

VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

District Council of Administrative Services (DCAS)

Thursday, January 15, 2015

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Attendees:

Dan Casey, Classified representative, Ventura College (via Lync)
Brian Fahnestock, Vice Chancellor Business Services
Alan Hayashi, AFT Representative
Patrick Jefferson, Executive Vice President, Ventura College (via Lync)
Linda Kama'ila, Academic Senate President, Oxnard College
Dave Keebler, Vice President, Business Services, Ventura College (via Lync)
Deborah La Teer, Budget Director
Mary Rees, Academic Senate President, Moorpark College
Mike Bush, Vice President, Business Services, Oxnard College
Emily Day, Director, Fiscal Services
Raul Cardoza, Interim Executive Vice President, Oxnard College
Alex Kolesnik

Guest(s):

Jamillah Moore, Chancellor

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. with all members utilizing the District's Lync phone conferencing capability.

Vice Chancellor Fahnestock explained the intent of the meeting is to review the Governor's Initial Budget Proposal for fiscal year 2016.

Vice Chancellor Fahnestock explained that the budget proposal includes "new money" and is good for Prop 98, but not so good for other sectors (prison and healthcare). He explained the base allocation has increased and is intended to help pay for the upcoming STRS/PERS increases. STRS/PERS increased approximately \$300,000 this year and the increase for fiscal year 2016 could be \$1 million. The increase in base allocation is ongoing money, necessary to pay down those debts,

Vice Chancellor Fahnestock explained growth is proposed at 2%. The group was reminded about state's new proposed growth funding formula, which should be implemented in 15-16. Under this new formula, the maximum growth for VCCCD would be 1% (\$1,250,000).

There was a discussion about Student Success and Student Equity funding. According to the proposal, VCCCD could receive \$4.6 million. There was a discussion about the District's match and the required percentage. This additional funding is intended to grow the program further.

A cost of living adjustment (COLA) is included in the Governor's proposal. That could equate to \$2.1 million to the District.

Vice Chancellor Fahnestock explained the proposal also includes many uncertainties such as CDCP (enhanced adult education rate), CTE, and apprenticeship programs.

The two largest pieces of the budget is the \$500 million (system wide) for adult education which includes the AB86 program. Tim Harrison is the District's representative on the AB86 venture. Additionally, there is a \$358 million block grant, which is intended to pay down mandated costs (owed to us). The remainder is for scheduled/deferred maintenance.

The proposal does not include COLA for categorical programs. Vice Chancellor Fahnestock explained there is a belief the economy is booming. California, specifically Silicon Valley, is booming. Economic forecast is good, but there is general agreement that the economy is cyclical and that a recession likely looming.

There was a discussion on the District's growth and FTES. FTES are currently up from this time last year. Current projections indicate the District will end the year with 25,700 FTES. Our base is 25,300. Projection includes summer FTES and 4-week summer sessions.

In summary, Vice Chancellor Fahnestock explained the Governor's initial budget proposal seems favorable, but more will be known as we approach the May Revise and state adopted budget.

The phone call concluded at approximately 9:40 a.m.