



**ACSA Board of Directors Meeting Talking Points**  
**Meeting Date: October 11, 2024**

**BOARD MEETING**

- Next meeting: February 14, 2025 (virtual meeting).

**Consent Items:**

The ACSA Board of Directors approved the following consent items: Minutes from the July 17, 2024 board meeting; membership report as of August 31, 2024; Revisions to the Legislative Policy Committee’s Calendar Year; Proposed Bylaw Revisions: Council of Career Technical Education Leaders; ACSA Honorary Life Membership: William “Bill” Tschida; ACSA Honorary Life Membership: Mary Ann McCuiston.

**Presentations:**

**3.1 ACSA Employee Recognition**

The ACSA Board of Directors recognized Trish Elmore of the ACSA Professional Learning Services Department for her work and dedication in supporting members.

**3.2 State Committee Chair/Council President End of Term Report**

**3.2.1 The Council of Human Resources—Dr. Heather Williams; President**

Among the many accomplishments of the Council of Human Resources, including a new professional development event that combines two conferences with content for personnel and negotiations administrators, Dr. Williams also presented information on the council’s work in addressing ACSA’s Strategic Plan.

**Action Item:**

- 4.1 Proposed Revisions to ACSA Policies and Procedures: Section 8: Governmental Relations-**  
Please review board agenda packet for changes.

***MOTION: APPROVED with corrections***

**Discussion items:**

**5.1 Leadership Assembly: October Debrief and Planning for 2025 Assemblies**

- 40 survey respondents.
- Reflections in ACSA Executive Committee: consideration of timing for keynotes and efficiency; technology challenges with First Amendment presentation by Dr. Namita Brown of F3 Law.

- Reflections from the board: making lunchtime a working lunch to make the time more substantive; having a photographer present to capture group photos from each region delegation; consideration of the needs of members for keynotes and presentations during Leadership Assembly.

## **5.2 2023-23 Legislative Session – Year in Review**

- During the second year of the 2023-24 legislative session, ACSA heavily influenced state budget and policy outcomes on behalf of students and school leaders. These legislative victories advance ACSA’s One Voice for Students Legislative Platform.
- This past year, more than 2,000 legislative proposals were reviewed by ACSA staff. More than 80 key bills were analyzed by ACSA’s Legislative Policy Committee.
- The Committee approved active positions on more than 60 measures.
- ACSA’s Advocacy in Action document details a sampling of ACSA’s advocacy success.

## **5.3 One Voice for Students Legislative Platform Development**

The ACSA Legislative Policy Committee and Governmental Relations team have begun the process of developing a new One Voice for Students Legislative Platform for the 2025-26 legislative session. The initial phase involves gathering input from ACSA membership. An email with guidance and a survey for soliciting feedback from each of ACSA’s councils was sent on September 16. Councils have been asked to agendaize this conversation at an upcoming meeting or collect input electronically. November 18 is the deadline to submit one response per council reflecting the general position of the council.

The ACSA Legislative Policy Committee and Governmental Relations team will develop a platform that will be presented to the Leadership Assembly in February. The platform must be approved by the Leadership Assembly and ratified by ACSA’s board of directors.

## **5.4 Report of the California Administrators Equity Alliance (CAEA) Liaison**

- Dr. Simon provided insights into the origins of the CAEA, which was previously known as the “Affinity Group.” She discussed the initiatives aimed at fostering greater intentionality and inclusivity for all affinity groups.
- Dr. Joseph Bishop serves as the facilitator for CAEA.
- The next steps for CAEA include drafting its mission, vision, and value statements, designing a logo, and solidifying and prioritizing key areas of focus.

\*\*\*Future Meeting Dates\*\*\*

- Virtual
  - Early December 2024
  - Late January 2025
- In-Person:
  - March 12, 2025; during ACSA’s Equity Institute

- May 7, 2025 (in conjunction with Leadership Assembly).

## **PAC Board of Directors Meeting**

- Next meeting: February 14, 2025 (virtual meeting).

### **Consent:**

The ACSA PAC Board of Directors approved the following consent items: minutes for the July 17, 2024 meeting.

### **Presentations:**

#### **3.1 Political Action Committees: Spending and balance updates**

- 2024-25 Combined projected revenue: \$940,000
- Candidate PAC Balance as of 9.18.2024: \$1,119,678.96
- Issues PAC Balance as of 9.18.2024: \$769,502.51

#### **Notable contributions-Candidates PAC (7.1.24-9.18.24)**

- Total Candidate contributions: \$123,500
- Democratic party: \$50,000

#### **Notable contributions-Issues PAC (7.1.2024-9.18.2024)**

- Yes on Proposition Two: \$100,000

### **Action items:**

#### **4.1 None**

### **Discussion items:**

#### **5.1 Proposition 2 – School Facility Bond**

- Substantial investments have been made to support the passage of Prop. 2. ACSA is a member of the campaign's core leadership team, which includes the California Teachers Association and the Coalition of Adequate School Housing.
- ACSA has taken a leading role in engaging with newspaper editorial boards across the state to seek their endorsements, with notable contributions from President Plascencia and President-Elect Camp.
- Additionally, ACSA is leveraging podcasts and various communication channels to create and distribute toolkits aimed at increasing local visibility and support for the initiative.

### **Reports/Updates:**

#### **6.1 Legislative Action Days**

- March 17-18, 2025
- Day one will focus on preparing participants and keynotes and day two will focus on the meetings with legislators and/or staff.
- LAD 2025 will return to a Monday and Tuesday of the week.