

CHABOT-LAS POSITAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

October 15, 2013

Agenda Item: 4.3

Subject: Acceptance of Renewal of Grant Award - California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office (CCCCO) for Mathematics, Engineering, Science Achievement (MESA), Chabot College

Background: Chabot College is renewing the annual \$50,500 grant award from the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office. Funds support the MESA Program at Chabot College. The MESA program academically prepares its program students for transfer to four-year institutions, to assure their ability to attain baccalaureate degrees in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) fields.

The MESA program is comprised of 13 Core Components that include: Academic Excellence Workshops that teach collaborative learning techniques, a special orientation course for MESA students, a dedicated study center, career advising and exploration of STEM options, transfer assistance, scholarships and partnerships with student and professional organizations. The Chabot MESA Program will provide all 13 Core MESA Components which includes frequent, sustained and prolonged academic and student support services, including case management.

The Chabot MESA Program will benefit all Chabot students, but will target underrepresented minorities in STEM, in particular Latino, African-American, and Pacific-Islander students. Taking into account the student population at Chabot, low-income, first-generation students majoring in STEM fields will also be targeted. As a result of the first-year success and renewal funds, the program is expanding to serve 120 students, 20 additional students.

The District and College have also developed a plan for institutionalizing the Chabot MESA Program and its Project Director. MESA is a key element of the multiple student success initiatives at the college and is a part of its Strategic Plan to increase student success and transfer while supporting Chabot's commitment to being a Hispanic-serving institution.

The Board of Trustees was presented the original agreement on July 17, 2012 under item 4.1.

Funding for the project is in the amount of \$50,500 for the period beginning July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, with the possibility of three additional annual renewals.

Recommended Action: That the Board of Trustees accepts the renewal of the grant award for Chabot College in the amount of \$50,500 for the period beginning July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. It is further recommended that the Board authorize the Vice Chancellor, Business Services, to execute the grant award on behalf of the District.

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