

DISTRICT CONSULTATION COUNCIL
January 22, 2024

SUMMARY

MEMBERS PRESENT: Yasmine Andrawis, Byron D. Clift Breland, Jennifer Carey, Treisa Cassens, Damon de la Cruz, Jean Foster, Geoff Hurst, Elaine Loayza, Kathleen McAlister, Cynthia Olivo, Jennifer Oo, Jeremy Peters, Valentina Purtell, Jesus Ramirez Jr., Irma Ramos, Jeanette Rodriguez, Pamela Spence, Gabrielle Stanco (for Cherry Li-Bugg), Kai Stearns, Scott Thayer, and Fred Williams.

VISITORS: Danielle Davy and Flavio Medina-Martin.

Chancellor Byron D. Clift Breland called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m. and led a round of introductions to welcome Scott Thayer and Flavio Medina-Martin.

MEETING SUMMARY

Summary: The summary of the November 27, 2023 meeting was approved.

STRATEGIC GOALS & PLANNING

Governor's 2024-25 Budget Proposal: On January 10, 2024, the Governor introduced the 2024-25 budget proposal. The Joint Analysis provided by the State Chancellor's Office and an economic overview provided by School Services of California share some insight on the proposal. Fred Williams, Vice Chancellor of Finance & Facilities, conducted a presentation which provided an overview of the 2024-25 Governor's Budget. He highlighted a projected state revenue shortfall of \$38 billion by Governor Newsom compared to the \$68 billion by the Legislative Analyst's Office, a Prop 98 minimum guarantee that's been reduced by \$15.2 billion due to lower revenues, and use of the Rainy-Day Fund to keep community colleges fairly whole. The good news for education is that no mid-year cuts, deferrals, or program rollbacks are expected, however, the Student Centered Funding Formula (SCFF) is barely growing due to the meager COLA of .76%, and no restorations of prior reductions to student retention and enrollment funds or deferred maintenance.

Since no changes were made to the apportionment hold harmless provision, the District's Resource Allocation Model will see the establishment of the funding floor in 2024-25. Vice Chancellor Williams also noted that the PERS pension rate is increasing 1.12%, from 26.68% to 27.80% and projected to rise to 30.30% by 2027-28 and a possible 1% deficit factor for 2023-24. He also highlighted an increase in FTES for the 2023-24 P-1 figures which reflected a 7.83% increase for Cypress College, a 10.04% increase for Fullerton College, and a 30.03% increase for NOCE which resulted in an 11.43% total increase for the District.

During the discussion, members inquired if the State was entertaining new proposals for capital improvement projects and requested a copy of the presentation.

Vice Chancellor Williams noted that District and campus staff will attend the Budget Workshop on January 17 and will present additional information at the next DCC meeting.

Educational & Facilities Master Plan Refresh 2023: The original 2020 Educational and Facilities Master Plan (EFMP) was being concluded right at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. In the document we outlined a plan to revisit the EFMP in 3 years to better understand how the pandemic has reshaped our educational goals and standards. Therefore, the District contracted with the original EFMP consultants to review and refresh the 2020 EFMP. The purpose of the Refresh is to review and assess the changing educational landscape, post pandemic and to update the facilities construction priorities as a result, and update language and initiatives that were outdated or needed revision.

DCC conducted its first reading of the Refresh draft in November 2023 and the final draft was presented for review and approval. Gabrielle Stanco, District Director, Research, Planning, & Data Management, shared that the steering committee met to address the comments and concerns that were previously shared and to draft a more formal version to move forward with. The EFMP Refresh is scheduled for review by the Board on January 23, with an action item planned for February.

During the discussion, Cynthia Olivo requested a correction to the document which currently indicates that Fullerton College Building 2000 will be demolished which is not a decision that has been made by the College, but rather a recommendation from the consultants.

Chancellor Byron D. Clift Breland thanked Vice Chancellor Cherry Li-Bugg and the entire team for their work on the refresh.

There was consensus to approve the EFMP Refresh.

POLICY

Revised BP 2015, Student Members; Revised BP 2740, Board Professional Development; Revised BP 2745, Board Self-Evaluation; and Revised AP 2745, Board Self-Evaluation: These Chapter 2 policies were revised to reflect recommendations resulting from the Board of Trustees retreat to address matters related to student trustee membership, Board professional development, and Board self-evaluation.

- BP 2015, Student Members: DCC previously reached consensus on the revisions, but this policy returned for review the of the Board’s additional recommendations.
- BP 2740, Board Professional Development: This policy includes a recommendation to include Board meeting agendas to the list of orientation program topics for new trustees and student trustees, and to include the collective bargaining process as a topic only for new trustees.
- BP/AP 2745, Board Self-Evaluation: These policies include recommendations to move the Board annual evaluation process so that the evaluation instrument is distributed and due in March (instead of April) and shared and agendized in April (instead of May).

During the discussion, members agreed to include “student organization” to sections 1.0 and 3.0 in BP 2015.

There was consensus to approve AP 2745 and post it on the District website and to approve BP 2015, BP 2740, and BP 2745 and forward them to the Board for their consideration.

Revised AP 3560, Alcoholic Beverages: AP 3560, Alcoholic Beverages was revised to include District owned, rented, and leased facilities to the listing of “special events” held off-campus where alcoholic beverages are permitted with prior Board approval. **There was consensus to approve AP 3560 and post it on the District website.**

OTHER

Future Items: Kathleen McAlister requested that the program discontinuance workgroup be agendaized for a future meeting, and Cynthia Olivo asked that DCC review the academic probation policies in order to remove all probationary labels with deficit language.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.