



OCCA DIGEST - March 24, 2017

UPCOMING EVENTS

Legislative Summit Recap

This week, OCCA hosted our annual Legislative Summit. The event was very well attended by community college presidents, board members, and students. Several legislators also participated in the event: Representative Barbara Smith Warner, Senator Arnie Roblan, Senator Rod Monroe, and Representative Jeff Reardon. State of Oregon Economist, Mark McMullen, gave an overview of the state's economy and spoke directly about the important role community colleges play.

A special thank you to all of the legislators that came to the reception and for making community colleges a priority in your work!

Also, thank you to the viticulture programs at Chemeketa Community College and Umpqua Community College for providing the wine. And, thank you to the culinary program students at Southwestern Oregon Community College for providing the delicious hors d'oeuvres!

April 17, 2017
All Oregon Academic
Team Brunch
Convention Center,
Salem

May 25, 2017
Board Meeting
Chemeketa
Community College,
Salem

May 26, 2017
OPC Meeting
Chemeketa
Community College,
Salem

June 26-27, 2017
OPC Meeting
Location TBD

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Senator Arnie Roblan speaking at lunch.

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Legislative Session Update

This week in House Higher Education and Workforce Development, Andrea Henderson, OCCA Executive Director, and Greg Hamann, President of Linn-Benton Community College, testified on [HB 2587](#), which would significantly change the state's 40/40/20 goal.

Henderson and Hamann testified that if the attainment goal is going to be removed, there should be a larger conversation about what should replace it.

Hearings Scheduled Next Week

Below is a list of bills up for hearings next week that are of interest to community colleges:

Monday, March 27

8:30 a.m.

[SB 5524](#)

H-170

Education

Public hearing

Summary: Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Higher Education Coordinating Commission for biennial expenses.

11:00 a.m.

[SB 55 B](#)

House Floor

Summary: Provides that Office of Student Access and Completion may award total amount in Oregon Promise grants that exceeds \$10 million per fiscal year during biennium ending June 30, 2017.

[SB 274 A](#)

Senate Floor

Summary: Requires each post-secondary educational institution that provides housing for students to provide to each student enrolling or registering at institution for first time information on vaccine-preventable diseases known to occur in individuals between 16 and 21 years of age.

3:00 p.m.

[SB 42](#)

Hearing Room A

Workforce

Public hearing

Summary: Reverses amendments to statute made by Enrolled Senate Bill 1534 (2016) that were determined by United States Secretary of Labor to be out of conformity with federal law.

[SB 867](#)

Hearing Room B

Business and Transportation

Public hearing and possible work session

Summary: Creates Task Force on Maritime Sector Workforce

Development.

Tuesday, March 28

8:00 a.m.

[HB 2534](#)

Hearing Room E

Human Services and Housing

Public hearing

Summary: Establishes Community Leverage Fund

8:30 a.m.

[SB 5524](#)

H-170

Education

Public hearing

Summary: Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Higher Education Coordinating Commission for biennial expenses.

3:00 p.m.

[HB 2577](#)

Hearing Room 50

Rules

Work session

Summary: Requires lobbyist statements filed with Oregon Government Ethics Commission to identify each bill or measure introduced before Legislative Assembly lobbyist lobbied on, whether lobbyist lobbied in favor or in opposition to bill or measure, each legislative topic that was not bill or measure that lobbyist lobbied on, each person or entity that hired lobbyist and how much moneys person or entity paid lobbyist.

[HB 2729](#)

Hearing Room D

Higher Education and Workforce Development

Work session

Summary: Requires Higher Education Coordinating Commission to work

regularly with public universities and community colleges to analyze and evaluate effectiveness of previously adopted open educational resources and to increase number of open educational resources used in courses.

[HB 2862](#)

Hearing Room D
Higher Education and Workforce Development
Public hearing

Summary: Allocates \$350,000 to Nursing Faculty Loan Repayment Program.

[HB 2864](#)

Hearing Room D
Higher Education and Workforce Development
Public hearing and work session

Summary: Requires each community college and public university to establish cultural competency oversight committee.

[HB 2929](#)

Hearing Room D
Higher Education and Workforce Development
Public hearing

Summary: Directs State Treasurer to establish student loan refinancing guarantee pilot program.

[SB 196](#)

Hearing Room C
Education
Public hearing

Summary: Requires Higher Education Coordinating Commission to ensure that any policy adopted by public institution of higher education for determining whether part-time faculty members are eligible for health care benefits use aggregate total of hours worked by faculty member at all public institutions of higher education.

[SB 206](#)

Hearing Room C
Education
Public hearing

Summary: Requires Higher Education Coordinating Commission to develop policy to permit faculty at community colleges to receive compensation from private or public resources.

Wednesday, March 29

8:30 a.m.

[SB 5524](#)

H-170

Education

Public hearing

Summary: Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Higher Education Coordinating Commission for biennial expenses.

3:00 p.m.

[SB 42](#)

Hearing Room A

Workforce

Work session

Summary: Reverses amendments to statute made by Enrolled Senate Bill 1534 (2016) that were determined by United States Secretary of Labor to be out of conformity with federal law.

Thursday, March 30

8:30 a.m.

[SB 5524](#)

H-170

Education

Public hearing

Summary: Appropriates moneys from General Fund to Higher Education Coordinating Commission for biennial expenses.

3:00 p.m.

[HB 3003](#)

Hearing Room D

Higher Education and Workforce Development

Public hearing

Summary: Requires each community college that receives state moneys for purpose of providing specific workforce development training to complete and return to Higher Education Coordinating Commission form detailing how moneys were used by community college and degree to which moneys achieved purpose for which moneys were expended.

[HB 3288](#)

Hearing Room D

Higher Education and Workforce Development

Public hearing

Summary: Requires each public institution of higher education to submit annual report containing information about non-instructional staff employed by institution to Higher Education Coordinating Commission.

[HB 3335](#)

Hearing Room D

Higher Education and Workforce Development

Public hearing

Summary: Requires Higher Education Coordinating Commission to develop plan for enabling community colleges to offer associate's degree completed in coordination with credits earned in apprenticeship or training program.

[SB 297](#)

Hearing Room C

Education

Public hearing

Summary: Establishes CTE-STEM Investment Council.

Save the Date: All Oregon Academic Team Luncheon

The 2017 All Oregon Academic Team recognition program will be

held April 17 at the Salem Convention Center. Please save the date and join us in celebrating the achievements of the 2017 All Oregon Academic Team recipients.

Oregon's 17 community colleges are a vital part of the state's education system and serve roughly 295,000 students a year, or about 1 in 14 Oregonians.

The OCCA Digest updates members and the public about recent news affecting community colleges and efforts by the association to enhance student success and workforce development.

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