

**Legislative Committee Report**  
**March 21, 2014**

The Legislative Committee welcomes three (3) new members - Catherine Hutchinson, Nancy Kobata, and Pete Rauch pending Board approval. The addition of these presidents assures the Legislative committee fully represents the breadth of the state [south coast, southern California and the San Joaquin Valley].

We have been working diligently on the following activities:

**Bills:**

Our sponsored Staff Trustee bill [AB 2721] authored by Assemblymember Pan will have its first hearing April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Our co-sponsored bill with AFSCME and UAPD, addressing Contracting Out [SB 943] authored by Senator Beall is in the amendment stage and will be in print the week of March 24<sup>th</sup>, hearings are pending. Thanks to our Legislative Advocate David Balla-Hawkins for his tireless efforts advocating for us and these much needed bills.

**Lobby Day 2014:**

Lobby Day 2014 planning is well underway and we look forward to cultivating our relationships with the Legislators and their staff as we advocate for our sponsored bills and support for a stable CSU budget. It appears we will have company in the halls of the Capitol as the Higher Education Lobby Day will occur the same day. Finally, we are excited to have Chancellor Tim White as our guest speaker for the Lobby Day training dinner.

**CSU Budget Advocacy:**

Pat Gantt and David Balla-Hawkins have served on the CSU's Advocacy Group. This group – including labor groups, students, alumni and administrators have been actively soliciting support from legislators for a \$95 million increase in the CSU budget. As mentioned above, we will have talking points for our Lobby Day representatives.

**Political Action Committee [PAC] Campaign:**

We, with tremendous support from the Communications and Organizing Committees, will embark upon our PAC campaign that will begin in June and culminate in November. The attorneys we retain to assist us with our PACs are reviewing our brochure and other communications to ensure we are in compliance with all laws that govern political actions and contributions.

Respectfully submitted,

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