

Budget Committee Meeting Minutes April 28, 2022 3:05-4:45 Via Zoom

Members Present

Administration: Ron Perez-Co-Chair, David Loverin, Zach Patterson, Louann Waldner

Faculty: John Sorber, Manlia Xiong

Adjunct Faculty TBD

Classified: Angela Iniguez, Nick Terry

Confidential: Students:

Non-Voting Member: Linda McCauley, Leangela Miller-Hernandez

Members Absent

Administration:

Faculty: Mike Skaff–Co-Chair, James McDonnell

Adjunct Faculty:

Classified:

Confidential: Mary Schaefer
Student: Macintyre Garbani

Non-Voting Member:

- 1. Call to Order Ron Perez called the meeting to order at 3:06.
- 2. Approval of the March 24, 2022 Budget Committee Minutes Nick Terry moved to approve the minutes of 3/24/22 and Manlia Xiong seconded the motion. No further discussion. Motion carried.
- 3. Report to Committee
 - a) **District Governance Senate Actions –** Ron Perez reviewed the standing report.
 - b) Board of Trustees Actions and Items None
- **4. Budget and Fiscal Items on the Board Agenda** Linda McCauley reviewed the financial reports that will be presented at the May 9th board meeting. She pointed out the current surplus of \$2,177,199 shown on the working budget.
- 5. CARES/I/II/III-Leangela Miller-Hernandez reviewed the recap of the spreadsheet. The CARES III/HSI funds have a new expiration date of June 30, 2023. She pointed out that the District currently has \$1.2M in COVID funds remaining, but all of the remaining funds are earmarked for projects or to reimburse lost revenue.
 - Ron Perez reminded the committee that beginning with the fall 2022 semester parking fees will be reinstated, there will be no supplemental checks, no \$250 book vouchers, or 50% discount for food purchases.
- 6. Spring Budget Forum PowerPoint-Ron Perez presented his spring budget forum PowerPoint. He thanked Linda McCauley and Leangela Miller-Hernandez for all of their hard work assisting with the calculations. He gave an update on how we finished 2021 and pointed out that the recalc shows there will be no additional funding for that year. He explained the three different types of funding (TCR, SCFF, Hold Harmless) that a community college can receive. He reviewed the 21-22 budget, pointing out we chose Stability Protection, which is only the base allocation (10,519 FTES from 19-20). This was made available to all Districts to make sure they weren't losing funding due to the drop in student enrollment. The supplement portion of the SCFF is where the District is hurting due to the drop in our PELL Grant recipients (approximately \$808k). The Chancellor's Office is showing a current deficit of 3.35% (\$2.6M to COS), but we are not making any changes to the budget as we are confident the majority of the deficit will go away by the end of the fiscal year. He reviewed the funding formula shift and the difference between Hold Harmless, SCFF and Stability Protection Funding. COS is currently in stability protection funding because we are losing FTES and funding in the supplemental category. He discussed the "fiscal cliff" and the Joe Wyse Plan. This plan would make this year the hold harmless year, so whatever funding a college is receiving this year that would become the new floor for their funding. To get additional funding a college would have to grow in FTES and the other matrix. This plan is new to the Chancellor's Office and the Department of Finance, so we don't think this plan will start until next year. He discussed the Governor's January budget proposal and shared that the Department of Finance released the new COLA as 6.56% and it's expected to be the new funded COLA released in the Governor's May Revise. He reminded the committee that it was negotiated that our employees will get the funded COLA plus 1% (possible 7.5% salary increase). The 2022-23 budget assumptions and Fiscal Solvency Plan were reviewed. There is a projected budget surplus of \$4.5M for 2022-23. The tentative budget goes to the Board in June and that allows the District to start spending in July. The final budget is adopted by the Board in September. Leangela Miller-Hernandez clarified that stability protection does not go away. As long as the funding formula stays the way it is now, the District will always qualify for prior year plus COLA if that's higher than our Total



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- Computational Revenue (TCR). She pointed out that we do need to keep an eye on mid-sized college designation when we come off of FTES protection. We will have three (3) years to get back to 10,000 FTES or lose our mid-sized college designation (\$1.5M). Louann Waldner also mentioned Hanford keeping it's 1,000 FTES to maintain Center Status funding.
- 7. Above-Base Questionnaires/Survey Results-Ron Perez reviewed the above-base survey results for the 8 responses received. The survey comments were reviewed and discussion ensued. Ron Perez is going to get the above-base training video back out for people to review (comment #1). Nick Terry shared that there is a task force looking into TracDat and that there will be a few other vendors providing a demo of alternative software (comment #2). There was lengthy discussion about the recommendation for a two (2) year timeline for the funds to be spent (comment #3). It was suggested that the committee ask for a timeline on how an above-base recipient intends to complete their project. At the end of the year the committee can review a summary of how many projects were completed, how many had to be carried over and why the carryover.
- 8. **Resource Allocation Manual/Rubric Revision-** Ron Perez asked committee members for any revision recommendations to the 2021 RAM. No recommendations were made.
- 9. Base Budget Augmentations and Classified/Management Staff-Ron Perez reviewed the Tier I augmentations and staffing requests that were approved. He pointed out that Tier II has not been approved and there are several factors that go into the request being approved. He clarified that the amount listed for a staff position includes salary, health & welfare costs, PERS, and payroll taxes.
- 10. Other Business None
- 11. Next Meeting May 12, 2022
- 12. Adjourn 4:25