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WELCOME FROM OUR 2019-20 ACCE PRESIDENT

IT'S BEEN AN EXCITING YEAR FOR ACCE!

Madelyn Arballo

It has been an exceptional and exciting year for our Community and Continuing Education programs around the state. With huge shifts in community college policy, our work has become even more critical for student success. And as these landmark state changes unfold, ACCE has been busy addressing these developments and preparing for opportunities.

Important new and continuing legislation, including the Student-Centered Funding formula (SCFF) and the California Adult Education Program (CAEP, aka AEP, aka AEBG) have been responsible for increasing the presence of our programs. Moreover, there are a few important topics that our Community service stakeholders are awaiting direction from the Chancellor's Office. These policy

issues have also brought to light the current gap and also the enormous need for our programs to have adequate data elements and data reporting capabilities that tell our true story.

Because of the critical need for ACCE to advocate for increased resources, improved metrics and data, and greater inclusion into the community college mission, we have added an important resource. Last year, on behalf of our community and continuing education colleagues, ACCE retained Ashley Walker as a policy advisor for our organization. Although this is an added cost to our very small organization, we believe that the benefit is clear. Ashley can tell you all about it in this edition's legislative advocacy section! Please be assured that the ACCE board members are

steadfast in representing your students and you on state committees, councils, and with your legislators.

And finally, if you haven't already done so please consider becoming an ACCE member. Your membership will allow you to get frontline information about important state issues affecting your programs as well as support our efforts to continuing to be effective with these critical state issues. You can join online at acceonline.org and become a member today!!

Thank you for your support and partnership, and I look forward to seeing you all in November.

CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE - SEPTEMBER MEETING UPDATE

HIGHLIGHTS OF 5CS

Jan Young

Certification Letters for Credit and Noncredit courses and programs will be sent out to the colleges by the end of September. Colleges must sign the verification forms and return to the Chancellor's Office by October 18th at which time all noncredit courses and programs will be approved at the local level EXCEPT Short Term Vocational programs which will still be approved at the state level. Any curricula "in the queue" will automatically be approved except Short Term Vocational programs which will remain in the queue for state approval. All credit and noncredit courses will still be chaptered at the Chancellor's Office.

A separate memo will be forthcoming from the Chancellor's Office outlining the periodic college curricula review. College reviews will commence in January 2020 (approx. 30 colleges per semester.) The

Chancellor's office will notify colleges of any compliance revisions that need to be made (both credit and noncredit). Colleges will have 60 days to respond to the revision request, followed by an additional 6 months to make the necessary revisions for approval.

The RFP for a new statewide curriculum system to replace COCI is now closed. 7 proposals will be reviewed by the review team which consists of users, IT staff, and members of the Chancellor's office. The review team will meet in a month to recommend the top candidates.

The Legal Department was not present for the meeting; therefore there was no update regarding the coordination of Community Services and Credit courses.

Student Equity and Achievement Plans (SEAP)

Madelyn Arballo

Addressing the implementation of the SEA

The Student Equity and Achievement (SEA) or as some refer to as “SEAP”, met for its first 19-20 workgroup meeting. A group of faculty, administrators, and staff are members and meet on a quarterly basis to address the implementation of the SEA Program. This is the second year that the group is meeting to continue the work of the subgroups. These subgroups include policy, funding formula, MIS, student educational plan, and others. Madelyn Arballo, ACCE President, is part of the funding formula group. These are the updates and input from members at the September 8 meeting:

•**Policy workgroup:** this group is continuing to review title 5 and SEA Legislation/Ed Code Ed Code § 78222 to identify overlaps and needs for cleanup. There is also a suggestion to create a guidance document for SEA legislation so the intent is clearer and to make changes so needed language is called out well enough.

•**Student Education Plans:** There is a need to vet through the regional groups and also a need to understand the impacts of staffing and technology. Do we need different Ed Plans or one comprehensive? Discussion has been broad but there needs to be discussion on how different the noncredit student experience at our colleges. Frequent changes in Ed plans is not good for students. There should be a stronger connection between instruction and counseling with regards to educational planning. Colleges with students in alternative settings, such as jails can have different consideration for educational plans.

•**Funding Formula:** SEA funding should ensure stable funding for colleges. Some colleges have committed to ongoing salaries using SEAP but perhaps there needs to be an examination of where the work needs to be shifted using these positions. Data elements that demonstrate a potential for improved student outcomes are important, and improvements may require some performance-based metrics. The Chancellor’s Office is running simulations for three formula prototypes. The workgroup felt that these factors were important: headcount, disadvantaged metric, baseline, poverty rate, education plan, educational attainment, GPA, AB 705, completion rates, jobs, noncredit milestones, etc. The group will work on the formula this year and plans to have it in place ahead of the 2021- 22 fiscal year. There is no increase in funding or COLA so a new formula would not change current allocations until hold harmless period is done.

As your ACCE representative, I will continue to advocate for inclusion of noncredit metrics in the funding formula for future SEAP allocations. One note of importance - currently, there are no noncredit counselors on the Student Ed Plan workgroup. An experienced noncredit counselor (or two) could ensure that a version of the educational plan considers how differently noncredit students move through their desired pathways. If anyone has questions about this SEAP report, please contact Madelyn Arballo, marballo@mtsac.edu.

SACRAMENTO ADVOCACY

Ashley Walker

The 2019 Legislative Session officially came to a close on Friday, September 13 (yes Friday the 13th) and the Governor’s signing deadline was on October 13. This year was our busiest year yet advocating for our legislative priorities. ACCE had the opportunity to co-sponsor a bill with the San Diego Community College District. Our bill, AB 1727 (Weber), would allow the option for CDCP managed enrollment courses to use a census based attendance model or a positive attendance model. Through our strong partnership with San Diego CCD, and our tireless advocacy efforts, the bill was successfully passed by the Legislature. We called upon all CEO’s across the State to assist with advocating for our bill to the Governor’s office, and asked all ACCE members to help by submitting letters of support. Although we showed strong support for the bill, the Governor vetoed the legislation due to the potential cost impact. ACCE is continuing to work with the San Diego Community College District and others on a strategy to get this policy change accomplished in 2020. In addition to working on AB 1727, ACCE supported SB 554 (Roth) which would extend to adult school and noncredit students who are pursuing a high school equivalency (HSE) or adult high school diploma, the opportunity to participate in a dual enrollment program with a community college. This bill also successfully passed the Legislature and was signed by the Governor. Given this was Governor Newsom’s first signing period, his actions have been telling for future years to come.

During the Fall recess, the ACCE Board will be working to refine and update our legislative priorities for 2020. A draft will be presented at the November Drive In with an opportunity for Members to weigh in. Your participation, feedback, and advocacy is key to our organizations success. We look forward to another successful year advocating for policies and resources that benefit our community and continuing education programs.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION UPDATES

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New Community Education Guidelines

Many of you must be curious about the status of the draft of the new guidelines that many worked hard to send to the Chancellor's Office quite a while ago to be approved. Due to the change of guards and other situations, these guidelines have not been approved. However, ACCE President, Madelyn Arballo, has got this in her sight and took every opportunity to continue reminding the Chancellor's Office that the guidelines are still waiting for approval. The latest update that we have regarding the guidelines was just a couple of weeks ago. Madelyn personally spoke to Sheneiu Weber, the new Vice Chancellor, Workforce and Economic Development, regarding the status of the draft. Vice Chancellor Weber acknowledged that the draft is with her office to be reviewed. Rest assured, our ACCE President will continue to advocate and push that office to approve the guidelines. On a related note, the topic of co-enrollment will be addressed with a guidance memo from the Chancellor's Office Legal team in the upcoming months.

ACCE COMMUNITY ED LISTSERV

Have a burning question you'd like to ask your fellow ACCE Community Education members?

ACCECOMMED@LISTSERV.CCCNEXT.NET is now open and accessible for everyone to use – no need to tap a Council member to forward your thoughts or inquiries (although we're still happy to help!). This is a terrific way to learn from each other's expertise and experiences and stay in touch throughout the year. The more we use it, the more dialogue and discussion we generate so please be sure to "reply all" so everyone can benefit from your responses. Just a few recent highlights: Wes from Cuesta inquired about working with Dale Carnegie trainings, Alfred from Glendale wondered about how our Community Services programs are structured and Lorrie from Shasta is shopping for a new registration system – if you have input for them, please share it with us on the listserv today!

ACCE EVENTS



Drive-in Workshops

Each fall, we host one day drive-in workshops that give us a chance to gather together, share successes, and compare notes about community and continuing education. Save the date for the following drive-in workshops:

Thursday, November 7, 2019, 8 am-3pm
Southern Drive-In Workshop
Mt. San Antonio College
1100 N. Grand Avenue
Walnut, CA 91789
Breakfast and Lunch Provided



2019 ACCE Annual Conference

Save the date! Our 2020 annual conference will be held:

January 29-31, 2020
Doubletree Sacramento
2001 Point West Way, Sacramento, CA

More information and pricing coming soon.

For up-to-date event information, always visit the Events page on our website at <http://www.acceonline.org/events.html>.