



Washington State Student Services Commission & Councils *COUNCIL & LIAISON QUARTERLY REPORT*

Council/WSSSC (please select from list)

- WSSSC ACC ARC CESC CUSP DSSC
 FAC MSSDC VMSC Other: **WACTC Capital Committee**

Meeting Date & Quarter *Date(s) of Meeting: 11/19/2020, 1/21/2021*

Quarter/Year:

- Fall Winter Spring Summer Other: _____
 2021

Primary Focus Areas & Hot Topics

Bulleted list or brief description of top focus areas and scope of impact

The WACTC Capital Committee continues to meet monthly. The meetings are chaired by Darrell Cain, president of Pierce College-Puyallup and supported by Wayne Doty, SBCTC Capital Budget Director.

At the November 19 meeting, the committee previewed a professional development opportunity regarding the application of critical race theory to the planning and building facilities processes. Also reviewed was a list of jobs potentially created in the state if the system’s capital projects are funded.

At both the November 19 and the January 21 meeting, the committee reviewed colleges’ facilities debt service and their ability to stay current on payment schedules. To date, colleges report they have plans to stay current on their payments. Some acknowledge they will be paying their debt from budget sources they had not expected to draw from.

A task force lead by the Business Affairs Commission continues to work on identifying systemic bias that may be present in the scoring of capital budget request requests. The WACTC Capital Budget Committee reviewed a draft list of observations and recommendations. Feedback will be reviewed by the taskforce before a final document is presented.

On January 22, Dr. Amara H. Pérez, Portland Community College, hosted Critical Race Theory in Institutional Planning and Campus Design: A Case Study.

Decisions and Recommendations

For any issues focusing on member voting, please include vote counts/results

Please find attached a list of capital bills the SBCTC is monitoring or supporting.

Questions or concerns to forward (please select from list)

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Description of question or concern. Please be specific, and state any desired outcomes or suggestions if applicable.

None

Other information to share

The next meeting is scheduled for February 25. The foremost agenda item is review and discussion of the BAC task force's final analysis of potential systemic racial bias in SBCTC's major project scoring criteria.

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