AGENDA

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Meeting:  9:45 a.m., Wednesday, March 17, 1999
       Auditorium

       Joan Otomo-Corgel, Chair
       Martha C. Fallgatter, Vice Chair
       Ronald L. Cedillos
       Bob Foster
       Harold Goldwhite
       Laurence K. Gould, Jr.
       Eric C. Mitchell
       Ralph R. Pesqueira
       Frederick W. Pierce, IV
       Ali C. Razi
       Michael D. Stennis

Consent Items
Approval of Minutes of Meeting of January 26, 1999

Discussion Items
1.  1999-00 Legislative Report No. 2, Action
Chair Otomo-Corgel called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

Approval of Minutes
The minutes of November 10, 1998, were approved.
Adoption of Trustees’ Statement of Legislative Principles
Chair Otomo-Corgel asked Ms. Karen L. Yelverton, senior director, governmental affairs, to present the item.

Ms. Yelverton explained that at the beginning of every legislative session, the board reviews and adopts a set of legislative principles that guide decisions about CSU positions on legislative matters during the two-year session. Ms. Yelverton noted that the principles for the 1999-2000 legislative session have been modified to reflect the growing and ongoing commitment to K-12 public schools and teacher education programs.

Dr. Harold Goldwhite said it would have been helpful if the proposed changes had been more easily identified in the item. Ms. Yelverton agreed and explained that the only changes occurred on Page 3, Item #4 of the resolution.

The committee recommended approval of the proposed resolution (RGR 01-99-01).

1999/2000 Legislative Report No. 1
Ms. Yelverton presented the report and explained the process by which legislation is reviewed and selected for inclusion in the Board of Trustees’ legislative program. She announced there were presently eleven items for consideration which were a combination of legislative and budget issues.

Those items include: an optional retirement program; capital outlay process streamlining; supplemental campus and systemwide initiatives in matching FEMA funds (for Verducci Hall at San Francisco State University); permanent investments in the Stockton Multi-Campus Regional Center; increased investment in applied research for biotechnology; and financial aid assistance for students who attend year-round and purchase technology as part of their instructional program. In addition to these matters, several academic initiatives are a part of the program, including subject matter projects; expansion of CSU authority in the joint doctoral program; pursuit of adequate funding for graduate education FTE; the ability to exercise control over student fee revenues; and granting flexibility to auxiliary boards in protecting donor confidentiality. Finally, CSU will continue efforts to expand system flexibility for the Board of Trustees and the chancellor.

Chancellor Charles B. Reed said he felt the need to clarify one of the areas regarding supplemental funding for Verducci Hall at San Francisco State University. He explained that the governor’s staff recommended his veto because Verducci Hall was originally built with non-general state funds. Chancellor Reed explained that the current request for 10 percent in matching funds was simply to determine the cost of demolition and replacement of the facility.

Ms. Yelverton then provided a brief update on legislative activities in Sacramento and the appointment of committee chairs. She noted that 42 members of the current legislature are either CSU graduates, or have attended a CSU campus. The majority of legislative activity thus far has been focused on the special session dedicated to K-12 issues and teacher preparation.

Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 3:23 p.m.
BRIEF

Action Item

Agenda Item 1

March 16-17, 1999

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

1999-2000 Legislative Report No. 2

Presentation By
Karen L. Yelverton, Senior Director
Governmental Affairs

Summary
This item contains a status report on the Trustees’ Legislative Program for 1999 and priority legislation introduced in 1999.

Recommended Action
Adoption of the resolution.
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**1999-2000 Legislative Report No. 2**

**Date: 2/19/99**

1. 1999-2000 Legislative Program Status Report

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

**X** — Indicates Action Taken
Status of Priority Legislation (as of February 19, 1999)

Special Session Legislation

**AB 1X (Villaraigosa) Mentor Peer Review and Assistance Program for Teachers**
This bill would replace the California Mentor Teacher Program with the California Mentor Peer Review and Assistance Program for Teachers.
*Status:* Approved in the Assembly Education Committee, February 10.

**AB 2X (Mazzoni) Pupil Reading and Reading Staff Development Programs**
AB 2X would establish a comprehensive statewide reading proposal which includes the development and implementation of the Elementary School Intensive Reading Program, Governor’s Reading Award Program and Public Involvement Reading Campaign.
*Status:* Approved in the Assembly Higher Education Committee, February 9.

**SB 1X (Alpert) Education Accountability**
This bill would establish the Public School Performance and Accountability Program that would consist of a state Academic Performance Index, an Immediate Intervention/Underperforming Schools Program, and a Governor’s High Achieving/Improving Schools Program.
*Status:* Approved by the Senate Education Committee, February 17.

**Senate Bill 2X (O’Connell) High School Exit Examination**
This bill would require (a) the Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop a high school exit examination, (b) the State Board of Education to adopt an exit exam by October 2000, and (c) 12th grade students beginning with the 2002-03 school year to pass the exam in order to receive a diploma.
*Status:* Approved in the Senate Education Committee, February 10.

Regular Session Legislation

**Assembly Bill 14 (Ducheny) Higher Education Partnership Act of 2000**
Similar to AB 1415 (1997) and AB 1966 (1998) by then-Assembly Member Bustamante, this bill would place in statute a long-term financing structure for public higher education in California.
*Status:* Referred to Assembly Higher Education Committee; hearing pending.

**Assembly Bill 31 (Reyes) Teacher Training: Rural Schools**
AB 31 would expand the APLE program to applicants who agree to provide classroom instruction in rural school districts.
*Status:* Referred to Assembly Higher Education Committee; hearing pending.

**Assembly Bill 126 (Runner) CSU: Year-Round Academics**
This bill would require the CSU to study the issues that would be presented by the provision of year-round academic programs at each CSU campus.
*Status:* Referred to Assembly Higher Education Committee; hearing pending.
Assembly Bill 164 (Romero) Voter Registration: University Campuses
AB 164 would designate the admissions offices at each CSU campus as voter registration agencies.
Status: Referred to Assembly Elections and Assembly Higher Education Committees; hearings pending.

Assembly Bill 192 (Scott) California Teacher Cadet Program
This bill would require the California Center on Teaching Careers to operate the California Teacher Cadet Program for the purpose of introducing high school students to the teaching profession.
Status: Referred to Assembly Education and Higher Education Committees; hearings pending.

Assembly Bill 213 (Romero) CSU Trustees
AB 213 would increase the number of student members on the CSU Board of Trustees to two.
Status: Referred to Assembly Higher Education Committee; hearing pending.

Senate Bill 22 (Brulte) Public Postsecondary Education
This bill would reduce student fees at the CSU and UC for the 1999-2000 year by 10 percent below the current level, and reduce fees for graduate students by 15 percent.
Status: Referred to Senate Education Committee; hearing pending.

Senate Bill 179 (Alpert) Model Alternative Teacher Preparation Programs
SB 179 would establish a model alternative teacher preparation program whereby school districts could apply for funding to form a collaborative teacher preparation partnership with one or more institutions of higher education.
Status: Referred to Senate Education Committee; hearing pending.

Adoption of the following resolution is recommended:

RESOLVED, By the Board of Trustees of The California State University, that the 1999-2000 Legislative Report No. 2 is adopted.