CSCU Joint Administrative Councils

The CSCU President and executive staff members convene and lead the following Joint Administrative Councils to help coordinate work, policy and implementation across the 17 community colleges and universities. All executive staff work functions are represented and have corresponding staff members on the respective councils from each of the colleges and universities.

**Council of Presidents**
- **Convener:** President Ojakian
- **Staff:** Victoria Thomas
- **Includes:** College/University Presidents
- **Meets:** Monthly

The Council of Presidents works to advance strategic priorities, discuss organization-wide initiatives, issues, current national and state higher education news, and trends.

**Academic Affairs Council**
- **Convener:** Jane McBride Gates
- **Staff:** Patricia Ryiz
- **Includes:** College/University Academic Provosts and Deans
- **Meets:** Monthly

The Academic Provosts and Deans of the Academic Affairs Council consider policies and operational procedures which have an organization-wide implication for academic affairs, credit courses and programs.

**Student Affairs Council**
- **Convener:** Jane McBride Gates
- **Staff:** Patricia Ryiz
- **Includes:** College/University Vice Presidents and Deans
- **Meets:** Monthly

The Vice Presidents and Deans of Students Council consider policies and operational procedures which have an organization-wide implication for student affairs.

**Administrative/Financial Affairs Council**
- **Convener:** Erika Steiner
- **Staff:** Pamela Coleman
- **Includes:** College/University Dean of Administration/CFO
- **Meets:** Monthly (excluding summer months)/Quarterly

The Administrative/Financial Affairs Council considers a wide range of policy, compliance and campus operational issues around financial and administrative matters. Regular meetings are held with College Deans separately from University CFOs, with periodic meetings involving all Finance professionals.
Institutional Research Council  
Convener: Bill Gammell  
Staff: Annie Davis  
Includes: College/University Institutional Research Staff  
Meets: Monthly  
The Institutional Research Council helps shape the organization’s research agenda and identifies appropriate, reliable and valid metrics and research tools to assess the effectiveness of the organization’s initiatives. The group also considers national higher education policy trends as they may relate to the organization.

IT Council  
Convener: Joe Tolisano  
Includes: College/University Chief Information Officer  
Meets: Three times a year  
The IT Council focuses on issues involving IT security and safety, procurement, best practices and other issues of importance involving the system’s technology infrastructure and needs.

Human Resources Council  
Convener: Steve Weinberger and Mike Lopez  
Includes: College/University Senior HR Staff Member  
Meets: The Human Resources Directors (Colleges) meet monthly. The Council on Employee Relations (Universities) meets monthly as well. Once in the fall and once in the spring, the Human Resources Directors and the Council on Employee Relations meet jointly as the Human Resources Council. The Human Resources Council focuses on the substantive human resource and employment law policies and procedures that are required for consistent and effective management and compliance.

Facilities Council  
Convener: Keith Epstein  
Staff: Denisa Calloway-Sheets  
Includes: College/University Senior Facilities Staff Members, DCS & DAS  
Meets: Universities- individually once a month, Colleges - 2 per month individually on a rotating basis  
The Facilities Council meets four times a month individually at each university and individually at each college at a rate of two per month to discuss the infrastructure needs at each of their campuses, as they relate to enrollment/project trends and plans. They also discuss ways in which the organization can collaborate together on energy and other needs.