

**VENTURA COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**  
District Council of Administrative Services (DCAS)

Thursday, January 17, 2008

District Administrative Office Multipurpose Room

**NOTES**

Attendees: Andrea Adlman (for Connie Jenkins), Dominga Chavez, Scott Corbett, Debra Cronin, Ray Di Giulio, Sue Johnson, Tom Kimberling, Deborah LaTeer, Mary Anne McNeil, Margaret Tennant

Absent: Karen Osher, Kathryn Schoenrock,

The meeting began at 8:35 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The committee approved the notes from the August 30, 2007 meeting.

**BUDGET UPDATE**

Sue Johnson explained that on January 10<sup>th</sup>, the Governor declared a Fiscal State of Emergency for the current fiscal year (2007-08). In essence, that means that the Legislature will go into Special Session and has 45 days to take action on mid-year budget reductions. If the Legislature fails to act, the Governor will take action. A narrative/overview of the 2008-09 Governor's Budget dated January 16, 2008 was distributed.

2007-08 Budget Update

- \$40 million cut in Proposition 98 to community colleges (VCCCD's share is about \$880K). The administration is allowing the system to identify where the cuts are to come from.
- If the cuts are to come from general apportionment, then they will come from the district's Revenue Shortfall Contingency of \$1 million. The *Revenue Shortfall Contingency – Projected Status* schedule was distributed, including the estimate of the P1/Recalc decreases.
- With the use of the contingency fund, it is expected that we will be able to get through current year without site budget cuts.

2008-09 Budget Update

The *Revenue Schedule* and *FY09 Preliminary Revenues & Costs* schedules (dated 1/17/08) reflecting the Governor's proposal of no COLA for 2008-9 were distributed and discussed.

- Budget approval could be the latest it's ever been (maybe October), because of the negotiations that will be necessary
- Based on the current enrollment, the district should receive restoration funding of \$3.3 million at P2 this year. That funding will roll into the base in 2008-9

- In an attempt to get a projection of what the Governor's projected budget would do, we are rolling the budget two months earlier than usual and the sites are beginning budget development, including multiple scenarios.

There are things that were done previously, that will assist us to get through this time. They are:

- Borrowing from summer has been significantly reversed.
- Reserves were established

Mary Anne McNeil distributed *Reductions to Categoricals & Projected Personnel Cost Increases* schedule (dated 1/17/08). The committee discussed the information provided on this schedule.

Sue emphasized several times during the meeting that it was early in the state budget process, and that at this time the only thing that we could be sure of was that things would change.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:20 a.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 21, 2008.