

December 7, 2015

3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in A-5

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MEETING MINUTES

Present: Anthony Culpepper, Nick Strobel, Alfredo Sanchez, John Gerhold, Steven Holmes, Reggie Bolton, Meg Stidham, Laura Lorigo

BAM Evaluation III Organizational Meeting

Anthony stated Tom Burke had asked what the meeting attendants wanted to get out of the meeting. Porterville and Cerro Coso want to be involved in the District budget. They both were not aware of the new growth model. There was \$24 million from property taxes that were allocated to the different colleges based on FTES.

Tom Burke had stated that bad debt has directly affected the 50% law. The District wrote off \$3.2 million in bad debt for previous years and \$900,000 was from BC. If the bad debt is over two years old, the District writes it off. The biggest concern is the resources that could be been available if we had received fee payments. It was asked what procedures the District had to collect unpaid fees. The District does not use an outside vendor or have aggressive tactics in collecting unpaid fees.

The reserve was discussed. The colleges had concerns about the district salaries. It was requested to have Consultation Council involved in the District's budget process. Steven stated we need a district-wide budget committee. This is a 10+1 issue. The Chancellor had stated the BAM is the process that allows the opportunity for input. Steven stated BAM is only the allocations model and there is no involvement for expenditures.

Consultation Council agreed to give stability to Cerro Coso and Porterville for 15-16. BC may get a 279 FTES for 16-17 since Cerro Coso will be on stability two years in a row, 14-15 and 15-16. BC will know in February 2016 if we will get the 279 FTES.

BC Facilities Update

The LA Swing Space project is now called the BC Swing Space project. There are 2 areas that are being considered for modules. We have contacted the city and it was determined that the crosswalk is close enough 150 feet away from the Mount Vernon location. Modules will be 20,000 feet or more. As Eric Mittlestead built out the space, the costs kept climbing. A modular city became the viable alternative.

There is still an issue with students jaywalking across Mount Vernon Avenue and getting ticketed.

The ABC Building will house Administration, Bookstore, Business Services, and Conference Center.

Food Services may be part of the BC Swing Space project. Food carts may be a possible solution for the temporary loss of building. There has been no discussion of letting go any employees and we may have to reassess food service duties.

Renegade Promise

President Obama has opened up a discussion regarding free college education. The President has put together a team to discuss how to frame the conversation as it relates to BC. Steven stated the President wants to utilize the Renegade Promise as recruitment tool.

The plan is to address students in different groups:

1. College-ready – If students come to the BC college-ready, they will be able to attend for free for 60 units. How do we provide it from a financial point of view? How does it affect FTES?
2. Not college-ready – Is there a process where they can measure up to college ready courses, such as multiple measures? What is the cost for that student if they are one step away from college-ready?

BC will need to work with the community to ensure that students are college ready.

The District has been working on their version of a promise without any consultation with the other colleges.

It was asked how many of BC students are staying beyond 2 years. This may affect FTES. Reggie stated students in Athletics complete their Associate degrees or Transfer degrees in two years. Reggie stated if we are promising to pay tuition then it would be a scholarship. The Renegade Promise does not offer to pay tuition. It is a pathway to completion. However, if all individuals are offered the Renegade Promise, it would not be a scholarship. The financial benefit to students would be completing sooner to get closer to a higher earning potential. It was asked how we will manage our growth count. When students have failed a class twice, they are able to take the class for a final third time. It was asked if BC receives an apportionment for the student for that third time.

Next meeting: January 25, 2016