

This Week at the District

Happy New Year!

I would like to thank you all for the holiday gifts, cards, thoughts and well wishes. I hope that everyone enjoyed the winter break and came back refreshed and ready for the new year!

Strategic Forecast Meeting

Andrea Saveri, the consultant who led our strategic opportunities workshop in November, visited this week with a small group of constituents to engage in an in-depth strategic forecasting discussion. She led us through a forecast that previewed five disruptions that will reshape learning (and everything else) over the next decade. We spent time identifying the implications and generating questions that could guide our response and help us to shape our own future. New organizational and business models were also explored. It was an enlightening session and I am hopeful that we can utilize this knowledge to point Coast Colleges in the right direction as we work together to plan for the future.

Flu Outbreak

You have likely heard recent news reports about the soaring number of flu cases in the United States, and the severity of the illness. I would like to take this opportunity to encourage you to take care of yourself by getting plenty of rest and eating properly, consider getting a flu shot if you have not yet done so, and avoiding those who are actively ill. If you develop the flu, please follow the advice of the medical professionals and stay home to recuperate. Tips for treating flu symptoms can be found at: www.flu.gov/symptoms-treatment/treatment. I wish you a healthy start to the new year!

Governor's Budget Proposal

The Governor released his budget proposal yesterday and while there are no details, there are clear indications that education will realize positive progress regarding proposed funding. I remain cautiously optimistic as to the realistic chances of the proposal being adopted as the final State budget, but I am pleased that the sentiment seems to be in favor of education. Further, the Governor is asking us to potentially take on adult education and look into online education practices that provide for efficiency in educational delivery. It will certainly promote interesting discussions at the local and state levels.

I have attached CC League President **Scott Lay's** recent briefing on the proposal and we will keep you updated regarding budget talks. Please note that while we can breathe a little easier if we realize some fiscal relief from the State, we are still not out of the budget woods yet. The Coast District faces an

Board Meeting Reminders

January 16 - Regular Meeting

February 6 - Regular Meeting

February 20 – Regular Meeting

Chancellor's Calendar

Week of January 14, 2013

Monday - Thursday
In the Office

Friday - Out of Office

internal operating deficit of approximately \$6-million that we need to deal with locally. We are working together with our constituents to find solutions and to develop a balanced budget model for the future.

Finally, I would like to ask the entire Coast Colleges family to continue to work together as we tackle these important issues. We will need to work as a team to come to reasonable and sufficient solutions to our on-going challenges.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew J. ...", is centered below the word "Sincerely,". The signature is written in a cursive style.

From: [Brady, Paula](#)
To: [District](#)
Subject: FW: 2013-14 Budget Released
Date: Thursday, January 10, 2013 12:04:16 PM

The following budget message from Scott Lay, Community College League of California, is being forwarded to you on behalf of Vice Chancellor, Andy Dunn

From: Scott Lay [<mailto:scottlay@ccleague.org>]
Sent: Thursday, January 10, 2013 10:59 AM
To: Dunn, Andrew
Subject: 2013-14 Budget Released



January 10, 2013

Dear Andy,

First, let me say what a nice feeling it is to open the state budget and see the numbers for community colleges in black, rather than red, ink. We owe a debt of gratitude to California's voters for their approval of Proposition 30 and the seven years of more stable funding that it provides.

The [budget plan](#) proposes sweeping policy changes that embrace and build upon work that has been done in recent years, and answers significant policy questions such as ones about the future of adult and noncredit education.

As is typical on January 10, there is no language that allows us to probe the details of each of these proposals. However, I am happy to report that Governor Brown's staff has made significant outreach to us and to the Chancellor to make it clear that we'll be part of the discussion about details in upcoming months.

The governor's proposal for all three systems highlights the need in California to increase college completion, and we anticipate a thorough discussion in the upcoming months. This is not about "rationing" or budget cutting anymore, but rather recognizing the economic and social justice mandates for tackling this issue.

Here are the major components of the proposed budget for community colleges:

- No change in student fees.
- **\$196.9 million (3.6%) for increased apportionments**, without specifying the use. There will be a discussion about the balance of access/restoration and quality through the budget process.
- **\$179 million for deferral buydown**, reducing borrowing needs of community college districts. This reduces the outstanding deferral to \$622 million.
- **\$133.2 million in increased General Fund** in 2013-14 to recognize that anticipated redevelopment revenues are not materializing. In 2012-13, the Administration is proposing \$47.8 million to offset proposed redevelopment shortfall, which will likely leave districts with a significant current year deficit.
- \$16.9 million to provide **increased access to matriculated students through the use of technology**.
- **Change the census-based apportionment system** to provide a larger

apportionment amount to students who are still enrolled at the end of the semester/quarter.

- **Limit state-supported instruction in community colleges to 90 units.** Units beyond the cap would be not be state supported, but available at full cost to the student.
- **Require all students seeking a BOG Fee Waiver to complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).**
- **Shift of the remaining adult education program, including \$300 million, from K-12 schools to community colleges,** and an additional \$15.7 million from the K-12 apprenticeship program to community college apprenticeship programs.
- **Creation of a \$450 million energy efficiency fund** for schools and community colleges using funds from Proposition 39 (counts toward Proposition 98 guarantee), with \$49.5 million for community college projects.

Additionally, the California State University and the University of California are each provided \$125.1 million, including \$10 million each to increase access to technology-based courses for students. This is consistent with the commitment from last year's budget that, if the segments didn't raise fees in 2012-13, they would receive \$125 million in 2013-14.

The governor is to be commended for his tireless advocacy to advocate for Proposition 30 and for presenting a bold budget proposal that upholds the commitments he (and we) made to the voters in talking about the measure.

We will have more details during our joint budget webinar with the Chancellor's Office on Monday at 10 a.m., which you should have received an e-mail from Theresa Tena about. You can sign up for the budget webinar at:

<http://www.ccleague.org/i4a/forms/form.cfm?id=83>

Again, thank you for your advocacy on Proposition 30 and over the last several years.

Sincerely,



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