



OCCA DIGEST - May 12, 2017

UPCOMING EVENTS

Legislative Session Update

This week, John Wykoff, OCCA deputy director, testified on [SB 253 A](#), which would require institutions of higher education to provide to each applicable student information detailing amount of

May 25, 2017

Board Meeting
Chemeketa
Community College,
Salem

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education loans received, amount of tuition and fees student has paid to institution, estimate of total payoff amount of education loans student has received, estimate of amount student will have to pay each month to service loans and percentage of borrowing limit student has reached for each type of federal loan. Wykoff asked for a change in the bill language that would make it less costly for community colleges to deliver information about college loan payoff and the time it would take.

Wykoff also testified on [SB 207 A](#), which would require each public university and community college to provide credit in applicable subject area to students who receive certain grades on advanced placement examinations. Wykoff stated, “That while accelerated college credit is a good thing, we need to make sure it aligns with college and university programs and does not overload students with elective credit that cuts into student aid eligibility”.

On Friday, the Joint Ways and Means Subcommittee on Capital Construction held a public hearing on [SB 5505](#) where Wykoff testified, reminding the Committee that there are two more projects that did not make it into the Governor’s Recommended Budget, those at Clatsop Community College and Treasure Valley Community College. He also gave the Committee an update on Treasure Valley Community College’s potential eligibility for project funding moving forward. This hearing was for all General Fund-

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June 26-27, 2017
OPC Meeting
Location TBD

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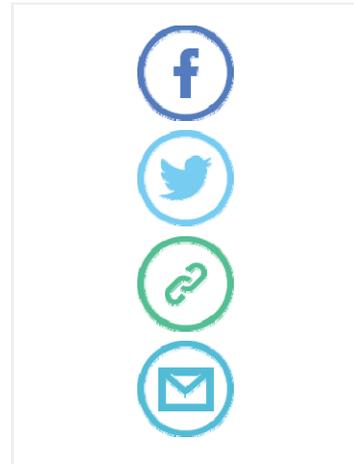
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supported capital construction in the state budget, so many community colleges opted to [submit written testimony](#) to get support for their projects on the record.

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Hearings Scheduled Next Week

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



Monday, May 15

11:00 a.m.

[SB 561 B](#)

House Floor

Summary: Exempts from prohibition on practice of dentistry and dental hygiene without valid license students of dentistry and dental hygiene engaged in certain clinical studies performed under indirect supervision of dental faculty member.

1:00 p.m.

[SB 42](#)

Hearing Room E

Business and Labor

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.

3:00 p.m.

[HB 2152 A](#)

Hearing Room B

Business and Transportation

Public hearing and possible work session

Summary: Permits small business development centers to use grant funds for outreach and marketing.

Tuesday, May 16

3:00 p.m.

[HB 2311](#)

Hearing Room C

Education

Public hearing

Summary: Makes 40-40-20 higher education goals relate to Oregonians completing education, rather than to all adult Oregonians.

[HB 2666 A](#)

Hearing Room C

Education

Public hearing

Summary: Gives community college recognized student government authority to establish process and allocate mandatory student-initiated fees, subject to refusal under certain circumstances by board of education of community college district or president of community college.

[HB 2864 A](#)

Hearing Room C

Education

Public hearing

Summary: Requires each community college and public university to establish process for recommending, and providing oversight for implementation of, cultural competency standards for institution and institution's employees.

[HB 3253](#)

HR 50

Rules

Work session

Summary: Clarifies that state agencies and departments shall purchase certain products and services from Commission for the Blind.

[SB 206 A](#)

Hearing Room D

Higher Education and Workforce Development

Public hearing

Summary: Permits board of education of community college to authorize faculty at community college to receive compensation from private or public resources.

[SB 395 A](#)

Hearing Room D

Higher Education and Workforce Development

Public hearing

Summary: Requires Higher Education Coordinating Commission to, on annual basis, work with Department of Human Services, each public university and each community college to determine number and graduation rates of former foster children and current foster children at each college or university.

Thursday, May 18

3:00 p.m.

[HB 3288 A](#)

Hearing Room C

Education

Public hearing

Summary: Requires each public institution of higher education to submit report containing information about administrative positions and other cost drivers at institution to Joint Committee on Ways

and Means as part of institution's budget presentation during each regular session of Legislative Assembly held during odd-numbered year.

[HB 3423 A](#)

Hearing Room C

Education

Public hearing

Summary: Exempts person serving in Oregon National Guard from requirement to enroll in community college courses within six months of attaining previous highest level of education in order to qualify for Oregon Promise grant, provided that person enrolls in community college courses within six months of completing initial active duty training.

New Survey: Glowing Picture of Community Colleges

This week, [New America](#), a nonpartisan think tank, released the results of its latest poll, "[Varying Degrees: New America's Annual Survey on Higher Education](#)". [Results indicate](#) that while Americans have mixed feelings about how well colleges are serving the needs of students, they esteem community colleges. In fact, at least 80 percent of

respondents said that community colleges in particular contribute to a strong work force, are worth their cost, and prepare people to succeed. Community colleges received more positive perceptions than any other sector of higher education, especially among the poll's youngest respondents, from Generation Z, roughly defined at those born in the late 1990s and 2000s.

To see the full results of the survey, please click [here](#).

Upcoming OCCA Events: Register Now

[OCCA New Community College Board Member Orientation](#)

July 25-26, 2017

Best Western Agate Beach Inn

- Tuesday, July 25, 6:00 pm - Group Dinner
- Wednesday, July 26, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm - Orientation and Training

Click [here](#) to register for the board member orientation.

[OCCA New Community College President and Administrator Orientation](#)

July 26-27, 2017

Best Western Agate Beach Inn

- Wednesday, July 26, 6:00 pm - Group Dinner
- Thursday, July 27, 9:00 am - 3:30 pm - Orientation and Training

Click [here](#) to register for the president and administrator orientation.

To reserve a hotel room, please contact Best Western Agate Beach Inn at 541-265-9411 using the code "OCCA". Hotel rooms will be held until July 10, 2017. After that date, rooms can be reserved as available.

- Hillside Room - King or Two Double Beds - \$125 + tax (government rate)
- Ocean-view - King or Two Double Beds - \$165 + tax

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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