

DISTRICT BUDGET COMMITTEE (DBC)

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MEETING MINUTES 01/21/2021, 2 p.m.

Members Present: Jim Buysse, Larry Strong, Shari Blackwell, Tony Papa, Rosemarie Hansen, Sophia Zamora, Brandi Bailes, Josh Robles, Mike Strong, Luke Bixler, Davena Burns-Peters, Cassie Thomas, Laura Van Genderen, Diana Rodriguez, Girija Raghavan, Deanna Krehbiel, , Scott Stark, Kevin Horan, Kristina Hannon

Members Absent: Steve Sutorus, Rania Hamdy, Jackson Bottorff, Meridyth McLaren

A. Welcome & Introductions

Jim Buysse convened the meeting at 2:01 p.m.

B. Approval of Minutes of 11/19/2020

Mike Strong made a motion, which Brandi Bailes seconded, to approve the minutes of 11/19/2020. The motion was unanimously approved.

C. Current Business

1. State Budget Update

Jim made a presentation on the State budget. He advised that the outlook is much better than anticipated. A lot of the funds are one-time instead of ongoing. He advised that the budget proposed did not consider the significant funding coming from the Federal Government. Therefore, there is anticipation that some of the community college funding may be shifted. We will still experience deferrals, even in view of the better than anticipated outlook.

Jim advised that the situation is very fluid. Projections are challenging out to 2024-25. There is also concern about strings being attached to the COLA regarding development of an equity plan, but details are very sketchy. COLA is supposed to help with increased costs. Diana Rodriguez asked about the equity plans already being submitted, and Jim reiterated that the language doesn't even talk about what or to whom the report would be submitted.

Sophia Zamora asked if the Federal financial aid would supplant the proposed state dollars. The answer to this is unknown, at this time. It was clarified that this decision would be made at the State level, and not by anyone at SBCCD. It was also commented that it is not unusual for the State to reduce funding if a district has income from another source, such as property taxes.

Mike asked if SBCCD will be using the percentages in the budget in the terms of COLA. Jim indicated that this conversation had not yet taken place. Jim advised that we will

have to consider the COLA as it is now, however, things are a little trickier than normal. Initially, it seems that if a district didn't meet the State's expectations, it wouldn't get the money.

2. Board's State Budget Priorities

Jim shared these priorities which went to the Board's Legislative and Finance Committees in January.

3. Board's Budget Directives

Jim advised that the Board annually adopts directives for the development of SBCCD's budget. Staff had proposed a slightly lower general fund reserve balance range because of the COVID-19 related poorer than normal economic outlook. The Board Finance Committee had directed, however, that the range of 10-15% be maintained. The directives will go to the full Board in February.

D. Updates (as necessary)

1. SBCCD Budget Process

Larry advised the DSO departments have developed their budgets for 2021-22. The numbers are being reviewed and the revised budget will be presented at the DBC next month. This will allow the campuses to see DSO budget detail and enable Mike and Scott Stark to have the shared cost figures.

2. SBCCD Cash Flow

There is a cash flow forecast which can be viewed in the Board materials every month. Deferrals are supposed to start in February and continue through June. The hope is that they will be paid back in July. SBCCD will be covering the deferrals with temporary borrowings from different funds such as the Capital Outlay fund. You can reach out to Fiscal Services with questions. One of the best tools for watching these transactions is to look at the monthly Board agenda.

E. Future Business

Additions to the agenda can be submitted to Jim.

1. Commercial Property Profit & Loss

2. Discussion of Resource Allocation After 2020-21

These topics were not discussed.

F. Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled for 2/18/2021 at 2 p.m. via Zoom. The meeting adjourned at 2:43 p.m.