Fiscal and Governmental Affairs
Interim Meeting Notes
Long Beach, CA
October 12, 2007

Present: Fred Hornbeck (Chair), Dick Montanari, Edward Aguado, David Hood, Praveen Soni, Catherine Nelson, Buckley Barrett, Paul O’Brien
Guest: Allison Jones

1. Agenda approved
2. Minutes approved
3. Announcements/Discussion from Chair Hornbeck
   1. Added Access to Excellence discussion as an item of business (9.8)
   2. Discussion on enrollment growth and budget implications
   3. Special task force on textbook affordability will meet at lunch in joint session
   4. Professional business program fees
   5. Distinctive Universities background

Guests:

Patrick Lenz via telephone

- Discussion on compact and requesting additional funding
- Updated ACR73 budget needs was projected 38 million now 42 million
- Enrollment growth augmentation request of an additional one percent
- Additional funding for BSN/MS/PhD (first year planning)
- CA budget is not as healthy as original hoped
- National economy could be slowing down which is not good for CA budget
- FGA hosting social at March meeting

Allison Jones Update

- Governor signed bill for non-resident military tuition for second year of graduate work
- Priority registration for members of the military who return within two years of active service
- Approximately 14,000 former service members out of 60,000 attend CC, UC and CSU
- Discussion on close collaboration with Chancellor’s Office concerning pending legislation
Andy Martinez via telephone
- Spoke about legislative process
- We are currently beginning second year (Jan 7, 2008) of two year process
- Session ends on August 31, 2008
- Three current initiatives on February ballot: community college, term limits, transportation
- Board of Trustees supported bills AB242 (limit use of credit cards and allows CSU to buy own vehicles) AB302 (allows Cal grant B students to receive aid in first year and not limited to just second year, AB950 (allows member of military to not have to pay out-of-state tuition, SB855 (more flexibility in dealing with bonds)

John Tarjan visited with committee
- AB1413 was discussed with last year’s letter revisited

Items of Business

9.1 CSU2007-09 Budget priorities-Discussion and group work on resolution concerning budget. ACR contract language was added with some minor language changes. Considerable discussion on priority of top budget items be student enrollment growth, compensation, ACR73.

9.2 Textbook affordability—conference of Senators Barrett and Nelson with Academic Affairs where agreement was reached on final resolution to be brought to November plenary

9.3 CCC Ballot Initiative-ASCSU resolution will oppose the ballot initiative. Committee members worked on resolution with Hornbeck taking notes. He will send comments to Tom Krabacher and revised resolution will be e-mailed to member for final comments before next preliminary

9.4 Distinctive Universities-Discussion on resolution. Discussion centered around the order of paragraphs in the rationale and what the main focus of the resolution was discussed. Chair Hornbeck will work in committee comments and bring re-worked resolution to next plenary.

9.5 Professional Business program fees-Considerable discussion and meeting over lunch with members from other committees. It was decided that to resolutions will be worked on and brought to the next plenary for discussion. Senators working on resolutions will be: Pro: Brodowsky, Montanari and Soni. Con: Guerin, Reichman and Sabalius.
9.6 Advocacy and bill tracking—David will continue to monitor all the bills currently before the legislature

9.7 ASCSU Advocacy Day—Discussion concerning dates of event. Certain times were discussed and Chair Hornbeck will discuss with Senate Executive Committee as to their schedules. Tentative date is scheduled for April 15, 2008. FGA will begin seeking nominations for a CSU Alumni Legislative Staffer.

9.8 Access to Excellence—Document was discussed and committee members will review.