

Rancho Santiago Community College District (RSCCD)

BOARD LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING (Hybrid)

2323 North Broadway
Santa Ana, California

Thursday, February 27, 2025

MINUTES

1.0 PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1.1 Call to Order

The hybrid meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m. by Mr. Zeke Hernandez. Other members present: Mr. John Hanna. Ms. Cecilia Iglesias arrived at the noted time.

Staff present: Ms. Debra Gerard, Mr. Marvin Martinez, Dr. Annebelle Nery (via Zoom), Mr. Enrique Perez, and Ms. Maria Vicencio as record keeper.

Guest present via Zoom: Mr. Casey Elliott (Townsend Public Affairs, Sacramento) and Mr. Jordan Bernstein (Cassidy & Associates)

Ms. Iglesias arrived at this time.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Enrique Perez, Vice Chancellor, Educational Services.

1.3 Public Comment

There were no public comments.

1.4 Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Mr. Hanna and seconded by Mr. Hernandez to approve the minutes of June 12, 2024. The motion carried with the following vote: Aye – Mr. Hanna and Mr. Hernandez. Abstain – Ms. Iglesias

2.0 GENERAL

2.1 State and Federal Legislation Updates

Mr. Casey Elliott and Mr. Jordan Bernstein presented on state and federal legislation updated. Committee members received clarification on data related to the information presented by Mr. Elliott and Mr. Bernstein.

2.2 RSCCD Bill Position Matrix

Mr. Casey Elliott presented on the district's legislative matrix. The committee reviewed priority legislation.

2.3 Assembly Bill 88 (Ta): Student Financial Aid: Cal Grants: Middle Class Scholarship Program: Eligibility: Dependents of Members of the Armed Services Stationed Outside of California

It was moved by Mr. Hanna and second by Ms. Iglesias for the committee to recommend to the full board a support position for AB 88 (Ta): Student Financial Aid: Cal Grants: Middle Class Scholarship Program: Eligibility: Dependents of Members of the Armed Services Stationed Outside of California. Discussion ensued. The motion carried with the following vote: Aye – Mr. Hanna, Mr. Hernandez and Ms. Iglesias.

2.4 Assembly Bill 296 (Davies): Apprenticeships Fairs

It was moved by Mr. Hanna and second by Ms. Iglesias for the committee to recommend to the full board a support position for AB 296 (Davies): Apprenticeships Fairs. Discussion ensued. Mr. Hanna retracted his motion and committee members agreed to not take action on this assembly bill right now and wait for possible amendments.

2.5 Assembly Bill 323 (Fong): Strong Workforce Program: Work-Based Learning Opportunities

It was moved by Mr. Hanna and second by Ms. Iglesias for the committee to recommend to the full board a support position for AB 323 (Fong): Strong Workforce Program: Work-Based Learning Opportunities. Discussion ensued. The motion carried with the following vote: Aye – Mr. Hanna, Mr. Hernandez and Ms. Iglesias.

2.6 Proposal of Future Agenda Items / Committee Member Comments

Ms. Iglesias suggested the district staff also set up legislative meetings with local officials.

3.0 **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Hernandez declared the meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Minutes approved: March 27, 2025