



OCCA DIGEST - May 26, 2017

UPCOMING EVENTS

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## Legislative Session

On Tuesday this week, OCCA executive director Andrea Henderson and Portland Community College president Mark Mitsui both testified in the House Higher Education and Workforce

**June 26-27, 2017**

OPC Meeting  
Lane Community  
College

**July 25-26, 2017**

New Board Member  
Training  
Agate Beach Inn,

Development Committee on steps the state could take to connect college students to various federal benefits.

OCCA deputy director John Wykoff also testified on Tuesday in House Higher Education and Workforce Development explaining the fiscal impact of SB 253 on community colleges. This bill would require institutions of higher education to provide each applicable student information detailing amount of 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 loan.

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## Federal Budget Released

On Tuesday this week, the Federal Administration released its full budget request for 2018.

Congressional leaders expressed concerns about the proposed cuts and many labeled the budget “Dead on Arrival”. The [Association of Community College Trustees](#) (ACCT) released the following information detailing how this budget will impact community colleges. The following information comes directly from ACCT’s Latest Action in Washington (LAW) E-Alert email sent on Tuesday, May 23, 2017.

Newport, OR

**July 26-27, 2017**

New President and  
Administrator Training  
Agate Beach Inn,  
Newport, OR

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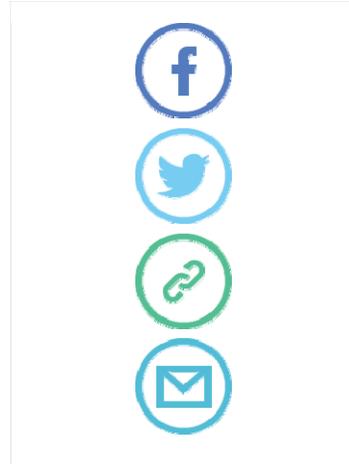
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- **Pell and Campus-Based Aid**

- The current Pell Grant surplus is targeted with a \$3.9 billion cut. The maximum award remains flat at \$5,920. The budget states it support for year-round Pell, which was reinstated and signed into law under the FY 2017 omnibus appropriations bill.
- Funding is eliminated for Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG) program. Under the proposal the program would end after the upcoming award year. Funded at \$733 million, SEOG provides grant aid to over 1.5 million students annually. Community college students represent a quarter of those recipients.
- The budget proposes cutting Federal Work Study (FWS) by 49 percent, or \$488 million. The budget recommends targeting the program to benefit the neediest students, but does not specify those desired authorizing changes. Currently, more than 72,000 community college students benefit from FWS, with an average award of \$2,020.

- **Other Eliminated Programs**

- Funding for Title III (A) Strengthening



Institutions is eliminated under the budget request. Title III (A) grants are provided to eligible institutions to build capacity to serve low-income students. Community colleges receive a large portion of these grants. This program is currently funded \$86.5 million

- Child Care Access Means Parents in School is eliminated under the budget proposal. This program is currently funded at \$15 million.

- **Workforce, Adult Ed, and CTE**

- The budget includes significant cuts for state grant programs under Title I of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA). This includes a \$326 million cut to WIOA Adult grant (40 percent), a \$385 million cut to WIOA Dislocated Worker grants (39 percent), and a \$457 million cut to WIOA Youth grants (52 percent).
- The budget recommends a 15% cut to Perkins Career and Technical Education state grants (\$166 million)
- The budget also provides for a 16% cut to state grants under Adult Basic Education (\$96 million).

- **Student Loans**

- The budget would eliminate subsidized loans for new borrowers.
- The budget proposes to consolidate

five current income driven repayment (IDR) plans into a single plan. The single IDR plan would set a borrower's monthly payment at 12.5 percent of discretionary income, while eliminating the standard repayment cap. For borrowers with undergraduate student debt only, any balance remaining after 15 years of repayment would be forgiven. For borrowers with any graduate debt, any balance remaining after 30 years of repayment would be forgiven.

- The budget also eliminates Public Service Loan Forgiveness, but would grandfather in those already enrolled in the program.

To stay up to date about federal legislation that affects community colleges, join the Latest Action in Washington (LAW) E-Alert network. To join, simply e-mail [publicpolicy@acct.org](mailto:publicpolicy@acct.org) with 'LAW Alert' in the subject of the e-mail.

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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:

**Tuesday, May 30**

1:00 p.m.

[SB 845 A](#)

Hearing Room A

Revenue

Public Hearing and Work Session

Summary: Changes distribution of moneys collected by Department of Revenue as tax imposed on retail sale of marijuana items to transfers of moneys to cities and counties according to specified formula and uses of moneys for specified purposes related to education and public health and safety. An amendment is pending that would designate a percentage of the revenue to community colleges.

3:00 p.m.

[HB 2013](#)

Hearing Room C

Education

Work Session

Summary: Modifies requirements for preschool program administered by Early Learning Division.

[HB 2864 A](#)

Hearing Room C

Education

Work Session

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 3216](#)

Hearing Room C

Education

Public Hearing and Possible Work Session

Summary: Directs Chief Education Office to conduct study for purpose of identifying practices that assist students in poverty families.

[HB 3267 A](#)

Hearing Room C

Education

Work Session

Summary: Directs school districts and public charter schools to waive high school diploma requirements that are not established by state law if student is or was foster child, homeless or runaway.

[HB 3288 A](#)

Hearing Room C

Education

Work Session

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 3289 A](#)

Hearing Room C

Education

Public Hearing and Possible Work Session

Summary: Directs Higher Education Coordinating Commission to submit annual report to interim committees of Legislative Assembly that describes progress made in providing competency-based education in public post-secondary institutions of education.

[HB 3423](#)

Hearing Room C

Education

Work Session

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.

**Thursday, June 1**

3:00 p.m.

[SB 143 A](#)

Hearing Room E

Veterans and Emergency Preparedness

Public Hearing and Possible Work Session

Summary: Directs Advisory Committee to review, consider and report to interim legislative committees relating to veterans no later than February 1, 2018, regarding programs to establish or expand campus veteran resource centers and campus veteran resource coordinators on campuses of community colleges and public universities to help veterans successfully transition from military service to college life, succeed in college, complete educational goals and transition from college to workforce and community.

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## **OCCA Board Recap**

On Thursday this week, the OCCA Board of Directors met in Salem for its last quarterly meeting of the fiscal year. The Board received updates on a variety of state and federal legislative issues as well as an update on the Oregon Student Success Center and discussed OCCA goals.

The Board approved the 2017-18 OCCA budget and approved the slate of nominees for the 2017-18 OCCA Executive Committee.

## 2017-2018 Executive Committee

President: Denise Frisbee, current OCCA vice president and board member at Portland Community College since 2005

Vice President: Dave Hunt, board member at Clackamas Community College since 2015

Secretary: Birgitte Ryslinge, current OCCA treasurer and president of Oregon Coast Community College since 2014

Treasurer: Julie Huckestein, president at Chemeketa Community College since 2014

Member-at-Large (One-Year Term 2017-18 only): Susie Johnston, board chair and board member at Lane Community College since 2015 (and previous board member from 2005-2013)

Member-at-Large (Two-Year Term 2017-18/2018-19): Vikki Ricks, board chair at Central Oregon Community College since 2011

Immediate Past President: Dave Jensen, current OCCA board president and board member at Klamath Community College since 2009

OPC Chair: Roberto Gutierrez, president of Klamath Community College since 2012

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## Remembering Dale Parnell

The community college world lost a pioneer and a champion with the passing of Dale Parnell. Mr. Parnell passed away in his home on April 20. Dr. Parnell played an instrumental role in founding Lane Community College and served as its [first president](#) from 1965 through 1968. In 1990, Oregon Community College Association awarded Dr. Parnell with the Howard Cherry Award for outstanding community college administrator.

Dr. Parnell was appointed Oregon Superintendent of Public Instruction in 1968 by Governor Tom McCall. Then in 1981, Dr. Parnell was named president of the American Association of Community Colleges (then the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges) and led the organization with a vision of community colleges as place of providing opportunity and quality for all students. He served in this role until 1991. During this time, Dr. Parnell was awarded with Oregon Community College Association's (OCCA) Howard Cherry Award for Outstanding Community College Administrator, OCCA's highest honor.

AACC wrote a very touching tribute to Dr. Parnell and his legacy, providing great detail on what he did to advance community colleges over his lifetime. To read the article, please click [here](#).

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## Tea Party for Mary Spilde

In honor of Dr. Mary Spilde's retirement, Lane Community College invites you to attend a tea party on Thursday, June 8 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The tea party will be held at Lane Community College's Main Campus Center Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor. Traditional tea party attire encouraged.

If you have any questions please contact Brett Rowlett at [rowlettb@lanecc.edu](mailto:rowlettb@lanecc.edu)

A vertical poster with a dark brown background. At the top, it says "Please join us for" in a small, light font. Below that, "A TEA PARTY" is written in large, bold, white capital letters. Underneath, "for" is written in a small, light font, followed by "President MARY SPILDE" in white capital letters. The text continues: "In honor of her retirement from Lane Community College", "Thursday, the eighth of June", "Two thousand and seventeen", and "Four o'clock to half past six in the evening". The location is listed as "LaneCC Main Campus", "Center Building, 2nd Floor", "4000 East 30th Avenue", and "Eugene, Oregon". A note says "Traditional Tea Party Attire Encouraged!". At the bottom, there is a white silhouette of a teapot. In the bottom left corner, there is a small circular logo with "DMC" and "LCC" inside. In the bottom right corner, there is the Lane Community College logo. On the right side of the poster, there is a decorative vertical strip of stylized leaves in shades of blue and purple.

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Eugene, Oregon

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To request accommodations that will facilitate your full participation in this event contact the Center for Accessible Resources at least one week in advance at (541) 463-5150 or [accessibleresources@lanecc.edu](mailto:accessibleresources@lanecc.edu)

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# CTC Leadership Development Summer Conference

Registration is now open for [CTC Leadership Development Association's 2017 Summer Conference](#). CTC Leadership Development Association is the professional development organization for administrative and exempt/professional employees of community and technical colleges in Washington State.

The Summer Conference will be held August 3 and 4 at The Historic Davenport Hotel in Spokane, WA. The keynote speaker is [Margaret Wheatley](#), co-founder and president of The Berkeana Institute, an organizational consultant since 1973, a global citizen since her youth, and a prolific writer. Wheatley writes, speaks, and teaches how we can accomplish our work, sustain our relationships, and willingly step forward to serve.

The Conference will also feature [Adrianna Kezar](#), PhD. Professor for higher education at the University of Southern California and co-director of the [Pullias Center for Higher Education](#) and director for the [The Delphi Center](#). Her research agenda explores the change process in higher education institutions and the role of leadership in creating change.

To register for the Summer Conference, please

clicker [here](#). To view the tentative agenda, please click [here](#).

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## 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
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*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.*

*Do you have links to local stories or other items of interest? Please forward them to [katie@occa17.com](mailto:katie@occa17.com).*

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