Co-Chairs: A. Tomlinson, L. McKenzie

The meeting began at 3:10p.m. in SSA 219. The agenda was approved as submitted. The minutes from April 14, 2011 were accepted as presented.

L. McKenzie reported that the May revise shows a $400M cut to community colleges. The governor will restore $110M in the form of a fee increase. Student fees will increase from $26 to $36 per unit. The only gain from the May revise is the Governor’s willingness to reduce CC’s deferrals which means more cash will be available to operate.

President Martinez reported the statewide deficit is $10.8B. The governor’s tax extension proposal may be decided by the legislature rather than the voters. The legislature knows without the tax extension the state would face a 10% cut. At this time we are looking at a 5% budget cut. We will know by September if the tax extension is approved. A plan was proposed at DBC to use the district’s $87M reserve. The President referred to the cluster report and noted cuts have been made in almost every area. Because of those cuts we meet the criteria to tap into the reserve. He thanked everyone for making cuts.

Over the past month the college has submitted $25M in grants to help offset program 100 costs and reduce the deficit. There was a discussion on the percentage of grant money that goes back to program 100. The President believes a good portion can come back to the college while still meeting the criteria of the grant; however the dollar amount will vary every year. He discussed the impact of bringing in new grants. While grants are an asset, the additional work they bring can be challenging. L. McKenzie added grants allow more program offerings to students who would not get served otherwise.

A. Tomlinson addressed the deadline for SFP’s. Money from SFP’s should be transferred to program 100 as soon as possible, preferably by the end of this month. SFP’s are not allowed to run a deficit.

The President notices a habit of expecting the campus to provide seed money to get a grant started and sometimes the money never gets back to program 100. The President stated as of July 1 the campus will not provide start up money. A. Tomlinson explained the expenditure plan for summer. Last summer we spent $300,000. This summer we hope to hold it to $20,000 by only offering the athletic training classes. N. Barakat noted he teaches Adaptive PE during the summer at no pay. PPT classes are paid by a grant. There will not be a summer youth program.
A. Tomlinson distributed the monthly projection for April. She reviewed increases and decreases in expenditures. The revenue for the current year is $30.1M. Our projected total expenditures with benefits for this year are $30,703.271. Title 5 moved over $180,000 making our projected deficit $412,264 at this time. She reported our allocation for next year is about $27M. Salaries and benefits alone are $28M. Meaning we have to cut $3M next year from what we spent this year.

Other issues discussed by the committee:

- The President emphasized the need to be more disciplined in order to reach our goal of having a balanced budget and a surplus.
- There will be no layoffs or furloughs.
- The President hopes to restore enrollment with the reserve money we get from the district.
- L. Rosas noted we should aim at 7,000 FTES for next year.
- A. Tomlinson reminded the committee as we increase regular faculty, hourly needs to decrease in order to balance.
- J. Smith expressed concern about the increase in student fees.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20p.m. This is the last Budget Committee Meeting for this year.