

COUNCIL ON BUDGET AND FACILITIES

November 14, 2016

APPROVED SUMMARY

Members present: Terry Cox, Adam Gottdank, Jolena Grande, Tina Johannsen, Cherry Li-Bugg, Elaine Loayza, Rod Lusch, Sandra Palmer, Irma Ramos, Justin Richardson, Pete Snyder, Kashu Vyas, and Fred Williams. **Members**

Absent: Karen Cant, Rodrigo Garcia, Richard Fee, Ian Kolaja, and Tanya Washington.

Guests: Josh Ashenmiller

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m., by Chair Irma Ramos.

I. **Summary:** The summary of the October 10, 2016, meeting was accepted as submitted.

II. **Budget Update:** Mr. Fred Williams distributed and discussed two Community College Update articles:

- *2017-18 System Budget Request Approved*, identifying the top funding requests for community colleges:
 - ✓ 2% access/growth in FTES;
 - ✓ 1% COLA;
 - ✓ \$200 million for base funding increase;
 - ✓ \$100 million for full-time faculty (FTF) hiring
 - ✓ \$25 million for part-time faculty compensation & part-time faculty health insurance programs;
 - ✓ \$25 million for Veterans Resource Centers.
- *"Is a Revenue Downturn Coming?"* At the last ACBO conference there were mixed messages regarding the economic forecast. Right now the thinking is that the budget is very stable. However, taxes are not coming into the numbers that we have seen in previous years where we were quite a bit over the forecast; right now we are under. It is something we need to keep an eye on but it is not something to panic about.
- Staff will be at the Governor's Workshop in January.
- Ms. Kashmiria Vyas pointed out that the second paragraph of the "Revenue Downturn" article addresses the October projections and how the components of taxes break out noting that personal income tax revenues, sales & use tax revenues, and corporation tax revenues are the three components we are discussing here. A downward spiral is being projected because some components are not keeping up and we should anticipate seeing a downturn. That was the message and that is what we put in the Proposed Budget.
- Mr. Williams noted that Proposition 55 is not new revenue but an extension of taxes being collected as part of Proposition 30 sales taxes phasing out. While it is not new revenue, it keeps us from having to make reductions.
- Proposition 51 is significant for us and one we didn't think was going to pass. Projects that we expect to receive state funding include the FC 300 & 500 buildings and the CC SEM and Fine Arts buildings.
- Dr. Li-Bugg stated we were allocated \$200 million system-wide for the Strong Workforce program and it was a 40-60 split between a regional share (40%) and a local share (60%). The regional share of the Workforce Development area is organized into 8 different regions and the Strong Workforce program for the LA and Orange counties are two separate entities so Orange County got its own regional share and that's what the meeting today is about here at the Anaheim Campus. We are having the third regional planning meeting and are trying to narrow down the number of projects that we are going to be doing using this money as a region. But locally the District was allocated \$3.7 million out of that \$200 million for Strong Workforce. We organized a Strong Workforce Summit on October 21 and we have outlined the process of allocating the local shares to the District. Proposals will be vetted and conclude at the campus level and forwarded to her office for review by a District-wide work group. Cypress College faculty

and staff appointments have been made; waiting on Fullerton College & the School of Continuing Education appointments. We hope the work group will be able to meet in December before passing those forward to Chancellor's Staff. The local plan is due by the end of January and we should be able to meet the due date. We are proposing 30 projects and will narrow it down to six or eight projects.

III. **Bond Update:** Mr. Fred Williams reported:

Cypress College:

- The Architect for Veterans' Center was approved by the Board to begin the design process on the expansion of the VRC/SAC building using the Construction Manager at Risk delivery method.

Fullerton College:

- The first community meeting for the EIR will be held this Thursday and we are expecting standing room only. Although the Sherbeck Field improvements are not part of the bond program, it is included on the projects list;
- The hiring of the Projects Manager job has closed.

Anaheim Campus:

- With Proposition 51 passing, we expect a significant amount of resources coming in over the next three or four years;
- SCE would like to build a structure to keep rain/sun off of students outside of the Culinary Arts Patio area. This would make the area useable year-round as a gathering point and may be part of our sustainability plan;
- There are some minor projects including improvements to the Student Center and some smaller projects for the Information Technology and Counseling staff.

IV. **Other Items:** None.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2:39 p.m.