

AGENDA & NOTES
Consultation Council
Thursday, February 17, 2011
Chancellor's Office, Rm 3A and B
9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
1102 Q Street, 3rd Floor
Sacramento, CA 95811

1. January 20, 2011 meeting [summary](#) was accepted.

2. State Budget Update

Dan Troy presented the update. Dan states we are phase 1 of the budget. Tomorrow the full assembly and senate budget committees will meet and take action on Prop 98. Conference Committee will meet next week and attempt to hash out differences and get tax extensions on the ballot. We anticipate a workload reduction. Anticipate a budget cut very similar to what was proposed by the governor, i.e., \$400 million cut, with a \$26 to \$36 fee increase which equates to a net cut of \$290 million. LAO came out with doomsday options on Feb 11. The specific options are: 90 unit cap, fee increase to \$66/unit, reduce basic skills funding to the noncredit level, eliminate intercollegiate athletics courses, eliminate funding for repeating PE and fine arts courses, and eliminate funding for noncredit PE and fine arts courses.

We are anticipating a 5% workload reduction. (as per the \$290 million cut) but if the worst case (doomsday) scenario happens then it would be 10%+.

Every district needs to be ready for a Plan B with no revenue extensions (plan for the doomsday scenario). Legislature would maybe provide relief on the March 15th notices, since they have done this in the past for K-12. Eric Skinner recommends to plan for the worse.

There is no discussion of growth on the table now. Just fee increase to offset part of the \$400 billion cut.

LAO worst case is actually worse than the League's worst case (3rd scenario). (NOTE: The League just updated their website today and now the League's worst case is the same as the LAO "doomsday" scenario.)

Chancellor Scott says we must have a workload reduction. 200,000 students were educated that we didn't get paid for last year. Jack continues to urge colleges to eliminate avocational courses by moving them into community ed. Only focus on transfer, CTE, and basic skills.

We've never been faced with this type/size of crisis. Our institutions will not look the same.

We must cut our course offerings.

Part-time faculty will be cut first, before we can layoff any full-time. Some vocational programs may need to be cut. Colleges need to think through the Plan B. But we need to try to protect morale in the process. We can no longer give the promise of no layoffs.

Priority registration. Continuing first/incoming second should be reexamined. Some of the continuing are just enrichment students and there is no good rationale for why they should have priority registration.

Academic Senate President Jane Patton urges faculty to participate wholeheartedly in shared governance committees. Faculty need to be partners with administrators and classified to make/take the hard decisions. Need to encourage strong participatory governance rather than make the cuts behind closed doors.

Other groups may want to send out joint letters (CIO, CEO, CBO, CSSO) with AS to encourage strong participation in the decisions taken.

FACCC suggests that we all get involved to help with the June elections (rallies, voter registration, and other political mobilization tactics).

March 11 is the deadline to get anything on the ballot for June.

3. Request for Exemption from the Fifty Percent [Law](#)

Mendocino- Lake and Compton are asking for relief. There is not a lot of analysis on this.

The analysis is still in progress and this will be on the BOG agenda in March.

There will be a formal contest from the CCA/CTE to the BOG since they claim that the districts have ample funds. Both districts claim it was backfilling the ARRA funds. This is part of the hardship definition. BOG will consider that as a factor, but this is not automatic.

Chancellor Scott is surprised that only two are asking for relief.

4. Government Relations Update

Marlene Garcia provide the update.

State update: this Friday is the deadline to get new bills in. We are waiting to get bills out of legal review to submit...so there will be a lot of late activity. A lot are just recycled from last year,

See the campus safety bill: Fong AB 288. Safety is one of the themes we may be seeing in this session.

AB 478, funding bill. Allows to ask for a greater amount of growth funding based on unemployment. Change cap from 2%.

AB 331, K-12, higher ed facilities bond act.

A lot of bills dealing with veterans, but just came in yesterday, so a lot of updating yet to do on the list. Hernandez, 372 is to grant vet's credit for time served. The Academic Senate has not been consulted and therefore has not yet taken a position on it. This would be beyond the ACE capacity. Marlene doesn't know details yet.

Pension reform is another theme we will be seeing. Bills of this nature are being introduced. There is a significant conversation behind the scenes. We expect bills and this could go on the ballot.

The abuses are not in STRS, but in the cities/municipalities. Biggest abuses are safety employees. Chancellor Scott thinks that contributions may be increased.

Students are introducing a smoke free campus bill.

FEDERAL update:

Pell grant cut. In the past, Pell has heretofore enjoyed bipartisan support. 15% cut to the overall Pell grant funding is proposed. Of the current \$5,500 max per student this would be a \$845 reduction for each student. This type of rollback equals \$200 million reduction for the CCC students and our economy.

These deep cuts are embedded in the continuing resolution that is allowing the federal government to operate until March 4 because they have not passed a budget.

\$100 billion total cut was proposed and Republicans are holding a firm line. The real debate will be in the Senate. The Pell grants are part of this cut.

There are some proposed cuts to the Trade assistance act (which we are trying to vie for). One part of the cut is targeted on the career pathways (\$125 million reduction/elimination proposed).

We are urged to continue to get the word out. Actions are taking place quickly and we need to try to protect the Pell grants.

As per Chancellor Scott:

If you are in a district with Republican congress members, we need to hammer them on not making the Pell grant cuts.

Social security, defense, Medicare/Medicaid....these are the three big areas that the federal government needs to address.

See Chancellor Scott's budget message sent this morning (2/18/11).

President Obama proposed to keep the limit (max award level) but get rid of summer Pell grant awards. But he also proposes to reduce tech prep/Perkins dollars.

Marlene informs us that the negotiations in DC over the next three weeks will be indicative of legislative mood and negotiation style we may see the rest of the year.

5. Transfer Degrees/SB 1440 Implementation Update

Academic Senate President Jane Patton presents.

Oversight and ICW are the two groups charged to move us through implementation.

3 TMC are out. Colleges are in the development phase.

2nd round of TMC are: Math, CJ, and Kinesiology (Feb 28 is last date for vetting). ECE is also in

the loop.

Eric Skinner reports:

Oversight committee: there was a dust up at last meeting. CSU brought forward a legal opinion about the 1440 degree transfer admissions priority status. The specific issue is impactation. The legal opinion states that CSU would not have to give priority to the 1440 degree for students OUTSIDE the area. Chancellor Scott is working with Chancellor Reed to revise this interpretation such that it is agreed that CSU is to give top priority for all 1440 degree transfers. CSU has committed to look at this again.

Senator Padilla will introduce more legislation, and has it queued up, to prevent this type of CSU overturn.

No one wants additional legislation.

6. Student Success Task Force/SB 1143 Update

Chancellor Scott reports.

Next meeting will be to look at metrics and successful practices. The deadline is next January to report to BOG and by March must report to the legislature (2012).

This taskforce was successfully used when the legislature started talking about changing student census dates (helped resist the argument to move the census date to completion).

Townhall meetings will start in the fall.

7. Update on the Prerequisites Proposal to the Board of Governors

Title 5 changes are scheduled for action in March at BOG. CIOs and CSSOs are invited to participate in informational webinars next week, February 24 and 25. VC Barry Russell will participate as the moderator.

Chancellor Scott: We need to emphasize the safeguards. These changes have already been approved by the Senate, students, and CEOs, and he feels that the opposition stems from misunderstanding. Chancellor Scott states that he has understood there is no other state with statistical validation of prereqs.

8. Student Senate Report

Students formally endorsed the pre-req Title V changes. April 1 -3 is general assembly in SAC. March in March on March 14.

9. Other

FON and parcel tax update: second read at BOG, are there any changes? No changes are planned.

PSA update: 30 PSA s have been recorded for TV and radio stations. These will be distributed. The “Did you know? Now you know?” Campaign.

Meeting adjourned.