

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

Thursday, September 18, 2008

District Administrative Office Multipurpose Room

NOTES

Attendees: John al-Amin, Dominga Chavez, P. Scott Corbett, Ray Di Guilio, Sue Johnson, Connie Jenkins, Tom Kimberling, Mary Anne McNeil, Darlene Melby, Karen Osher, Peter Sezzi, Margaret Tennant

Absent: Deborah LaTeer, David Keebler, Debra Cronin

The meeting began at approximately 8:40 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The notes from the August 28, 2008 meeting were approved by consensus.

2008-09 ADOPTION BUDGET

Ms. Johnson gave an update on the budget package that was being re-considered by the legislature. As of now, the Governor had threatened to veto the package that was presented to him earlier in the week, and the "Big 5" was considering modifying some aspects of the package for another vote. The package as it stood on this date included restoration of categoricals back to the base funding level of 2007-08 and a partial COLA of .68%. Ms. Johnson stated that if we received COLA, depending on how it was calculated, we could receive an additional \$800K. If COLA came in time, it would be handled through the model. The revenue and allocation model schedules were once again reviewed, again with the understanding that they could increase by approximately \$800K if the COLA held through the budget approval process of the state.

The members then reviewed each of the budgets to be included in the final budget book. Ms. McNeil distributed a second copy of the categorical funds which assumed restoration of the previously recommended cuts. Depending of the final actions of the legislature and Governor, the appropriate pages will be included in the adoption budget book.

DCAS members moved consensus that the 2008-09 Adoption Budget Book be forwarded to the Board for approval.

Sue stated that she would inform the members of the final state-approved budget once the impact had been analyzed.

Dr. Corbett asked how colleges would be treated in the model regarding attainment of their productivity goals this current year. Ms. Johnson explained that those were the issues that the VP's were modeling now so that they could present viable recommendations to DCAS at the next meeting. The two issues that need to be addressed are: (1) negating the current disincentive in the model for improving productivity by providing a positive or negative impact based on attainment, or lack thereof, of productivity goals, and (2) controlling funded growth to the level provided by the state, so that one college's disproportionate growth does not harm another who grows within state-funded limits. As previously discussed this issue is expected to be discussed/modeled at least two DCAS meetings before a recommendation will be ready to be brought to the Board for modification of the model.

Next Meeting

Sue mentioned a potential conflict in the October meeting dates. The council will be informed shortly of the schedule for the remainder of the year.

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:40 a.m.