BUDGET DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Meeting Notes December 16, 2009
(Accepted at the Meeting of 1-20-10)

Members Present: Adam O’Connor, Dan Willoughby, Marcus Wilson, Chrystal Van Beynen, Sharon Kelly, Cyndi Grein

Absent: Ken Collins; Tyler Speer

Meeting commenced at 2:08 p.m.

Meeting Notes from 11/18/09 were accepted.

Follow-Up: Tech Division Position Vacancy—Adam informed the committee that Chancellor’s Staff denied this position request. Adam indicated that this could have been a timing issue—with a new president and mid year cuts possibly still coming. He thinks that Chancellor’s Staff is more concerned with categorical budgets at this time. For 09/10 we can give an updated request for funding needs in the categoricals from the district. However in 10/11 they would like to see a plan for the college to cover any overage so that we won’t have to cut positions which could require offsetting vacancy savings. Marcus Wilson asked if we couldn’t do an “in house” transfer into this position. Do we have the authority to make that decision? Adam will bring up this question at president’s staff. Chancellor’s Staff will be taking a harder line on positions.

Vehicle Replacement Recommendation (yellow)—Adam reviewed the handout that indicated how we came up with the original numbers for vehicle replacement. It was about $100,000 per year that was recommended to PAC originally. This year they intend on moving two Class I vehicles to Class IV and surplusing the two Class IV vehicles currently on the list. He will be doing some further investigation regarding handicapped van but believes this can wait at least one more year. They would also like to purchase three electric carts, eliminating three gas carts. Adam indicated that we did not need to take action on this issue today but will be addressing this when we return in January. It was suggested that we wait for the January revise from the governor. Do we know if Cypress College is planning on purchasing vehicles? It was decided that we treat this issue as a first read today.

Report to PAC—Adam wanted the committee members to have a copy of the report, for their files, that was presented to PAC.
**District PowerPoint Budget Update**—Adam reviewed the presentation. Do these figures reflect that if we have across the board cuts—$1 billion equals $1 million. Adam feels it may not come to the point where we will have lay offs until 11/12 unless drastic cuts take place in the state budget.

Adam also shared the latest handout from DPC showing the district-wide budget over the next several years. He pointed out that the salary line goes up each year and there is a possibility that we might add 11 faculty positions next year district wide. It is also possible that we would have further workload reductions. Dan asked if there was paperwork regarding the calculation of workloads available. Adam indicated that this process was very detailed and would bring back what he has. Without additional revenue the budget picture just gets worse each year. Discussion ensued about the number of classified and managers that retire or leave the district each year and the cost effect. People could be moved around. Adam will bring back a breakdown of current vacancies district wide—managers and classified.

**ARRA Application**—This is a grant proposal that Ron Beeler is putting together for the district that would potentially save is $1-$1.5 million a year in utility costs. This would store energy underground. It may also propose solar panels on various buildings, including adding another layer to the parking structure. Adam stated that Fullerton College has “neighbor issues” and that addition all of these solar panels will most likely be an issue for us. The application currently is keeping it in but it is not clear whether we could move forward with this. There will be ongoing maintenance costs that are not being addressed at this point and they could not address these issues when asked.

**TRIO Grant**—This is a grant that Toni DuBois put together with the intention of replacing some of the categorical EOPS monies that have been cut. Adam just wanted the committee to be aware of the grant and the fact that it includes funding for a Special Project Manager and a classified administrative staff member.

Adjourned at 3:15 p.m.