

Hello CIOs:

I guess that “later is better than never” in this case, because I am FINALLY getting to you the update from the Consultation Council meeting held November 18, 2010 in Pasadena...I will admit that the Thanksgiving holiday, the typical crises at the college, and my dissertation got in the way, so please forgive me!

I want to thank those of you who contacted your regional representatives with feedback on the Consultation Council agenda as that was very useful to me as your representative at the Council’s meeting.

Here is the update:

The Council’s meeting was relatively short and was held in Pasadena to allow everyone to attend the League’s fall conference. That being said, there was lively discussion concerning most of the budget items. The following is a very brief summary, please see my detailed notes in [CC Nov 18 Agenda and Notes final](#) document, which is attached (note that the blue font items are links to supporting documents).

1. The Academic Senate President Jane Patton requested and received approval for a Council meeting to be held in December 16<sup>th</sup> at 9 am via CCC Confer. You may want to dial in, as the purpose of this meeting is to provide an SB1440 update.
2. Erik Skinner provided a budget update (please see [budget report Nov 10](#) document attached). The LAO has identified a \$25.4 billion dollar shortfall over the next two years. Cuts are anticipated, with growth being a likely candidate. Chancellor Scott stated that colleges will continue to cut classes and that we must cut all recreational courses...warning us that if we are not proactive in this regard, the legislature will force this upon us. On a potentially less gloomy note, the Title V changes for center and new college funding will go to the BOG for a first reading in January. Also going to the BOG for a first reading in January is a proposal concerning faculty paid with parcel tax revenue and excluding them from the FON. This will be on the agenda for the December Consultation Council meeting.
3. Marlene Garcia and Valerie Purnell provided updates. Please see the [election round up](#) document attached. This details both state and federal outcomes and potential shifts due to the November election results. ALSO, please see three other attached documents: [CA State Assembly](#), [CA State Senate](#), and, [CA congressional roster](#). These need to be distributed to the field so that all CIOs can identify their legislators. We are being call upon to participate to a greater extent in advocacy campaigns, so please make sure that you save these roster and identify who represents you! FYI – common assessment is considered to be a good choice for legislation.
4. The main point of interest in the proposed revisions to Title V EEO regulations concerned the two year limit for interim management positions. There was discussion that the current language with one year term except when business necessity condition were met was abused and that many institution simply did not adhere to the current regulations. The Academic Senate stated

that they supported the new language but wanted to insist that the new two year term for interims be a HARD two years without exception.

5. The 2020 Vision for Student Success was presented. Embedded in my notes are the links to the Success Report documents. Discussion centered on the validity of the data, concerns about the focus on full-time students, disagreement about the recommendations to raise fees and tying BOG waivers to financial aid completion. The Chancellor's Office is in favor to the Student Success report and recommendations, stating that the SB 1143 effort can be supported by this report.

As an additional item of information, I would like to report that the Academic Senate's SB1440 implementation committee (which includes CSU faculty) has been meeting and working hard. They are going to meet for a two day retreat in Sacramento December 14 and 15. I will be attending the meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup>. The progress made from that meeting will be reported to the Consultation Council at their meeting on December 16<sup>th</sup>. I will be keeping you all apprised of the work being done. In the meanwhile, please make sure your faculty are actively participating via the [www.c-id.net](http://www.c-id.net) website.

My apologies for taking two weeks to get this out to you! I hope you all enjoyed a lovely holiday break last week and are counting the days until the end of the fall semester!

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