



**Board of Trustees Budget Committee (BBC)**  
SBCCD Board Room, 114 S. Del Rosa Drive, San Bernardino CA 92408

## Meeting Minutes – January 18, 2018

**Members Present** – Gloria Macías Harrison, Donna Ferracone, Joseph Williams

**Members Absent** – None

**Staff Present** – Jose Torres, Larry Strong, Mike Strong, Angel Rodriguez, Jeremiah Gilbert

### I. Welcome & Introductions

Gloria called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. No introductions were necessary.

### II. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

### IV. Current Topics (*discussed out of sequence*)

#### **B. California Promise Program vs. California Promise Grant** (*discussed out of sequence*)

This topic was discussed first pending the arrival of Joseph and Jose. Angel distributed a handout entitled *California College Promise Grant Formerly known as the Board of Governors Fee Waiver*. The handout was discussed as was the public's confusion regarding the fact that the BOG Waiver does not equate to 'free' community college. Gloria asked that talking points be developed which explain what a BOG waiver is, who qualifies, and what it covers. She advised that she needs this by month end. Donna commented that it is essential students and their families understand the additional costs that a student encounters such as books, health fees, etc. Jeremiah referred committee members to page nine of the packet and explained the data regarding the number of units SBCCD students are taking.

Angel confirmed that the BOG Waiver, which is based in large part on demonstration of financial need, will remain the same under its new name of California College Promise Grant. Students do not need to take a minimum number of units to qualify.

The California College Promise, however, is a new program based on AB 19 which will provide funding to waive fees for one academic year for first-time students who are enrolled in 12 or more units. Although details about this funding are still emerging, Jose commented that discussions at yesterday's State Budget Workshop indicated that administration of the program would be locally driven and could include books, fees, etc. Joseph commented that this might be an opportunity to get industry specific and partner with local employers. Jose estimated that, based on the Governor's initial budget allocation for this program of \$46 million, SBCCD would receive approximately \$500,000.

In response to a question from Gloria, Angel and Jose confirmed that the District's current advocacy group provides weekly legislation updates. They will have these forwarded to the Board of Trustees.

### **III. Approval of Minutes**

**Donna made a motion to approve the minutes of December 14, 2017, which Joseph seconded. There was no discussion and the motion was approved by the following vote.**

Ayes: Gloria, Donna, Joseph  
Noes: None  
Abstentions: None  
Absent: None

### **IV. Current Topics**

#### **A. State Budget Update**

Jose referred to page seven of the packet which was an update created prior to yesterday's state budget workshop. He advised that SBCCD needs to continue budgeting conservatively for a potential economic downturn. There is a lot of uncertainty at the state level about the future. He commented that the COLA increase is good and hopes it is not recalculated as the budget develops. He clarified that COLA changes the base rate and the FTES, is ongoing, and does not correlate to a salary increase.

Jose then handed out information on the Proposed New Funding Formula, which had been discussed at length at the workshop. He promised to keep everyone updated as information emerges.

#### **C. Enrollment (Stability Status)**

BBC members reviewed the Stabilization Chart. Joseph expressed a desire to see the FTES numbers in terms of dollars in order to visualize their impact on the budget. Currently the campus presidents present the enrollment reports while the Budget Report, which shows actual vs. budgeted revenues and expenditures, appears as an information item from Business & Fiscal Services. Jose advised he will look into incorporating enrollment numbers into the Budget Report. In the meantime, he will arrange for the information to be presented together for February's agenda.

Gloria asked for clarification of the color-coding on the campus FTES reports. Mike explained that the green indicates the college's assertion that it is trending to meet the goal.

#### **D. District Support Services Plan**

Jose reviewed with the BBC the 2017-18 District Support Services Plan, which defines the mission, function, core values, and direction for the Human Resources, Facilities and Business & Fiscal Services areas that report to him under the current pilot program. This document was well received and the BBC appreciated the information.

### **V. Updates (as necessary)**

#### **A. Prioritized Board Directives for the 2018-19 Budget Board Item**

BBC members reviewed the board item on budget directives, which had been discussed at their December meeting. It was recommended that the item be placed on the February 8 Board of Trustees agenda as a first read. This will allow the Board to discuss the priorities and

bring them back for final approval at its February 22 study session and still meet the requirement that directives be received prior to March 1.

**B. KVCR Transition Scope, Cost & Timeline**

The update was reviewed. Donna questioned the comment regarding maximizing KVCR/FNX staff growth. Jose advised that there is a desire to research all the possibilities so that information is available if it and when required.

**C. Solar Electric Procurement Project**

BBC members reviewed the update. Joseph commented that this project was exciting and SBCCD should publicize it.

**D. BOT Budget**

The update was reviewed without comment.

**E. Bookstore**

Jose gave a verbal report on the bookstore. Business Services is finalizing the contract with Follett. The transition is scheduled to occur over spring break with March 9 being the last day that SBCCD will run the bookstore.

**VI. Future Topics**

No future topics were discussed.

**VII. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for February 8, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.