

## CHABOT-LAS POSITAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

December 4, 2018

Agenda Item: 4.1

**Subject:** Acceptance of a Grant Sub-Agreement between Solano Community College District (SCCD) and Chabot-Las Positas Community College District in support of the “Business and Entrepreneurship Sector Navigator” (SCCD Award No.: 18-151-010), Las Positas College

Background: Las Positas College has been awarded a \$7,300 Business and Entrepreneurship Sector Navigator Grant from the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office, Division of Workforce and Economic Development, to disseminate funds to community colleges to implement the “Faculty Entrepreneurship Champion Mini-grant Project,” for faculty sponsored projects related to small business and entrepreneurship.

Entrepreneurs and small business owners are critical to California’s economic development as contributors to innovation and new job growth. The Small Business Sector collaborates with industry and education to improve and expand business and entrepreneurial curriculum. The end result is a job-ready workforce and entrepreneurial leaders to ensure California’s economic growth and global competitiveness.

Las Positas College is long overdue for an up-to-date Entrepreneurship Program. A contemporary, experiential Entrepreneurship Program will appeal to a broad audience—new graduates, continuing students, returning students, and the local community seeking professional development opportunities. The new program will attract those pursuing a degree or simply seeking to increase their knowledge and improve their skills, abilities, and competencies. Course content will help students upgrade their skills for possible career advancement and give them foundational skills to launch or expand a business.

With the Business and Entrepreneurship Sector Navigator Grant, business faculty will work with students, staff, industry experts, and business leaders to plan, write, and approve updated Entrepreneurship curriculum, which will include a work-based learning/internship component, an emphasis on the entrepreneur mindset, and classes that align with the gig economy.

Funding for the project is in the amount of \$7,300 for the funding year 2018-2019, for the period beginning November 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, but no activities under the grant will be undertaken prior to Board approval of the agreement. The funding cannot be renewed.

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Recommended Action: That the Board of Trustees accepts the Grant Sub-Agreement between Solano Community College District and Chabot-Las Positas Community College District in support of the “Business and Entrepreneurship Sector Navigator” (SCCD Award No.: 18-151-010), Las Positas College in the amount of \$7,300 for the performance period of November 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. It is further recommended that the Board authorize the Vice Chancellor, Business Services, to execute the grant agreement on behalf of the District.

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Approved: Thomas M. Fallo/Date

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