CHABOT-LAS POSITAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

April 21, 2009

Agenda Item: 5.7

Subject: Approval of Agreement with Governet for CurricUNET Software

Background: The Curriculum Committees at both Chabot and Las Positas have reviewed over the past year several software alternatives to improve their curriculum development process for courses and programs. Based on system features, ease of usage, and integration with our existing systems (Banner Student System and Elumens Student Learning Outcomes), CurricUNET was selected unanimously as the best match to achieve the college objectives for automation in this area. CurricUNET is a web-based software application designed to automate and enhance the development and approval of curriculum for higher education institutions that works very effectively in multi-campus institutions. The software provides multi-college districts with the ability to use custom forms, reports, and workflows for each campus while also providing district-wide reporting and shared database access to all courses and programs from all district colleges.

In verifying client references, CurricUNET is used with excellent results throughout the California colleges and nation wide. CurricUNET was developed in 1998 for San Diego CCD. CurricUNET is now utilized by 122 colleges nation wide and 56 colleges in California, 15 of which are California Community Colleges. The California Community Colleges that use both the Banner Student System and CurricUNET include Antelope Valley, Citrus, College of the Sequoias, Imperial Valley, Kern, North Orange, Santa Barbara, Solano, and Ventura. In addition, the California Community College Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) is a client and there are 2 statewide implementations in California and Illinois that include automated reporting to the State Board and a searchable statewide curriculum database.

The software allows instructors to conduct course and program development online and provides course impact reports that identify courses and programs that would be affected by a proposed course change. The automated workflow process routes all courses and program proposals to designated reviewers, such as curriculum committees and administrators, which also includes a real-time graphic of the completed workflow and an email notification system used to let staff know when curriculum is in the queue for their approval. The system allows for both current and archived course outlines and programs to allow historical tracking of all course changes. A comprehensive reporting system is provided with the base system and search features by subject, number, units, and status are also included.

Recommended Action: That the Board of Trustees approve the proposed agreement with Governet for CurricUNET software at a cost not to exceed $60,000 for the first year and an annual maintenance of $20,000 beginning in the second year. It is further recommended that the Board authorize the Vice Chancellor, Business Services to execute the agreement and any future augmentations or amendments on behalf of the District.

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