The Governor’s January budget proposal did not include equalization funding. If there were funding, Ohlone College would be eligible for equalization funding because it receives funding per credit FTES less than the state wide average funding level. Inclusion of equalization funding in the May Budget Revision would result in approximately $600,000 more in funding for the college in the coming year. This funding is essential in order to maintain student access to classes. Some college districts currently receive as much as $4,500 more per FTES than Ohlone College does.

RECOMMENDATION:

The President/Superintendent recommends that the Board of Trustees approve Resolution No. 22/04-05 in support of equalization funding.
OHLMONE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

RESOLUTION NO. 22/04-05
SUPPORTING EQUALIZATION FUNDING

WHEREAS, OHLMONE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT along with other school districts in the State of California desires to maintain and improve student access to higher education; and

WHEREAS, STUDENTS in the 58 lower-revenue districts across the state have significantly less access to classes, student support services and current technology; and

WHEREAS, OHLMONE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT, a lower revenue district, desires to improve student access to essential educational services; and

WHEREAS, OHLMONE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT wishes to ensure that its students receive the same quality education that higher revenue districts provide;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

The Board of Trustees of the Ohlone Community College District supports the inclusion of equalization funding in the 2005-06 State Budget.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting this 11th day of May 2005, by the following called vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:  

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Secretary of the Board of Trustees  
Of the Ohlone Community College District  
Of Alameda County, State of California