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### COS Board of Trustees Meeting – June 6, 2017

Weed / COS – As members of the Board and campus staff looked on, Greg Hanna – Trustee President, administered the Oath of Office to Calvin Wagner who will serve a second term (2017/2018) as the COS Student Trustee. Wagner has been a student at COS for the past three years and has participated as a member of the Associated Student Board (ASB) and other campus clubs. He also works on campus in the Public Relations/Foundation Office and as a Student Ambassador.



During the Study Session, Trustees received information on how the State's budget will affect funding available for the 2017/2018 fiscal year. Nancy Funk - Vice-President of Administration and Information Services, presented information about the District's General Fund Tentative Budget and answered questions from the Board. In mid-May, the Governor released his 2017/2018 May Revision, which included an update of his projections, policies, and priorities outlined in his Governor's Budget released in January. The State Budget will be approved by the Legislature on or before June 15 to be given to the Governor to sign by the end of the month.

The State requires Community College Districts to provide a Tentative Budget by June 30 for the following fiscal year. Once the State budget is submitted by the Legislature and approved by the Governor, a 2017/2018 Final Budget will be brought to the Board of Trustees for approval. The Final Budget is due to the Chancellor's Office in September each year. The 2017/2018 Tentative Budget provides the current year adopted budget, estimated actuals for the fiscal year and the proposed Tentative Budget for the upcoming fiscal year. Budget assumptions as well as trends in student enrollment and fund balance are included in the narrative preceding the budget document. Trustees approved the Tentative Budget for 2017/2018 for submission to the State and for the District's use until

the final budget is prepared in September. The Tentative Budget allows spending authority until an Adopted Budget is approved after the Governor has signed the state budget.

In an attempt to increase successful outcomes, the State of California mandated a goal framework for future academic years in the 2014/2015 Higher Education Trailer bill also known as the Institutional Effectiveness Program Initiative (IEPI). Goals are grouped into four categories: student outcomes, fiscal viability, accreditation status, and state and federal programmatic compliance. According to Bart Scott, Director of Research and Evaluation, there are a total of twenty goals that will be required in the future, but only six are required to be adopted this year. The six goals recommended for approval by the Board were fund balance, successful course completion, transfer-level English Year 2, transfer-level Math Year 2, accreditation, and three audit findings. The College's goals and results will be available to the general public and rival colleges can easily be compared by prospective students. Trustees approved the setting of four goals that are required for the 2017/2018 academic year and two optional goals put forward for consideration.

Trustees were presented and approved the Facility Master Plan (FMP). The FMP assesses current conditions of the campuses, identifies present needs and anticipates future interests and physical planning issues for the District. It is intended to guide development in achieving the academic and program goals of the campuses based on the Institutional Master Plan (IMP). The resulting plan is the culmination of effort by numerous individuals and campus groups over multiple years. The FMP will drive planning for future projects, budget development, and short and long-term projects supporting the mission of the College. The Plan will also drive requests to the State for Scheduled Maintenance submittals, future building requests, and management of space inventory.

**Other Board Action:**

- Approved the monthly Consent Agenda.
- Approved budget transfers exceeding the adopted budget.
- Accepted 2016/2017 Board self-evaluation and goals set for 2017/2018.
- Approved revisions to Board Policies: Chapter 3 – General Institution (3420, 3430, 3435, 3440, 3500, 3501, 3503, 3505, 3515, and 3516) as a second and final reading.
- Approved recommendation to enter into contract with S&N Group to perform paving rehabilitation during summer 2017.
- Approved Associated Student Board (ASB) budget for the 2017/2018 fiscal year.
- Approved recommendation to enter into contract with CR Combustion to remove and replace the boilers in buildings 2, 16, and 17 at the Weed Campus.
- Approved the District's Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Plan.
- Approved Resolution 2016-2017-12 committing to the development and approval of a Debt Issuance and Management Policy.
- Approved new member of the Citizen's Bond Oversight Committee.
- Approved acceptance of the Rural Community College Agricultural Cooperative Initiative and authorized expenditures.

The next regular COS Board of Trustees meeting will be held Tuesday, July 11, 2017, at the Weed Campus in the Board Room. Closed session is expected to begin at 5 p.m. The public open session is expected to begin at 6 p.m.