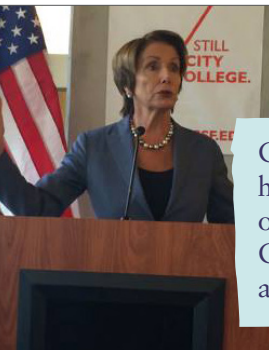


THE EPIC BATTLE CONTINUES

CCSF, community & leaders stand up for fair accreditation

JANUARY 2014

CA Superior Court Judge Curtis Karnow issues injunction in City Attorney's lawsuit, prohibiting ACCJC from discrediting CCSF until trial is complete.



Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi holds press conference in support of CCSF at the college's Chinatown Campus, encouraging enrollment and criticizing ACCJC's actions.

Faculty and students deliver 2500 signatures (more than 80 feet!) against rash class cancellations to CCSF administration.



FEBRUARY



Hundreds rally in the rain while inside, CCSF's chancellor admits top administrators were paid well above the published salary schedule without public notice. Faculty had just taken a 4% pay cut.

ACCJC rejects CCSF's request that disaccreditation decision be reviewed; college moves to appeal decision.

Dozens of AFT 2121 members lobby in the State Capitol for new funding and fair accreditation standards; accreditation reform bills introduced.

MARCH



Student protests against state-imposed trusteeship and CCSF payment policy are met with police force and arrests.

SF Board of Supervisors hold hearing on local control, democracy, and transparency at CCSF, unanimously adopt resolution calling for return of the duly elected Board of Trustees.



APRIL

ACCJC leaders' odd proposal for CCSF to start over by applying for accreditation "candidacy" roundly rejected by college, community, legislative leaders.

Statewide Student Success Scorecard shows CCSF above average in many success measures for second year in a row.

At its annual dinner, the San Francisco Labor Council honors City Attorney Dennis Herrera and AFT 2121 for their work defending CCSF.

MAY

As July disaccreditation date nears, intense public pressure mounts for ACCJC to take a new look at CCSF and extend deadline; ACCJC remains intractable.

As CA Assembly unanimously adopts a resolution to support CCSF, yet another Republican, Don Wagner (Irvine), offers critique: "I spent twelve years as a community college trustee. I have had to deal with the ACCJC many times. The dealings are almost uniformly unpleasant."

In letter to Nancy Pelosi, Dept. of Education clearly indicates that ACCJC has the ability to extend deadline.

JUNE

Hundreds from around the state rally outside the ACCJC meeting—more than a dozen colleges represented.



Conflict-ridden Appeals Panel, handpicked by ACCJC, affirms commission actions against City College.

Newly devised "restoration" policy announced: could avoid discrediting CCSF, but would hold college to higher standards than any other, with no appeals.

Judge Karnow hears, and immediately denies, ACCJC's Motion to Stay.

SF's Harvey Milk LGBT Democratic Club honors "City College Champions" at annual dinner, held at CCSF's Mission Campus.

City Attorney asks judge to go back, start process anew: "back before first unfair and unlawful acts were committed against the college" by ACCJC.



The People vs. the ACCJC in session Oct. 27-31; at each session for a full week, the 100+ seat courtroom is mostly filled to capacity with CCSF supporters.

New CCSF Board of Trustees members elected by San Franciscans.

300 faculty letters delivered to Chancellor Tyler & Special Trustee Agrella protesting the administration's ill-conceived, top-down reorganization plan for the college.

Several dozen CCSF advocates address state Board of Governors, outlining why it should not reauthorize a Special Trustee With Extraordinary Powers and should restore the Board of Trustees.

Documents accidentally made public by ACCJC indicate that the commission's visiting team *unanimously* recommended a lesser sanction than Show Cause for CCSF in 2012, and never discussed the harsher sanction.

Governor signs 3 bills relating to CCSF and accreditation, including stabilization funding for CCSF to protect the college from cuts due to unprecedented enrollment drops.

State Board of Governors adopt slow "plan" for return of local control to CCSF, amidst objections by CCSF Board of Trustees members and CCSF advocates.

DECEMBER

ACCJC grants unfair "Restoration Status" to CCSF, allowing more time but setting up stricter standards no other college is held to.

JULY

Students present thousands of bricks to administration: stop canceling classes and rebuild our college!



SEPTEMBER

OCTOBER



CCSF supporters engage press, public outside courthouse during October trial.

NOVEMBER

Judge's ruling: ACCJC broke the law; ACCJC must give the college opportunity for due process on some points.

JANUARY 2015

Disclaimer: This doesn't cover it all. For events leading up to these, see our previous Union Action timeline: <http://bit.ly/accredtimeline2013>.