial Support for the Academic Senate CSU (ASCSU)

s) AS-2975-10/FGA (Rev)

Support for High Quality, Appropriate, and Affordable Course Materials (withdrawn)

t) AS-2970-10/FGA

Call for Adequate and Sustainable Support for the California State University (CSU)

### **3. Actions and Discussions Other Than Resolutions**

The Fiscal and Governmental Affairs Committee (FGA) acted on and discussed items other than resolutions. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a) Announcements and Updates
- b) Campus Reports; Liaison Reports; Member Items

#### Fiscal Affairs

- c) Budget Conference Committee 2010-2011 Budget Package (October 6, 2010)
- d) California Budget Project – detailed analysis of budget proposals from various legislative and executive bodies
- e) Cost Effectiveness of Faculty Retention
- f) CSU 2011-2012 Budget Priorities
- g) CSU’s Older Students Get Free Ride Amid Cuts
- h) Discussed FGA action on CSU Board of Trustees’ Committee on Finance reports, if any
- i) Discussed support for the CSU Renaming of “Student University Fee” to “State University Tuition”
- j) Early Start Implementation and Fiscal Impact on Campuses and Students
- k) How Student Fees Boost College Sports Amid Rising Budgets
- l) Systemwide Budget Advisory Committee (SBAC)

#### Governmental Affairs

- m) ASCSU Bylaw 9 Apportionment of Senate Seats
- n) ASCSU’s FGA Legislative Matrix and legislative bill tracking

#### ***Assembly Bills***

- AB 586 (Huber) – Worker’s Comp: Public Employees
- AB 867 (Nava) – CSU DNP
- AB 1295 (Fuller) – Postsecondary Education: Nursing Degree Programs
- AB 1436 (Portantino) – Meetings Live Audio

- AB 1890 (Comm. H.Ed.) – Property: Lost and Unclaimed
- AB 1901 (Ruskin) – Postsecondary Education: Master Plan
- AB 1972 (Lowenthal) – Affinity Programs
- AB 2086 (Coto) – Publication of Licensure Exam Passing Rates
- AB 2203 (Solorio) – College Textbooks
- AB 2302 (Fong) – Postsecondary Ed: Student Transfer
- AB 2382 (Blumenfeld) – CSU DPT
- AB 2402 (Block) – CSU: Admissions
- AB 2668 (Galgiani) – Postsecondary Ed: Accountability

***Senate Bills***

- SB 650 (Yee) – Whistleblower Act Damages
  - SB 724 (Scott) – CSU EdD
  - SB 969 (Florez) – Fee Stabilization Act
  - SB 1046 (Cogdill) – Claim Filing Process
  - SB 1143 (Liu) – Community College Funding
  - SB 1357 (Steinberg) – CA Longitudinal Pupil Achievement Data
  - SB 1440 (Padilla) – CCC Student Transfer
  - SB 1460 (Cedillo) – California Dream Act
- o) Discussed FGA action on CSU’s Access to Excellence systemwide strategic plan, if any
- p) Discussed FGA action on CSU Board of Trustees’ Committee on Governmental Relations reports, if any
- q) Discussed FGA action on CFA’s 2011 Faculty/Staff Submitted Legislative Proposals, if any
- r) Discussed FGA action on CSSA’s University Affairs Action Plan, if any
- s) Planned for FGA hosting of ASCSU March social
- t) Planned for ASCSU’s FGA Lobby Day

Logistical arrangements

Legislative bills of interest

Met with President King Alexander to discuss his report and FGA advocacy efforts

FGA advocacy brochure

Schedule of legislative visits

#### 4. **Items for Consideration by FGA in 2011-2012**

The Fiscal and Governmental Affairs Committee (FGA) may wish to consider the following items for planning meeting agendas in the coming year. These include, but are not limited to, the following:

- a) Announcements and Updates
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##### Fiscal Affairs

- c) CSU 2012-2013 Budget Priorities
- d) Discuss FGA action on CSU Board of Trustees' Committee on Finance reports, if any
- e) Systemwide Budget Advisory Committee (SBAC)

##### Governmental Affairs

- f) ASCSU's FGA Legislative Matrix and legislative bill tracking
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#### 5. **FGA Committee Membership in 2010-2011**

The Fiscal and Governmental Affairs Committee (FGA) consisted of 10 members whose productive contributions and thorough efforts led to an effective year:

- Darlene Yee-Melichar, Chair (San Francisco)
- Buckley Barrett, Vice Chair (San Bernardino)

- Edward Aguado (San Diego)
- Michael Ault (Bakersfield)
- Jim Meriwether (Channel Islands)
- Dick Montanari (San Marcos)
- Catherine Nelson (Sonoma)
- Cezar Ornatowski (San Diego)
- Praveen Soni (Long Beach)
- William Wagner, III (Channel Islands)

#### **6. FGA Special Consultants in 2010-2011**

The Fiscal and Governmental Affairs Committee (FGA) drew upon the expertise of 12 special consultants. We are grateful to the following colleagues for sharing informative reports and updates with us:

- David Hood (ASCSU Budget Specialist)
- Thomas Krabacher (ASCSU Executive Committee Liaison and ASCSU Legislative Specialist)
- John Travis (CFA Liaison)
- King Alexander (President, CSU Long Beach)
- Jim Blackburn (Student Academic Support)
- Eric Forbes (Chancellor's Office)
- Marsha Hirano-Nakanishi (Chancellor's Office)
- Christine Mallon (State University Dean)
- Margie Merryfield (Human Resources)
- Ken O'Donnell (State University Associate Dean)
- Robert Turnage (AVC, Systemwide Budget)
- Karen Zamarripa (AVC Advocacy and State Relations)

#### **7. FGA Chair's Thanks**

My sincere appreciation to my committee colleagues for our teamwork along with my gratitude for the opportunity to serve as FGA Committee Chair during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

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