



GROSSMONT-CUYAMACA
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

DISTRICTWIDE STRATEGIC PLANNING & BUDGET COUNCIL

MEETING NOTES – FEBRUARY 14, 2005

ATTENDING: D. Agosto, J. Austin, J. Buckley, C. Chiriboga, D. Colli, D. Fitzsimons, J. Ford, T. Gilson, M. Herman (for Beasley), B. Lastimado, G. Perri, S. Rearic, A. Satele, P. Setzer, D. Simms, B. Smith, B. Tiffany, R. Walker, P. White

ABSENT: M. Amov, T. Martinez, D. Quittner, C. Slusher, O. Suarez, J. Wales

RECORDER: P. Tillery

Strategic Planning

D. Agosto distributed and briefly discussed the “Report Card” for the *Districtwide Strategic Plan 2001-2004*. He explained that the report card provides an evaluation of the Plan’s success.

Additionally, Agosto said that a timeline for the 2005-2010 Plan is being developed and would be distributed at the next meeting of the Council on March 14.

2004/05 State Budget Update

J. Austin distributed and reviewed the Community College League *Legislative Update*. Austin explained that the Governor has removed four of his appointees to the STRS Board because of their opposition votes last week to his proposal to transfer \$469 million in annual STRS contributions from the State to school and community college districts.

Austin informed the members that the 2004-05 *First Principal Apportionment (P-1)* has not been completed by the State Chancellor’s Office due to computer programming problems, and because Theresa Tena, who prepared the report in the past, is no longer with the Chancellor’s Office.

Austin also discussed challenges for the new year (2005/06):

- Meeting FTES Growth goals
- PFE backfill – should it be recognized, or placed in reserve? PFE funds are not certain; if funds were recognized, but then not received, budgets would have to be reduced.
- Tentative Budget COLA – Governor proposed 3.93%, but actual number will not be known until May revise.
- GASB 45 – requires that government agencies recognize the liability for future retiree health benefits, but does not require that the liability be fully funded. However, a plan must be established for potential funding. Austin reported that an actuarial study is currently being prepared that will provide cost projections regarding the impact of implementing GASB 45. He added that the study should be completed within approximately two weeks. After receipt of the actuarial study, workshops will be scheduled with the various bargaining units to discuss the impact of GASB 45.

2005/06 Budget Preparation – Current Status

S. Rearic provided the current status of the 2005/06 budget preparation:

- FTES numbers have been run, and that the next step is to prepare a forecast to the end of the year. The FTES forecast is expected to be issued by February 28.
- Payroll records will be rolled to the new year; estimates for new year are on target for February 25.
- Because United Faculty bargaining has not been settled, faculty salaries will be held at current year level until bargaining is complete (a holding account will be established for bargaining.)

2005/06 Budget Preparation – Next Steps

Rearic reported:

- A holding account for implementation of GASB 45 will be established in the Districtwide budget site.
- At the March 14 Council meeting, income estimates (Nonresident, Dedicated) and Districtwide budget will be reviewed.

Review of FTES Goal Setting Process

Austin provided a brief review of the FTES goal setting process. He explained that based on calculations from the colleges, an estimate is developed for Base FTES; added to the Base is an estimate for funded growth (Base X State Growth percentage = funded Growth).

Austin added that if other districts don't meet their Growth goals, and if GCCCD has unfunded FTES, then we could be eligible for one-time funding.

Potential 2004/05 Challenge – Growth Income

Austin explained that the colleges are budgeted this year for total growth, and that we should know shortly if CAP has been met.

Review of the Charge of the Districtwide Strategic Planning & Budget Council

The charge of the Council was distributed, but discussion of this item was postponed to the March 14 meeting of the Council. A member requested that the charge of the Districtwide Executive Council (DEC) and the Districtwide Coordinating Educational Council (DCEC) also be reviewed at the March 14 meeting.

Update – Funding Allocation Task Force

President Perri provided a brief update regarding the first meeting of the Funding Allocation Task Force. She reported that the monthly meeting schedule, through May 2005, was established, and the ground rules of the Task Force were discussed.

Perri also reported that the Task Force will ask the Governing Board to reaffirm their vision and values for the District, to serve as basic assumptions in the development of an Income Allocation Formula. Additionally, a Task Force subcommittee was formed to look at other districts' funding models.

Items From the Floor

- Austin provided a brief report on *Prop R* matters. He reported that approximately \$175,000 of *Prop R* funds were saved by obtaining designation of Grossmont College Drive as a public street from the City of El Cajon.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the DSP&BC will be Monday, March 14, at 2:00 p.m., in the Museum at Cuyamaca.