

**EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE  
BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING  
MONDAY, MAY 17, 2010 @ 1:30 P.M.  
E7-410  
MINUTES**

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**Roll Call:**

Committee members present as indicated (x).

**Academic Senate**

Jeff Hernandez\*                    x  
Alex Immerblum (Alt.)            x  
David Senensieb  
Michael Simone                    x  
Steve Wardinski (Alt.)

**Administration**

Selina Chi                            x  
Erlinda De Ocampo\*            x  
Renee Martinez                    x  
Richard Moyer                    x  
Oscar Valeriano                    x

**AFT Faculty Guild**

Evelyn Escatiola                    x  
Armida Ornelas                    x  
Vanessa Valverde

**AFT Staff Guild**

Laura E. Ramirez                    x

**Building and Trades Council**

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**Local 99**

Vacant

**SEIU 721 Supervisors**

Lindy Fong                            x

**ASU**

Gerardo Ramirez

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co-chairs\*

**Other Guests**

Karen Daar, Dean of Academic Affairs  
Pauletta Daw, Faculty  
Fernando Fernandez, Escalante Program Director  
Gisela Herrera, Writing Center  
Gonzalo Mendoza, Info Tech  
Laura M. Ramirez, Local 911  
Caesar Ojeda, AFT Staff Guild  
Nancy Perez, Admissions  
Karen Rapp, Vincent Price Museum Gallery Director

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Co-chair Hernandez at 1:39 p.m.

**I. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

The agenda was approved by consensus of the Committee.

II. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** (M/S/P: A. Immerblum/L. E. Ramirez): The minutes of May 3, 2010 were approved as distributed.

III. **ACTION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- A. Approval of Unfunded/Underfunded Budget Priorities
  - i. Cluster Plan List & Ed Plan List

Co-chair Hernandez reviewed the handout of unfunded/underfunded priorities. R. Moyer asked that the Vincent Price Art Gallery Museum at an estimated \$40,000.00 and the Escalante Program at an estimated \$276,000.00 (to restore the program to a 21% cut for the entire year) be included in the unfunded/underfunded items list. Life guards at an estimated \$36,000.00 for the year were also included on the list as this is a health and safety requirement. Information Technology reduced the server requirement request to nine servers.

The Committee labeled the items by those that impact student success; those that are contractual; and other items, including requests for restoration of cuts. The committee engaged in extensive discussion related to all these items and heard pleas from both the Escalante Program and Vincent Price Museum Gallery heads on how the cuts have directly impacted each program's operation.

K. Rapp, Vincent Price Museum Gallery Director, briefed the Budget Committee on the impact of the budget reduction for the Vincent Price Art Museum, offering two scenarios per various budget allotments.

**M/S/P (Immerblum/Ornelas): To accept the prioritized list and forward it to the Shared Governance Council with the understanding that this is in addition to the \$6 million above our current allocation. Those items labeled as one's and two's are top tier, those items with a one are on the second tier, and the remaining items are prioritized last.**

Motion carries with one abstention.

Co-chair Hernandez will redistribute the finalized list electronically to all Committee members.

B. **APPROVAL OF CHANGES TO THE BUDGET DEVELOPMENT PROCESS**

Tabled for the next meeting.

C. **REVIEW OF EXPENDITURES, PARTICULARLY LINE ITEM CONCERNING PAY FOR ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSIGNMENTS AND NON-TEACHING FACULTY.**

Co-chair De Ocampo distributed a report on administrator extra assignments and non-teaching faculty line items. She reviewed the annual averages for certificated salaries. It was noted that the

current year figure is due to salary adjustments. The report confirmed the assertion that administrators are no longer receiving additional administrative assignments.

#### **IV. UPDATES**

##### **A. District and State Update:**

District Update: Co-chair Hernandez reiterated the need for the college to have a list readily available for unfunded/underfunded items when the district reviews the district wide budget.

State Update: The May revise is still being worked on, with monies being sought from the federal government.

#### **V. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR/ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A. Summer Meeting Dates:** The budget committee will meet on July 19, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. In the interim, Co-chair Hernandez will circulate budget information, at all levels, as it becomes available electronically.

**B. Escalante Program:** Fernando Fernandez briefed the Committee on the impact the budget reduction has had on the Escalante Program, requesting that the Budget Committee consider to add the Escalante Program budget as one of the items on the unfunded/underfunded items list. He explained the continuous growth the Escalante Program has maintained throughout the years. With the current budget cuts, the Escalante Program will not be able to operate its full program year. Escalante Program classes were cut by 35%. Mr. Fernandez explained that teachers gave up their regular summer teaching assignments to maintain their summer employment with the Escalante Program and as a result of the budget cuts there is now a shortfall to cover salary assignments. If the program operates with the limited resources available, the program will exhaust its funding for fall and spring terms. The importance for the college to maintain its commitment to students that have registered for Escalante summer classes was also acknowledged. The Escalante Program budget situation also ultimately reinforces the need for the college to access its fund balance.

#### **VI. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

April M. Aragon-Administrative Services