

**LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES - BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE
Educational Services Center
Board Room – First Floor
770 Wilshire Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90017
Wednesday, April 29, 2015
11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.**

Committee: Ernest H. Moreno, Chair; Mike Eng, Vice Chair; Scott J. Svonkin, Alternate. Absent: Steve Veres, Member

Trustee Moreno called the meeting to order at 11:51 a.m.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS

None.

REPORTS/RECOMMENDATIONS/ACTION

Chancellor Recommendation on Set Aside for Future Costs

A document entitled "Budget Planning Priorities" was distributed.

Ms. Jeanette L. Gordon, Chief Financial Officer, indicated that the Chancellor's Recommendation on Set Aside for Future Costs has been discussed in the Executive District Budget Committee (EDBC), District Budget Committee (DBC), and the Chancellor's Cabinet. She continued to discuss the document with respect to the 2014-15 Fiscal Year Potential Increases in the State Funding for the Los Angeles Community College District (LACCD) regarding the Unrestricted General Fund (for General Operations), Restricted General Fund, Other State Funded (one-time and ongoing), and the Legislative Advocate Office (LAO) Forecast – Potential Increase in Funding (May Revision).

She also discussed the Chancellor's Recommendation for the 2015-2016 Allocation of New State Funds, excluding Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) and Funded Growth Revenue with respect to the \$45 million New Proposed State Funds in the Governor's Proposed Budget Estimates for the LACCD.

Trustee Svonkin requested that there be a new process that would include the Budget & Finance Committee to be part of the discussions for the allocation of new money. He indicated that his priorities are student success and campus safety, which are not included in the Chancellor's recommendation.

With respect to the \$1.5 million for SIS Training and \$1 million to fund ongoing accreditation planning activities, Trustee Svonkin expressed his concern that these expenditures are ongoing and should have been included in the budget and not be funded with new money.

A question and answer session was conducted with respect to various issues of concern regarding the ongoing accreditation planning activities and expenditures.

Trustee Moreno expressed his concern with respect to various issues regarding the proposed allocation of the new money. He stated that the Chancellor's recommendation do not address the Board of Trustees goals for student success. He requested the following and that this item be brought back to the Committee for further discussion:

- That the Chancellor revisit his recommendations and develop a list of recommendations that meet the Committee's interest with respect to student success
- A description of how the new money will be spent.
- That ongoing and one-time money be identified.
- That an explanation of the \$1 million to fund ongoing accreditation planning activities be provided.

Fiscal Viability-Framework of Indicators/Proposed Goals and Target for 2015-16

A document entitled "2014-15 Higher Education Trailer Bill (SB 860)" was distributed.

Ms. Gordon discussed the fiscal liability portion of the 2014-15 Higher Education Trailer Bill (SB 860) with respect to the proposed goals and targets for FY 2015-16 regarding the required goals and the optional goals.

A question and answer session was conducted regarding the ending unrestricted General Fund balance as a percentage of total expenditures.

Trustee Moreno requested that with respect to the 50 Percent Law, an analysis of compliance be presented at the next Committee meeting.

Trustee Eng requested a projection of the required State mandate for the Fiscal Viability-Framework of Indicators/Proposed Goals and Target for 2015-16.

Nonresident Tuition Update

A document entitled "LACCD NonResident FTES/Tuition by Colleges, 2009-10 through 2014-15" was distributed.

Ms. Gordon indicated that the document is informational only.

Trustee Moreno requested that the document be revised for accuracy. He indicated that the information for the international students is inconsistent from what was previously reported with respect to the headcount. He expressed his concern that the LACCD is way below Santa Monica College in terms of numbers for international student enrollment.

Other Business

None.

FUTURE DISUSSSION/AGENDA ITEMS

- Update on Cost Savings from Master Agreement (Chancellor's Directive #42)
- Retirement Incentive

FUTURE BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING DATES

- May 13, 2015

NEW BUSINESS

None.

SUMMARY – NEXT MEETING

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no objection, the meeting was adjourned at 3:07 p.m.