

AGENDA

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Meeting: 11:45 a.m., Tuesday, November 5, 2013
Glenn S. Dumke Auditorium

Steven M. Glazer, Chair
Douglas Faigin, Vice Chair
Debra S. Farar
Margaret Fortune
Lupe C. Garcia
J. Lawrence Norton
Cipriano Vargas

Consent Items

Approval of Minutes of Meeting of September 25, 2013

Discussion Items

1. Legislative Update, *Information*
2. Veteran's Legislative Update, *Information*

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

**Trustees of the California State University
Office of the Chancellor
Glenn S. Dumke Conference Center
401 Golden Shore
Long Beach, California**

September 25, 2013

Members Present

Steven M. Glazer, Chair
Douglas Faigin
Debra S. Farar
Margaret Fortune
Lupe C. Garcia
Bob Linscheid, Chair of the Board
Peter G. Mehas
J. Lawrence Norton
Cipriano Vargas
Timothy P. White, Chancellor

Trustee Glazer called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of July 23, 2013 were approved as submitted.

Legislative Update

Karen Y. Zamarripa, assistant vice chancellor for advocacy and state relations, provided highlights from the legislative report. The legislative session adjourned on September 13, and the governor has until October 13 to act on remaining measures.

Ms. Zamarripa congratulated the students for the success of *Senate Bill 325 (Block) Trustees of the California State University: Student members* and *Assembly Bill 447 (Williams) California State University: Trustees*, which were sponsored by the California State Student Association and signed into law.

Ms. Zamarripa thanked members of the legislature, including Senator Ricardo Lara, Senator Marty Block, and Assemblymember Das Williams, for recognizing the importance of the California State University (CSU) and the need to fund additional enrollment.

Ms. Zamarripa provided the following updates:

- Legislators are revising the water bond for the November 2014 ballot; therefore, a general obligation bond will be unlikely until at least 2016.
- Due to changes in standardized testing, the CSU will lose the Early Assessment Program (EAP) for at least a year.
- *Senate Bill 440 (Padilla) Public Postsecondary Education: Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act* is now before the governor.

Trustee Glazer asked Chancellor White to provide an update to the board on how the CSU will handle the loss of the EAP and identify students who need assistance improving their skills.

Trustee Glazer adjourned the meeting.

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Legislative Update

Presentation By

Garrett Ashley
Vice Chancellor
University Relations and Advancement

Karen Y. Zamarripa
Assistant Vice Chancellor
Advocacy and State Relations

Summary

This item contains an update on legislation being tracked by the California State University (CSU). The status of each bill reflects final action taken by the legislature and the Governor during the first year of the 2013-2014 legislative session.

Background

The legislature adjourned for the 2013 legislative year after completing their work on the budget and sending some 800 measures to the Governor. The Governor acted on all bills as of October 13, 2013. Both the senate and the assembly used the final month of the legislative year to significantly modify measures – often reducing scope and cost to move forward. Leadership held some measures in fiscal committees for further work.

The Chancellor's Office has begun its annual legislative proposal process by soliciting recommendations for the 2014 year. The first deadline for submittal of proposals was October 1. The system office will take the next few months to review the submitted proposals and seek feedback from a multitude of CSU groups including internal policy experts, the vice presidents of advancement and the campus presidents. Proposals will be brought before the Board of Trustees in January for final approval before the Chancellor's Office works with legislators to introduce the proposals as bills.

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Accountability

SB 195 (Liu) California Postsecondary Education: State Goals: This measure establishes goals for the state's public and private colleges and universities regarding higher education.

CSU Position: SUPPORT
Status: The measure was approved by the legislature and signed into law by Governor Brown. (Chapter 367, Statutes of 2013)

Compensation

SB 495 (Yee) Postsecondary Education Employees: Physicians: The measure as amended encourages the CSU and the University of California (UC) to increase funding for their campus health centers and compensation for their doctors.

CSU Position: OPPOSE
Status: The measure is a two-year bill.

Financial Aid

AB 1241 (Weber) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program: The measure extends the Cal Grant Entitlement program period of eligibility from one to two years, effective January 1, 2015.

CSU Position: NO OFFICIAL POSITION
Status: The measure was held by the Senate Appropriations Committee.

AB 1285 (Fong) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program: Most Cal Grant B students do not receive aid in their first year of college, but receive aid subsequently. This measure would increase the number of students who receive aid in their first year from the existing 2% in increments of 25% until all Cal Grant B students receive aid in their first year.

CSU Position: NO OFFICIAL POSITION
Status: The measure is a two-year bill.

AB 1287 (Quirk-Silva) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Eligibility: This measure establishes a process by which Cal Grant recipients, who are determined to be ineligible for a renewal award because they exceed the income and asset ceilings for the program, can receive a Cal Grant renewal award in a subsequent year if they once again meet all of the eligibility requirements.

CSU Position: NO OFFICIAL POSITION
Status: The measure passed out of the legislature and was vetoed by the Governor.

AB 1318 (Bonilla) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program: This measure establishes a formula for determining the maximum Cal Grant award for students attending nonpublic postsecondary educational institutions.

CSU Position: NO OFFICIAL POSITION
Status: The measure is a two-year bill.

AB 1364 (Ting) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program: This proposal creates a statutory formula to annually adjust the maximum Cal Grant B award amount by the percentage increase, if any, in California per capita personal income.

CSU Position: NO OFFICIAL POSITION
Status: The measure was held by the Senate Appropriations Committee.

SB 285 (De León) Student Financial Aid: Cal Grant Program: This proposal increases the subsistence award for the Cal Grant B recipients from \$1,550 to \$5,000 using funds established in companion measure SB 284 by the same author.

CSU Position: NO OFFICIAL POSITION
Status: The measure passed out of legislature and was vetoed by the Governor.

Governance

AB 46 (Pan) California State University: Trustees: The measure was reintroduced on behalf of the California Faculty Association (CFA) to allow ex-officio members of the Board of Trustees to designate an alternate to attend board meetings and vote in their absence. It also included a provision sought by CSU students last year – to allow the student designee to vote should the current student Board of Trustees member be unable to attend a meeting.

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CSU Position: OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED
Status: This measure was made a two-year bill at the request of the author.

AB 447 (Williams) California State University: Trustees: This measure allows the second student trustee to vote should the voting trustee be unable to attend a meeting due to medical needs and/or illness.

CSU Position: SUPPORT
Status: Sponsored by the California State Student Association (CSSA), the measure was approved by the legislature and signed into law by Governor Brown. (Chapter 327, Statutes of 2013)

AB 736 (Fox) California State University: Antelope Valley Campus: This measure requires the CSU to conduct a feasibility study for a campus in the Antelope Valley using non-state funds.

CSU Position: NO OFFICIAL POSITION
Status: The measure is a two-year bill.

AB 1348 (Pérez) Postsecondary Education: California Higher Education Authority: This measure establishes a 13-member panel called the California Higher Education Authority to replace the California Postsecondary Education Commission (CPEC), which has not been funded for two years. Unlike CPEC, this new board would not include segmental representatives, who can play an important role in the coordination and collaboration between the segments and the Authority.

CSU Position: NO OFFICIAL POSITION
Status: The measure is a two-year bill.

SB 325 (Block) Trustees of the California State University: Student Members: This measure allows students who are sophomores in good standing, instead of the now required juniors, to seek appointment to the Board of Trustees by the Governor based on nominations from the CSSA. The bill also waives systemwide mandatory tuition fees for student trustees, so they can focus on their academic studies and work as a board member.

CSU Position: SUPPORT
Status: Sponsored by CSSA, the measure was approved by the legislature and signed into law by Governor Brown. (Chapter 175, Statutes of 2013)

K-12 Education/Teacher Preparation

AB 484 (Bonilla) Pupil Assessments: Measurement of Academic Performance and Progress (MAPP): This measure suspends the current statewide testing (CSTs) for students in grades 2-11 for the 2014 year and provides for a new testing method, MAPP, which would commence in 2015 moving forward. As part of this proposal, the Early Assessment Program (EAP) for the 2014 school year will be available but will need to be requested by the school district in order to administer. For those schools who do request 11th grade CSTs, the state will bear the cost of the test and those students and schools will receive only information regarding a student's college preparedness level and not the traditional CST score.

CSU Position: NO OFFICIAL POSITION
Status: This measure was amended right before the conclusion of session to suspend the testing. Given the impact these amendments had on the EAP, the CSU is working on several fronts to ensure that schools are informed well in advance about how to continue participating in EAP and the critical nature of ensuring 11th grade students still take the test and receive information about college readiness. The measure passed out of the legislature and was signed into law by Governor Brown (Chapter 489, Statutes of 2013).

SB 5 (Padilla) Teacher Credentialing: This measure extends the cap on the length of time a higher education institution must administer a post-baccalaureate formal teacher preparation program from one year to two years.

CSU Position: SUPPORT
Status: The measure passed out of the legislature and signed into law by Governor Brown. (Chapter 171, Statutes of 2013)

Online Learning/Alternative Pathways

AB 386 (Levine) Public Postsecondary Education: Cross-enrollment: Online Education at California State University: This measure requires the CSU to create a convenient means by which students can find and enroll (including concurrent enrollment within the system) in online courses offered in the system. The measure is now linked to the CSU's 2013-14 general fund support.

CSU Position: SUPPORT
Status: The measure passed out of the legislature with bipartisan support and signed into law by Governor Brown. (Chapter 363, Statutes of 2013)

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SB 520 (Steinberg) California Virtual Campus: Leadership Stakeholder Meetings: Representatives: This measure creates an incentive grant program to encourage CSU, UC and California Community Colleges (CCC) faculty to develop online and hybrid courses that would be available to students across systems.

CSU Position: NO OFFICIAL POSITION
Status: The measure is a two-year bill.

Proposition 39/ Energy Efficiency

SB 267 (Pavley) Proposition 39 Implementation: Higher Education Projects: This measure requires the Energy Resources Conservation and Development Commission to develop and administer a financial assistance program to assist the CCC, the CSU and the UC with energy efficiency and onsite clean energy generation projects.

CSU Position: SUPPORT
Status: The measure is a two-year bill.

Revenues

SB 284 (De León) Income Tax: Contribution to Education Fund: This proposal allows an individual taxpayer or corporate donor to contribute a tax credit towards the College Access Tax Credit Fund, with a total annual cap of \$500 million. Per SB 285, these funds would then be tied to increased Cal Grant B subsistence awards.

CSU Position: NO OFFICIAL POSITION
Status: The measure passed out of the legislature and was vetoed by the Governor.

Transfer

SB 440 (Padilla) Public Postsecondary Education: Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act: This measure implements changes to the current law regarding the CCC transfer pathway created three years ago in partnership with the CSU and CCC. The bill requires the CSU to develop an admission redirection process and both systems to develop a marketing strategy to ensure students are aware of the SB 1440 pathways. The measure also reinforces efforts underway by the CSU and CCC faculty to develop areas of emphasis transfer degrees for students who may not have designated a major but are seeking to transfer to the CSU.

CSU Position: NO OFFICIAL POSITION
Status: The measure passed out of the legislature and signed into law by Governor Brown (Chapter 720, Statutes of 2013).

Veterans Services

AB 13 (Chavez) Nonresident Tuition Exemption: Veterans: This measure allows any member of the military who was discharged or released from active duty to receive a waiver for the nonresident fee in undergraduate programs whether or not they were ever stationed in the state or a California resident. Current law provides this waiver for members of the military who were stationed in California while on active duty.

CSU Position: NO OFFICIAL POSITION
Status: The measure is a two-year bill.

SB 290 (Knight) Nonresident Tuition Exemption: Veterans: This proposal exempts a veteran who was stationed in this state on active duty for more than one year immediately prior to being discharged from paying nonresident tuition at the CSU or UC for up to one year. This exemption must be used within two years of being discharged.

CSU Position: NO OFFICIAL POSITION
Status: The measure passed out of the legislature and signed into law by Governor Brown (Chapter 696, Statutes of 2013).

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Veteran's Legislative Update

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Summary

This item contains information concerning the California State University's effort to inform state legislative leaders about systemwide and campus programs, resources, and policies aimed at supporting student veterans and their families.