

AGENDA

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Meeting: 2:45 p.m., Tuesday, July 14, 1998
Auditorium

Joan Otomo-Corgel, Chair
Martha C. Fallgatter, Vice Chair
Ronald L. Cedillos
Jim Considine
Robert G. Foster
Harold Goldwhite
Laurence K. Gould, Jr.
James H. Gray
Maridel Moulton
Ralph R. Pesqueira
Alice S. Petrossian
Ali C. Razi
Michael D. Stennis

Consent Items

Approval of Minutes of Meeting of May 12, 1998

Discussion Items

1. 1997-98 Legislative Report No. 11, *Action*
2. Consideration of the Utility Rate Reduction and Reform Act: An Initiative Measure Qualified for the November Ballot, *Action*

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF
COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS**

**Trustees of The California State University
Glenn S. Dumke Conference Center
400 Golden Shore
Long Beach, California**

May 12, 1998

Members Present

Ralph R. Pesqueira, Vice Chair
Jim Considine
Martha C. Fallgatter, Chairman of the Board, ex officio
Harold Goldwhite
William Hauck
Maridel Moulton
Joan Otomo-Corgel
Charles B. Reed, Chancellor, ex officio
Michael D. Stennis

Members Absent

James H. Gray, Chair
Ronald L. Cedillos
Robert G. Foster
Laurence K. Gould, Jr.

Other Trustees Present

Eric C. Mitchell
Alice S. Petrossian
Ali C. Razi
Anthony M. Vitti
Stanley T. Wang

Chancellor's Office Staff

June M. Cooper, Senior Vice Chancellor and Interim Chief of Staff
David S. Spence, Executive Vice Chancellor
Richard P. West, Senior Vice Chancellor, Business and Finance
Douglas X. Patiño, Vice Chancellor, University Advancement
Christine Helwick, General Counsel
Samuel A. Strafaci, Interim Senior Director, Human Resources
Karen L. Yelverton, Chief Professional Officer, Governmental Affairs

Presidential Liaisons

Robert A. Corrigan, President, San Francisco State University, present
Donald R. Gerth, President, California State University, Sacramento, present
James M. Rosser, President California State University, Los Angeles, present

In the absence of Trustee Gray, chair, Trustee Pesqueira, vice chair, called to meeting to order at 1:47 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of March 18, 1998, were approved.

1997-98 Legislative Report No. 10

Trustee Pesqueira asked Ms. Karen L. Yelverton, chief professional officer, governmental affairs, to present the item.

Ms. Yelverton presented the following brief update on current legislative issues.

SB 1849, which deals with the CSU Channel Islands site and special district authority, was passed by the Senate Appropriations Committee and will be on the Senate floor for action within the week.

AB 2815, which relates to management efficiency issues, has been converted into another vehicle due to a conflict between Assembly Republicans and Democrats over rule waivers. The bill has now been shifted to AB 496, which is currently in the Senate Education Committee and will be heard in June.

Ms. Yelverton presented a brief update on the bond discussions in Sacramento. She said we were successful in obtaining the approval of the Assembly Democrats, Republicans, and Governor Wilson regarding an increase in higher education funding from \$1 billion to \$2.5 billion for four fiscal years. She said this would be a significant achievement and would provide a stable funding stream for our capital outlay program for the next four fiscal years and only one election campaign. She cautioned that things were not yet set in stone and that there are still significant questions which need to be addressed before this is finally resolved and placed on the November ballot.

Trustee Moulton asked what the actual cut-off date was for a decision on the bond election. Ms. Yelverton replied that June 24, 1998, was the targeted date for the November ballot. Trustee Mitchell asked about the status of SB 1740, Hayden's service learning bill. Ms. Yelverton explained the bill was on the suspense file pending discussions on the availability of revenue after the final budget.

Trustee Goldwhite inquired about SB 2042, which relates to teacher credentialing reform. Ms. Yelverton said the bill is currently moving along in the process and that we expect a successful outcome.

Trustee Pesqueira requested an update on SB 1787, which relates to outreach. Ms. Yelverton explained that the bill had been substantially amended and has been put on the suspense file until June.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:56 p.m.

BRIEF

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COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

1997-98 Legislative Report No. 11

Presentation By

Karen L. Yelverton, Chief Professional Officer
Governmental Affairs

Summary

This item contains a status report on the Trustees' Legislative Program for 1997-98 and priority legislation introduced in 1998.

Recommended Action

Adoption of the resolution.

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1997-98 Legislative Report No. 11

Date: 6/19/98

1. 1997-98 Legislative Program Status Report

BILL	Author-Subject	Introduced	1st Policy Committee	1st Fiscal Committee	Floor Action	2nd Policy Committee	2nd Fiscal Committee	Floor Action	Comments
	Education Bond Acts								
AB 40	(Mazzoni) Educational Facilities	X	X	X	X				Senate Bill 180 (Greene) now carries a \$9 billion education bond proposal with program reform, but nothing on developer fees. This measure contains \$2.5 billion for higher education, split evenly over the two 2-year bond cycles. As proposed to be amended, Senate Bill 1975 (Alpert) is to contain some reform of the K-12 facilities program. Both bills were scheduled to be heard in the Assembly Education Committee on July 1. K-12 representatives are working on several versions of their own proposal for modest developer fee reform. Ultimately, when a deal is agreed to, it is assumed that Senator Greene will carry it in his bill. It is also planned that Assembly Member Cardoza's Assembly Bill 1528, the higher education-only bond, be heard on July 1, to keep higher education's options open.
AB 1528	(Cardoza) Higher Education Facilities	X	X	X	X				
SB 12	(O'Connell) Educational Facilities	X	X	X	X				
SB 180	(Greene) School Facilities Construction	X	X	X	X				
SB 1975	(Alpert) School Facilities Construction	X	X	X	X				

BILL	Author-Subject	Introduced	1st Policy Committee	1st Fiscal Committee	Floor Action	2nd Policy Committee	2nd Fiscal Committee	Floor Action	Comments
SB 1849	(Alpert) Capital Outlay: Authority to Utilize Unit Price Contracts/Authority to Permit Alternative Forms of Design Build	X	X	X	X				Heard in the Assembly Consumer Protection Committee, 6/23, and the Assembly Higher Education Committee, 6/30.
SB 1923	(O'Connell) Camarillo Special Authority Education Development District	X	X	X	X				Heard in the Assembly Higher Education Committee, 6/30.
AB 2812	CSU Management Efficiency: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Investment of Funds Outside State Treasury</i> • <i>Acquisition of Real Property for State University Use</i> • <i>Special Fund Loans</i> • <i>Code Clean-up Items</i> 	X	X	X	X				Heard in the Senate Education Committee, 6/24. Once it passes the Senate, AB 2812 must return to the Assembly for concurrence. These provisions were formerly contained in Assembly Bill 2813.

Policy— That committee which evaluates policy implications of bills (e.g., Education, Judiciary, Retirement, etc.).

X— Indicates Action Taken

H— Indicates Held in Committee

Status of Priority Legislation (as of June 19, 1998)

AB 860 (Ducheny) Teacher Credentialing

In conjunction with a number of items included in the state budget, this legislation would support the expansion of the Comprehensive Teacher Education Institute (CTEI) programs, which are partnerships between institutes of higher education and K-12 school districts to provide training for teacher credential candidates. The Assembly version of the budget set aside \$2 million for this purpose, and the conference committee may approve a compromise of \$1 million.

Status: Set for Hearing in the Senate Education Committee, July 1

AB 1292 (Migden) Academic Achievement Scholarships

AB 1292 would establish a state framework for the creation and funding of regional partnerships between K-12 schools, institutions of higher education, and others to help ensure the academic success of pupils. These partnerships would be required to support new activities with the goal of better preparing pupils for higher education or meaningful employment. The budget sets aside \$30 million from Proposition 98 funds for this purpose.

Status: Set for Hearing in the Senate Education Committee, July 1

AB 1613 (Scott) Personal Income Taxes: Education

This is one of several tax-credit bills introduced this year to “conform” with the federal lifetime tax credit and HOPE scholarship.

Status: Senate Appropriations Committee

AB 1700 (Richter) Civil Rights

This bill would have made statutory adjustments in the light of Proposition 209, with no impact on existing CSU programs.

Status: Failed Passage in the Assembly Judiciary Committee (dead for the year)

AB 1966 (Bustamante) Higher Education Partnership Act of 1999

A reintroduction of AB 1415, this bill deals with long-term higher education financing.

Status: Set for Hearing in the Senate Education Committee, July 1

AB 2108 (Kaloogian) Income Taxes: Credits: Schools

Another tax-credit bill, similar to AB 1613 (see above).

Status: Failed Passage in the Assembly Revenue and Taxation Committee (dead for the year)

AB 2213 (Aguiar) The Valedictorian Scholarship Program

AB 2213 would have implemented the Valedictorian Scholarship Program, a program modeled on similar programs at CSU campuses.

Status: Failed Passage in the Assembly Higher Education Committee (dead for the year)

AB 2291 (Leach) Remedial Instruction: Academic Warranty Program Act

This bill would have required school districts that graduate certain proportions of students who later need remedial instruction in postsecondary institutions to develop remedial education reduction plans.

Status: Assembly Higher Education Committee. The bill was never heard in this committee because of a rule waiver dispute in the Assembly, and is dead for the year.

AB 2431 (Firestone) California Virtual University

This bill, sponsored by the Governor’s Office, would have made several Education Code changes to assist in the development of the California Virtual University (CVU). The bill did not advance because of the dispute over rule waivers in the Assembly. However, funding for curriculum development by faculty remains an issue in the budget conference committee.

Status: Assembly Information Technology Committee

AB 2528 (Ducheny) California State Work-Study Program

AB 2528 would create the Teaching Intern Program within the California Work-Study Program, increasing the number of work-study positions by 1,500 (from the current level of 710) and allowing existing tutor/outreach programs to hire more college students to serve as “teaching interns.” The Assembly included \$1.565 million in its version of the budget to fund this program.

Status: Set for Hearing in the Senate Education Committee, June 24

AB 2554 (Murray) Postsecondary Education: Student Transfer

Assembly Bill 2554 would guarantee every community college student who earns an associate of arts or an associate of sciences degree in liberal arts, and who meets transfer curriculum and grade point average requirements, a place in the University of California or California State University system.

Status: Set for Hearing in the Senate Education Committee, July 1

SB 1472 (Alpert) Community College Transfer Students

This bill would have outlined new transfer requirements for the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC). Specifically, it would have outlined circumstances by which a student who was up to two courses short of completing the IGETC could have transferred to four-year public institutions, and how they could have satisfied those remaining requirements. Senator Alpert has agreed to not pursue the bill any further this year, at the request of the systemwide academic senates of the segments. The leadership of the academic senates has pledged to develop processes that will enable students to complete IGETC after transfer when, due to unusual circumstances, they have one or two courses of the IGETC left to complete.

Status: Deferred by Author

SB 1484 (Knight) Postsecondary Education

This bill would have prohibited the University of California and the California State University from using funds appropriated by the Legislature to provide employer-funded benefits, including medical coverage, to persons other than employees, spouses, children, and other legal dependents.

Status: Senate Education Committee (dead for the year)

SB 1729 (Thompson) School Safety

This bill would require CSU, UC, and California Community Colleges campus law enforcement agencies to enter into a written agreements with local law enforcement agencies relating to the investigation of violent crimes.

Status: Set for Hearing in the Assembly Public Safety Committee, June 23

SB 1740 (Hayden) Service Learning for Postsecondary Students

SB 1740 would establish a Statewide Service Learning Center to administer a grant program to develop service learning centers on individual public and independent colleges and universities. It would also prescribe the duties of the Statewide Service Learning Center and appropriate a specified amount to establish a Service Learning Grant Program. The Assembly version of the budget included \$100,000 for this purpose, while the Senate version included \$2.5 million. However, the conference committee chose not to fund this item, and included budget language directing that this be accomplished within existing budgets.

Status: Set for Hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee, June 30

SB 1752 (Hughes) Disclosure of Grade Point Average Adjustment Factors

This bill would require the CSU and request the UC to disclose in their catalogues and application materials any grade point average adjustment factors concerning an applicant's undergraduate school that are used in the admissions process for their respective professional schools and graduate programs.

Status: Set for Hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee, June 30

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SB 1786 (Knight) Intercollegiate Athletes: Illegal Drug Use

SB 1786 would have required the CSU and UC to establish an athletic drug abuse education and prevention program for college athletes participating in intercollegiate competitive sports. The bill would also have mandated specific penalties for athletes testing positive for specified drugs.

Status: Failed Passage in the Senate Education Committee (dead for the year)

SB 1787 (Peace) High School Counseling: CSU and UC

This bill would enable the UC and require the CSU to have an academic counselor visit each public California high school at least once during the school year.

Status: Set for Hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee, June 30

SB 1896 (Peace) Public Postsecondary Education: Student Fees

SB 1896 would require systemwide graduate education and registration fees at CSU and UC for the 1999-2000 fiscal year to be reduced by five percent below the level charged for those resident students for the 1997-98 fiscal year.

Status: Set for Hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee, June 30

SB 2042 (Alpert) Teacher Credentialing

This bill makes a variety of changes to the Ryan Act, which governs the qualifications and processes for obtaining a California teaching credential. It is the vehicle for teacher credentialing reform as proposed by the SB 1422 Advisory Committee of the Commission on Teacher Credentialing.

Status: Set for Hearing in the Assembly Education Committee, July 1

SB 2064 (Greene) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program

SB 2064 would require 1,000 of the new Cal Grant A awards and 500 of the new Cal Grant B awards each year to be made to community college students who intend to transfer to a baccalaureate-granting college or university. It would also create a new category of Cal Grant awards to be known as the Cal Grant T award to be used only for tuition and student fees for a maximum of one academic year in a program of professional preparation that has been approved by the Commission on Teacher Credentialing. The budget conference committee is considering funding for new Cal Grants (A & B) at a level between \$20-\$40 million. Funding for the Cal Grant T program has been approved, per the May Revise.

Status: Set for Hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee, June 30

SB 2068 (Vasconcellos) Master Plan for Service Learning Program

This bill would require the California Postsecondary Education Commission, in conjunction with the segments of public higher education, to develop a Master Plan for Service Learning.

Status: Set for Hearing in the Assembly Higher Education Committee, June 30

SCA 7 (Hughes) University of California: Student Eligibility

This constitutional amendment would require that students who rank in the upper one-eighth of their graduating high school class at their particular high school, based on educationally sound measures of performance—including grade point average—be eligible for admission to UC, and be entitled to admission, subject to reasonable eligibility requirements. The CSU has been amended out of this measure.

Status: Senate Constitutional Amendments Committee

Adoption of the following resolution is recommended:

RESOLVED, By the Board of Trustees of The California State University, that the 1997-98 Legislative Report No. 11 is adopted.

BRIEF

Action Item

Agenda Item 2
July 14-15, 1998

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Consideration of the Utility Rate Reduction and Reform Act: An Initiative Measure Qualified for the November Ballot

Presentation By

Karen Yelverton, Chief Professional Officer
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Summary

There will be a discussion and the board will determine if it wishes to take a position on the proposition.