

COLLEGE OF THE SISKIYOU
BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

February 24, 2016
4-5 p.m.

BC Members
Jesse Cecil
Debbie Dutcher
Nancy Funk
Kent Gross
Eric Houck
Dennis Roberts
Sharon Swingle
Chris Vancil
Connie Warren

MINUTES

Present: D. Roberts, J. Cecil, C. Warren, N. Funk, K. Gross, S. Swingle

The meeting was called to order at 4 p.m.

1. Review of Minutes

MSP (Gross, Roberts, unanimous) to accept the minutes of January 27, 2016 as read.

2. State Budget Update

- Nancy attended the NCCCBO quarterly meeting last week. There are concerns that January revenues are down, but January is often a lower-spending month.
- P1 reports deficit factor at 1.3 but it should be at 1.6. Last year's deficit factor ended at zero.
- The COLA may go down from the projected .047%
- Base revenues were calculated with no COLA, no funding for fixed costs.
- It is proposed that 2% growth may be dropped down to 1 ½% or less. Of those colleges attending the meeting only four had growth. All others had flat or declining enrollment, so there are opportunities for us if we can grow above 2,590. We would probably get paid for extra growth as a result. This will help us next year if the economy has a downturn.
- The State budget is based on where we are right now. We can expect a modest upturn by May.

3. Ellucian Project

- We have asked Ellucian for a proposal to upgrade Banner and add components that will make it more useful. We expect to have quote from them in the next couple weeks.
- This will probably be a three-year project with an estimated cost of \$2 million, some of which will need to be paid up front. We are expecting to have to pay about \$200,000 for this year to start the implementation, but there may also be some SSSP funding that can be used. Nancy is looking at financing part of the cost, but probably would not be needed until next year. She is also looking at whether our bridging capabilities are adequate.
- Could do an upgrade of that system under that financing. If using a lease revenue bond option the money can be invested to have interest while it is not being used. Municipal leasing is another option for five years. It would be used like a line of credit, and we only pay when it is drawn down.
- There will be a couple campus forums when Ellucian options have been narrowed down.

4. Enrollment Reports

- SFPD has added 6 or 7 classes.
- FIELD is asking to increase enrollment by 150 for the next year.
- Base enrollment is down about 40 but there are late start classes coming up.

5. Other

- RFP on food service was sent to over 70 providers with no response back. We went out again to local food service providers with no response again. A local restaurant owner just contacted us and Nancy is meeting with that person soon. If that does not work out, then we will need to bring the food service in-house.
- Do we advertise to bring in additional students to the dorms for spring semester?
Do we offer any rate decreases to make spring lodging more attractive?

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Luddon