

Meeting Minutes

Merritt College Budget Committee

Wednesday, November 17, 2021

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Zoom URL: <https://cccconfer.zoom.us/j/95570477889>**MEMBERS:**

VOTING – List full name below (place X in box adjacent to name when present)			
X	Garth Kwiecien Co-Chair	X	Rebecca Uhlman
X	Linnea Willis Co-Chair	X	Thomas Renbarger
	Lilia Chavez		Phasasha Pharr
X	Denise Richardson		Victor Littles
X	Tauheeda Anderson		Derrick Ross
	Isabell Arguello	X	Sinead Anderson
X	Lilian Pires		
NON VOTING – List full name below (place X in box adjacent to name when present)			
X	Monica Amboy		
X	Joan Davis-Notes		

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	FOLLOW-UP ACTION
I. Call to Order	Called to order at 3:02 pm	
II. Adoption of Agenda	Motion: To approve agenda as written. Moted (Renbarger) Seconded (Uhlman) Approved without objection.	
III. Approval of Minutes	Meeting minutes from September tabled for the next meeting without objection.	Meeting minutes will be shared at the December 15 th meeting.
IV. Membership Review	Tabled for the next meeting December 15 th without objection.	Membership will be reviewed at the December 15 th meeting.

<p>V. Bylaws Review</p>	<p>Moved by (Uhlman) Seconded by (Renbarger) Approved as presented and written with no objection.</p>	<p>The bylaws will be sent for review and approval once approved the bylaws will be updated on the website.</p>
<p>VI. Special Guest C.M Brahmbhatt from the District to discuss the possible ipace of Hold Harmless to the District and specifically Merritt College.</p>	<p>C.M. Brahmbhatt presented the proposed Budget Allocation Model formula which was approved by the BAM taskforce. The next step for the BAM model will be approval by the PGC, PBC and the Board. The new model will consist of the following: 70% of the dollars will come to the college or the district based on the FTES. 20% of your funding will come based on who you are serving (all students who are under represented). 10% of the funding will come from the student success. There are 8 different elements, such as who are your students, which students are transferring. Who are the students which are earning certificates. Who are your first year students taking English or Math or which students are doing the CTE. The other part of the funding involves regional wages which colleges have no control over it, that data comes from the State. Merritt College is a stable college. Merritt's FTES is stable year in and year out. C.M. stated that it is important for the college to pay attention to their own data. The new student centered formula will incentivize the colleges to do better with their students and their demographics. The colleges are facing a decline in student enrollment. The challenges that the colleges are facing was mentioned by C.M.</p> <p>The concept of the new allocation model will allow the funds to stay at the college first. All of the dollars provided by the State will stay with the college. All of the local revenue created by the college will remain with the college. The college will not have to share the local revenue with any other colleges. Any revenue that the college receives or the savings at the end of the year the college be able to retain and use it as that college decides to do with it on new projects new programs. On the reverse side, if the college over spends then those dollars will not be available to the college in the next year.</p> <p>It was mentioned that Merritt has a higher overhead with regards to buildings and fulltime faculty. C.M. mentioned that there are several ways of reducing overhead this is something that the college will have to look at and make the appropriate decisions. Once the new model is adopted C.M. is willing to return and discuss the model.</p> <p>It was mentioned that there is a concern that the new model will not benefit Merritt College.</p>	

	<p>It was requested that the District attend a CBC meeting to allow the committee as well as guest to voice their concerns and to ask questions.</p> <p>Thomas Renbarger will share the BAM Taskforce handouts with the committee by email.</p> <p>The next BAM Taskforce meeting will be held on 12/7/21 at 1:30pm.</p>	<p>An invitation will be sent to VC Adil Ahmed for the next meeting.</p> <p>Thomas Renbarger will share the BAM Taskforce meeting information with the CBC committee after the meeting.</p>
VII. Review of Budget Timeline	<p>Per Co-Chair Willis the program review process was completed. The Completed reviews are being validated by the validation team. Co-Chair Kwiecien shared the Summary of Budget vs. Actual Financial Results document and Merritt College Instructional Salary Budget vs Expense document.</p>	
VIII. Announcements	<p>The next meeting on December 15, 2021 will be held at 1pm. A notice will be sent to the committee members.</p>	<p>Joan Davis will send an updated invite to the committee with the meeting time change from 3pm to 1pm on December 15, 2021.</p>
IX. Adjournment	<p>Adjourned at 5:09 pm</p>	