

CHABOT-LAS POSITAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

February 16, 2021

Agenda Item: 5.4

Subject: Acceptance of the Agreement for CARES Act Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) – Institutional Funding – from the U.S. Department of Education for the Chabot – Las Positas Community College District, Chabot College (P425F203108-20A)

Background: Chabot College has received Institutional Funding from the Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) as part of the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act. The CARES Act Institutional funding allows Chabot College to use the funds received to cover any costs associated with significant changes to the delivery of instruction due to the coronavirus. Chabot College is to use this award to defray expenses incurred by the College, including lost revenue, reimbursement for expenses already incurred, technology costs associated with a transition to distance education, faculty and staff trainings, and payroll, direct administrative cost and may charge indirect cost to supplemental funds made available under this award consistent with its negotiated indirect cost rate agreement. The College also may use this award for grants to students for any component of the student’s cost of attendance, including food, housing, course materials, technology, health care, and child care. Expenses must have been first incurred on or after March 13, 2020, the date of the Proclamation of National Emergency. To qualify for this funding, Chabot committed to accepting CARES Act HEERF funding that provides emergency financial aid grants to students.

The project funding period is from May 14, 2020 through May 13, 2021 in the amount of \$7,330,978. It is widely anticipated that an additional no-cost extension of an additional year will be made available by the federal government in order to effectively and efficiently spend these dollars.

Recommended Action: That the Board of Trustees approve this agreement from the U.S. Department of Education to Chabot College in the amount of \$7,330,978 for the budget period of May 14, 2020 through May 13, 2021. It is further recommended that the Board authorize the Vice Chancellor, Business Services, to approve the agreement on behalf of the District.

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Submitted: Jonah R. Nicholas/Date

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Approved: Ronald P. Gerhard/Date

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