History

Upon adoption of the 2015-16 Final Budget in September 2015, the Board of Trustees (BOT) voted to form an ad hoc budget committee to work with the Vice Chancellor of Business & Fiscal Services to promote clarity and provide a forum for thought-provoking conversations regarding the SBCCD budget and budgeting processes. The ad hoc committee met eight times during 2015-16 and discussed many topics important to SBCCD, including the Resource Allocation Model (RAM), the Fifty-Percent Law, enrollment management, the Faculty Obligation Number (FON), reserve levels, and budget directives.

Formation

On July 14, 2016, the Board of Trustees, on the basis of Board Policy 2220, established the BBC as a standing committee necessary to assist the BOT in performing its duties as the governing body of SBCCD.

Charge

The SBCCD Board of Trustees Budget Committee exists as a standing, advisory committee comprised of less than a quorum of Board members and is subject to the California Public Meetings Brown Act. The committee is charged with:

- Increasing the efficiency of the Board of Trustees by performing time-consuming research on its behalf.
- Improving clarity by providing a platform for detailed questions not conducive to the flow of monthly business meetings.
- Promoting transparency of the SBCCD budgeting process and fiscal matters through detailed discussion of these topics in an open forum.
- Fostering an environment of understanding by communicating findings and formulating final recommendations to the Board of Trustees.