**Subject:** Industry Driven Regional Grant Funds (IDRC)

**Overview:**

The Occupational & Noncredit Programs department participated in an IDRC grant.

This grant is a collaborative between Cuyamaca College and Palomar College to provide education and training for the water distribution industry throughout the region. The purpose is to expand and promote the region's industry-driven water technology education programs. This is consistent with the mission and the strategic priorities of the California Community Colleges Economic and Workforce Development Program as it will maximize the training resources within the region and will effectively market those training resources in all sectors of this industry. This project supports the mission of the California Community Colleges' economic development program to promote the community colleges as the primary providers of the training needs of business and industry.

**Discussion:**

These funds will be used to develop four, four-hour training modules for part-time faculty working in the water and wastewater industry. Additionally, faculty will receive a stipend for attending the training. The Director of Occupational & Noncredit Programs will be the administrator of the funds.

**Financial Implications:**

None.

**Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Governing Board authorize acceptance of these funds.