

CHABOT-LAS POSITAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

September 15, 2015

Agenda Item: 4.7

Subject: Acceptance of Grant Award - U.S. Department of Education TRIO Student Support Services (SSS) Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM), Chabot College

Background: The TRIO Student Support Services grant targets disabled, low-income, and first-generation college students. This grant builds upon Chabot’s successful Math, Engineering, and Science Achievement (MESA) Program and establishes a new TRIO SSS program that targets students interested in pursuing STEM disciplines, including Health Sciences. This includes students in the following areas as well as other related fields including: physical sciences, engineering, life sciences, math (e.g., number properties and operations, measurement, geometry, data analysis and probability, and algebra), and technology, including technology literacy, hands on workshops, technological innovations, scientific research, biotechnology, electronics, health sciences, communications and health research.

The Chabot College SSS STEM Program seeks to narrow and/or close this gap by providing academic support in STEM fields, enrichment and leadership opportunities, case management, financial aid and financial literacy services. The program recruits from all areas of the college utilizing frequent and intrusive student contacts and strong academic supports, led by science and math faculty, to retain students. Services include a Summer Bridge Program, close monitoring and follow-up on progress and continuous program activities that keep students engaged and in contact with STEM faculty and staff. This program is a collaborative effort of the math and science faculty and counseling faculty. Funding for the project is in the amount of \$220,000 per year for five years (\$1,100,000) for the period September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2020.

Recommended Action: That the Board of Trustees accepts the Grant Award – U.S Department of Education TRIO Student Support Services (SSS) Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM), Chabot College, Award No. P042A151595, in the amount of \$220,000 per year for five years (\$1,100,000) for the period September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2020. 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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Approved: Jannett N. Jackson/Date

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