

Los Angeles Community College District

District Budget Committee Meeting Minutes

August 12, 2015

1:30-3:30 pm, Board Room, Educational Services Center

Roll Call X Indicates Present

Academic Senate

Donald Gauthier	X
Jeff Hernandez	
Joseph Perret	X
Leslie Milke	
Vacant	
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L.A. Faculty Guild

Armida Ornelas	X
Joanne Waddell	X
John McDowell*	X
John Sikora	X
Olga Shewfelt	X
Sandra Lee	X

Unions/Association

Hao Xie	X
Kathleen Becket	X
Leila Menzies	X
Luis Dorado	
Richard A. Rosich	
Velma Butler/Shirley Chen Page	X

College Presidents

Erika A. Endrijonas	X
Kathleen F. Burke	X
Larry Frank	X
Linda D. Rose	
Marvin Martinez*	X
Monte Perez	X
Otto W. Lee	
Renee Martinez	X
Robert Sprague**	X

Student Trustee Rep

Sami Sandhu	
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* DBC CO-chairs

** Interim

Also Present

Resource Persons

Alberto Román	X
Bobbi Kimble	X
Deborah La Teer	X
Jeanette Gordon	X
Maury Pearl	X
Vinh Nguyen	X

Guests

Ann Tomlinson	X
Bob Suppelsa	X
Ferris Trimble	X
Hansel Tsai	X
Mary Gallagher	X
Mike Lee	X
Rasel Menendez	X
Vi Ly	X
Violet Amrikhas	X

1. **Call to Order** by DBC Co-Chair Mr. John Mc Dowell at 1:40 pm.
2. **M/S/P Agenda** – Approved with no changes.
3. **M/S/P Approval of Minutes** – Minutes of July 15, 2015 were approved with no changes.
4. **2015-16 Final Budget Development (Gordon)**

Jeanette Gordon distributed the 2015-16 Final Budget Development documents which include:

- *Preliminary 2014-15 Ending balance* –
 - \$76.14 million which is 13.35% of expenditures. Of this amount, \$8.8 is from 2014-15 open orders.
 - City, Harbor, and Southwest ended the year with negative balances, the total of the three deficits equaling \$5.5 million.
 - Included in the ending balance are reserves from East and Pierce College, in the amount of \$25m and \$5m respectively. These college reserves are counted towards the Districts general reserve, but are obligations that need to be paid back to East and Pierce.
 - Harbor Colleges request for debt repayment deferral was discussed. Because there was no Budget and Finance Committee meeting scheduled in July, the board item was withdrawn from the August Board agenda and requested to be sent to the Budget and Finance Committee in September.
- *Distribution of \$5.7m of Full-Time Faculty Hiring Fund*
 - These numbers were recommended by ECDBC on July 28, 2015 and were distributed based on the 2014-15 P2 Credit FTES
 - Required Faculty Hiring by college:

City	8
East	13
Harbor	4
Mission	4
Pierce	9
Southwest	3
Trade Tech	7
Valley	8
West	4

At the July DBC meeting, it was recommended that the ECDBC have a study session and review of the distribution of the \$5.7m of full-time faculty hiring revenue. Two methods of distribution of these funds were discussed, FTES% based or FON % based. The vote of the ECDBC determined that it should be based on P2 credit FTES.

M/S/P- The committee approved the distribution as presented (one abstention).

- *FON Update for Fall 2015 and FON Planning Target for Fall 2016 (Dr. Román)*

Dr. Román walked the committee through the handout *entitled Fall 2016 FON projected Amounts by College*. It is projected that the District will have 76 faculty separations that will need to be rehired, 109 growth hires, and 61 AB97 (additional full time faculty hiring funding) hires for a total of 246 full time faculty hires by Fall of 2016. This amount coupled with the Fall 2015 faculty hiring of 150, brings the total faculty hiring to 400 over two years. Dr. Román stated that his current staffing levels cannot accommodate this level of hiring. This schedule will be updated pending discussions with cabinet and college presidents regarding the distribution of the 61 AB97 hires, and will be brought back to the DBC.

Dr. Román discussed the current Fall 2015 faculty hiring that is underway. The District needs a total of 159 hires to meet the obligation for Fall 2015; 116 have been cleared, 22 are in progress, and 43 are still outstanding. Of the amount outstanding Dr. Román stated we need only 21 of these outstanding hires to meet our FON and is confident that we will make it. These hires need to be completed by mid-October 2015.

- *ECDBC Recommendations of Chancellor's Proposed Use of \$57.7 million State Mandate Block Grant*

DBC reviewed the recommendations of the Chancellors proposal at its July 15, 2015 meeting and requested the ECDBC review the proposal specifically in the areas of the SIS project, Sheriff's contract, future budget shortfalls, and funding the growth rate. Based on the ECDBC review, an updated proposal was distributed for discussion. Ms. Gordon reviewed the schedule that detailed in the General Fund Unrestricted; \$58m of new resources have been distributed to the college (not including the \$57.7m of state mandate block grant dollars). Of the \$57.7m, \$1m has been distributed to the colleges for accreditation and \$18.5m has been centralized to pay the sheriff's contract. In other words, the colleges have not been assessed in 2015-16 for their share for the Sheriff, the next effect of which is that the colleges have \$18.5m is 'freed up' budget to use towards Goals 1 and 2 of the chancellor's proposal.

The Chancellor's proposal has been allocated into four strategic goals; these goals have been agreed to by the Board, Faculty and Staff. Ms. Gordon explained each of the bullet points of the Chancellors proposal. The committee discussed and debated the amounts and merits of individual proposals.

M/S/P- The committee approved the proposal with the following changes:

- \$2.5 million - Bolster support student services -move to goal 2
- \$2 million -Basic Skills Initiative- move to goal 1
- \$2 million - Develop marketing and outreach campaign-increase by \$1.5m
- \$500,000 - Develop international student outreach program-remove
- \$2 million - Fund recommendations from Blue Ribbon Campus Safety & Emergency Preparedness Committee – reduce by \$1m
- \$250,000 - Bond Program Monitor - remove
- \$115,000- Adjunct Health Benefit contribution - add

- *Districtwide Campus Safety Funding- Sheriff's Contract*

Previously, the Colleges have been responsible for paying their direct costs (based on the number of sheriff officers assigned to the college) of the Sherriff's contract. It has been proposed that the Sheriff's Contract be centralized. The effect of the decentralization varies among colleges and typically changes such as this would be transitioned over three years; however, since the colleges received \$58m, in new ongoing resources, it is proposed to use \$18.5m of one time dollars for a one year transition. The colleges will be assessed for the sheriff's contract in the 2016-17 year.

- *Other*
 - Cancellation of August 26th meeting

5. DBC Recommendations to the Chancellor - None

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm.

*Future Meetings: Sept 23, Oct 28, Dec 2, Jan 20, Feb 17,
March 16, April 20, May 18, June 29*