

Meeting Minutes

December 9, 2010, 2:00 p.m., PDC 104

Members Present

Kellie Barnett, Yendis Battle (for Larry Cicalone), Martha Dominguez, Rebecca Gamboa, Jim Hansen, Matthew Isaac, Cheryl Marshall, Charlie Ng, Penny Ongoco, Karen Peterson, Scott Rippey, Mike Strong, Steve Sutorus, Margaret Sweeney

Welcome & Introductions

The meeting was opened and self-introductions made.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were approved with two corrections.

Update on State Budget

Charlie distributed an article from the LA Times stating that it appears Governor Elect Brown will be looking to the voters to solve the budget problems this coming year. According to the article, Brown will be proposing a budget by January 10 that most likely contains a series of cuts to address the \$25-28 billion deficit over the next 18 months. These cuts could be restored pending voter approval of tax increases, which could be offered in a special election in June. The bottom line is that we can expect some cuts for this year and next.

Review & Evaluation of Funding (Federal, State, Local)

Committee members received a copy of the General Fund – All Fund Budget for the entire District, which is pages 9-10 from the 2010-11 Final Budget. Each line item was reviewed and it was explained that 81xx programs represent Federal funds (which are all categorical), 86xx programs represent State revenue, and 88xx programs are for local income. The 89xx accounts are for inter- and intra-fund transfers when money is going from one place into another.

Review District Budget

Charlie distributed and reviewed the Budget Expenditure Summary Report, which is presented to the Board of Trustees each month. The report serves as a good indicator for those accounts that have regular activity. Mike questioned why some expense budgets are larger than their corresponding revenue budgets. The response was that some accounts contain money that has been carried forward from the previous year. Although the money is available for spending, it is not counted as revenue in the current year. A dip into the Fund Balance could also cause an expense budget that is bigger than the revenue budget. This report will be reviewed monthly by the Committee.

Parking Citation Revenue

The Parking Fee Committee, which was established to evaluate District parking rates, has requested the Budget Committee consider whether or not to dedicate parking citation revenue to the parking lot fund, thereby making it restricted, or to leave it in the General Fund as unrestricted. Mike mentioned the concern of the Parking Fee Committee that when members of the District Assembly voted to raise the citation amount, they were under the incorrect impression that the revenue went into the parking fund. Total District income from the citations is \$110,000 and the fees collected are site specific.

The Budget Committee decided to consider this item when it assesses the Resource Allocation Model. Cheryl suggested that the Committee look at how much money is going to each campus, and the percentage increase of the parking fines.

Budget Calendar

Charlie reviewed the annual Budget Calendar which will be presented to the Board on January 13, 2011. The committee approved the calendar with no changes.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 13, 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in PDC 104.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned.

Kelly Goodrich, Recorder