

- Question: Is there anything that could be cut out of the 15% of Ohlone's budget that is not locked up in salaries and benefits? We came up with \$300,000 in cuts today, and when people realize that it's either cuts in their budget or cuts to their staff, they'll look to cut more.
- Question: When you're responsible for a budget with a 64% cut, how are you to deal with it? These budget projections assume that the categoricals are not cutting any funds at all, this represents a worst case scenario.
- Question: Could people just offer to reduce their salaries? This is negotiable, we can't negotiate with individuals.
- 2nd chart: Fiscal Year 2009-2010 estimated impact of categorical revenue reductions
 - Question: What's the difference between "flexible" and "inflexible" categoricals? There is a provision in the budget act that allows districts to move dollars out of one of the flexible programs into one of the inflexible programs, and by doing that (which is subject to modification with an upcoming budget revision bill), it locks in funding at the 2008-09, less the reductions.
 - The "inflexible" programs have guidelines and mandates that are laws. Those laws earmarked certain programs to be "inflexible".
 - Question: At what point can everyone have really firm numbers? We need some type of mechanism so that there is an informal way of suggesting this.
 - Could we reduce flex days? No, by law.
 - A 1% cut in all salaries is roughly \$350,000. If it was an ongoing reduction in pay it would be an ongoing savings.
 - Question: Is there a way to say "donate 3% of my salary" to the foundation, then have that money go into the general fund? There would be no impact to salary structure, it would be a tax benefit, is there a legal problem? We'd have to look into this. Also, college foundations don't like donating towards salaries.
 - It's similar to our employee giving campaign - you'd just need to add a column to donate towards the operations of the college.
 - This wouldn't be as fruitful as elimination of a salary.
 - We could have a fundraising event with us "fundraising for ourselves".
 - Wage concessions should come from the bargaining units. If it comes from the district as a cost-savings strategy, it's not really effective. If the units came forward with such an idea, then it's a non-punitive way to approach this.

3. Outline of Campus Plans

- During accreditation we worked on developing a centralized planning process. The chancellor's office has a lot of standards, and the accreditation standards used to be same as the chancellor's office.
- This is a work in progress, one can see where it is right now in the following documents:
- 1st Document: Outline of Plans
- This document lists how various plans are included in Ohlone's goals and objectives. One can identify which plan goes with which goal.
- 2nd Document: Integrating Campus Plans
- This document takes the required plans and goals, and aligns them with action plans.
- As an example, an action plan for the Facilities Master Plan is listed.
- Question: On the "Integrating Campus Plans" document, why would cleanliness not be part of the Facilities Master Plan? It's not structural, it's not part of constructing facilities.
 - Wouldn't cleanliness fall into the Facilities Master Plan, because you don't want to design structures and facilities that are low-maintenance? Maybe we should add it. It's covered under learning environment, but it's not specifically on this list.
 - One could argue it under aesthetics.
 - Maybe it's under sustainability?
 - It's one of those things that seems self-evident, but maybe it should be put in, in order to avoid being overlooked.
 - Cleanliness is in the goals and objectives, just not in our Facilities Master Plan.

4. Proposed Date Change – September 21st Meeting

- Because of the foundation golf tournament, the September 21st meeting will need to be moved. There is not a quorum present to vote on this. Co-chair Tim Roberts suggested the meeting be set for Tuesday September 22nd at 3:00 p.m. Please stay tuned for updates on location.

5. Board Update

- The Board will approve a new AVP of Human Resources at their meeting tomorrow. She will join the College Council meetings next month.
- The Board will vote on Emeritus resolutions for Bennett Oppenheim and Cynthia Katona.
- Lesley Buehler will give a division presentation on Learning Resources and Academic Technology.
- The Board will also receive a Budget update similar to College Council, but a little more elaborate.
- One of the Board policies that will change is BP 3280, Grants. The change will have the board knowing which grants are “submitted”, not just grants that have been approved. It’s important for the board to know which grants have been submitted. If they decided that the college not go forward with a grant – i.e., too many strings attached, they could do that.

Brief update – the Budget Task Force is going to meet on Monday, September 14th.

7. Constituent Group Feedback

- Item moved to a future meeting.

8. Suggestions for Future Topics

- E-mail any suggestions for future topics to Tim or Gari.

ADJOURNED: 4:10 p.m.

FUTURE MEETINGS / 2009: Summer Schedule

(3:00 - 4:30 / 1407 & SSC):

- Summer/Fall Schedule: 2009
Mondays, except as noted*
Room 1407 & SSC (3:00 – 4:30 p.m.) as follows

September 21, SSC
October 12, SSC
October 26, SSC
November 9, SSC
December 7, SSC