Wednesday, December 10, 2014 - 3:00 p.m.

Board room

Final

Summary Notes

MEMBERS PRESENT
Sue Alton, Michael Dennis, Doug Edgmon, Tami Engman (phone), Lee Lindsey, Tami Matsumoto (phone), Steven Roper and Lorie Walsh.

CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order by Lee Lindsey

ACTION APPROVE SUMMARY NOTES
The summary notes from November 5, 2014 were approved as presented.

UPDATE FROM 01/23/2015 MTG
Enrollment growth model not as good as had thought previously. New model also takes growth funding away if we don’t grow. In some ways the new model is worse than the old model.

ENROLLMENT GROWTH FUNDING MODEL
Mr. Lindsey reported that there is news coming from the Chancellor’s office regarding a new Enrollment Growth Funding Model. He noted the new model would allocate funds differently than the present model. He continued by explaining that the new model would not be based strictly on enrollment but would also take into consideration such factors as unemployment, Pell Grant eligibility (poverty), participation rate and unfunded FTES in each district. He stated that this new model might possibly help to stabilize funding for CR and other small districts throughout the community college system. He noted that the current funding model is not sustainable with only the COLA increase each year. If there’s no growth, a COLA in this year’s range of less than 1% is not enough for the district to survive on long term without further budget actions.

Mr. Lindsey stated that he will be attending a meeting this coming Friday with other Northern California CBOs and he will be able to get a clearer perspective of how the new funding model may work a couple of years from now. He stated that he will send out an update when he has more information.

GROWTH IN BENEFITS COSTS
Mr. Lindsey reported that the portion of the STRS and PERS benefits that the district pays are increasing significantly possibly two percent or more. He went on to say that the Governor’s budget may allow for approximately a one percent COLA which will help with these costs.

He stated that the deficit factor has been moving down and the last solid numbers from the Chancellor’s Office reflect the improvement.

Mr. Lindsey stated that the deficit factor is based on property tax and how it comes in to the state. He also stated that the department of finance is improving their
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processes and the numbers are getting more accurate.
4:30 p.m. / Submitted lw

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