

BUDGET COMMITTEE

MINUTES

September 11, 2012

A meeting of the Budget Committee was held September 11, 2012. The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m. by Vice President of Finance and Administrative Services, Ron Ballesteros-Perez.

Roll Call

Members Present: Ron Ballesteros-Perez, Rico Bianchi, Debbi Claypool, Kathy Davis, Johnathan

Farmer, Aaron Holmes, Greg Larson, Teresa Laughlin, Shannon Lienhart, Jackie Martin, Pam McDonough, Christina Moore, Jamie Moss, John

Tortarolo, Mark Vernoy, Chris Wick

Members Absent: Berta Cuaron, Anel Gonzalez

Guests: Phyllis Laderman, Brandi Taveuveu

Recorder: Suzanne Sebring

I. Approval of Minutes:

MSC (Vernoy/Moss) to approve the minutes of August 28, 2012 as presented. Christina Moore abstained from approving the minutes as she was not at the August 28th meeting.

Minutes will be posted on the Palomar webpage as follows: http://www.palomar.edu/adminserv/budget/BC2011-2012.html

II. Action - First Reading

No first reading action items to discuss.

III. Action - Second Reading

No second reading action items to discuss.

IV. Budget Information/Discussion

A. Proposition 30

VP Perez referred to a handout distributed from the SSC Community College Update indicating the latest poll results for Proposition 30.

B. ACCJC Standard IIID Update

VP Perez reviewed information from the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges with the committee highlighting the changes to Standard IIID from the version adopted in June 2002 to the version reviewed in June 2012.

C. Governing Board Reserve Calculation

VP Perez tabled this item until the next meeting.

D. Fund 41/RDA

VP Perez spoke briefly about Fund 41/RDA. A question was posed to VP Perez asking if Fund 41 could be used for salary/benefits. The District is getting a legal opinion on this matter. VP Perez will bring a handout to the next meeting with further clarification.

E. FY12-13 Budget Presentation

VP Perez shared the Budget Presentation slides that will be shown at the Board Meeting tonight with the committee and took questions/comments.

Teresa Laughlin asked if the additional \$1.6 million dollars that went toward health benefits were included in the tentative budget. She was informed the monies were included in the tentative budget, but not in the 2011-2012 adopted budget.

Pam McDonough asked if classes that were cut during the summer affect the projected FTES apportionment cuts if Prop 30 fails. VP Tortarolo responded that those cuts are reflected in the current projected FTES apportionment (assuming that Prop 30 succeeds).

Pam McDonough asked if administrators and faculty salaries are combined in the presentation under the 1000 line item. Phyllis Laderman responded that they are required to be combined by the state, but she could see the breakdown on the Multi-Year Budget spreadsheet distributed at the last Budget Committee meeting.

V. Other

VP Perez opened the meeting for questions/comments.

Aaron Holmes commented that the way the budget is presented is worst case scenario, rather than best case scenario, expressing that he would appreciate hearing about both the positive and negative outlooks.

VP Perez clarified that he is presenting the budget the way it is right now and expressed the desire to work together to find budget solutions that will provide a more positive picture.

Teresa Laughlin questioned the accuracy of the budget projections and asked where the savings are represented for faculty/staff that have retired and not been replaced.

VP Perez responded that perhaps the committee could take a closer look at the line-by-line budget, rather than the summary level, in the future to gain a better understanding of how the budget is formulated.

There being no further business, MSC (Claypool/Wick) to adjourn the meeting at 2:58 p.m.

NEXT BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING
September 25, 2012
2:00 p.m.
Location: MD 155-C