



# State of the Senate

Fall, 2014-15

# Why do we have Senate?

- Because faculty have a right to know the financial and other background facts of the College
- Because faculty have a right to be heard and participate in decision making – right up to the Board
- We are a “consultative” district
- We have no agreed upon +I – but are making strides in enrollment management

# Statewide Budget

- First year of 3SP funding (will affect next year)
- **Unfunded FTES was actually funded**
- State is asking for 3%+ growth to keep our funding
- **Not all colleges/districts made last year's growth**

They received less money.

# Analysis

- The State of California still seeks to limit the amount of dollars spent on higher education
- The CSU's are scrambling to increase enrollment and admitting lots of students
- Performance-based funding is taking longer to roll out than legislators thought
- The goal may be to decrease the total number of colleges in our State

# VCCCD Budget

- Oxnard College now gets almost 20% of the FTES Allocation Line of the budget (up from 17.1% two years ago – more than \$600,000 more for the schedule)
- We made our growth target for Fall, 2014-15
- Moorpark and Ventura are significantly below target
- Ventura close to losing medium sized college status

# Impact of low growth on VCCCD

- Unlikely OC can make up the entire difference in growth as it did last year
- Funding overall will be less next year
- Only 25% of the budget is locally adjusted by growth
- VC Fahnestock proposed the Board set aside \$2M to cover the projected loss – for one year

# OC Budget specifics

- We still have two important grants (BSI and STEM)
- We are about to be notified about 2 more grants
- That grant money permits us to do many things outside of the district budget (we have more grant money per capita than our sister colleges)

# Looking ahead: Budget

- Prop 30 begins to sunset January, 2017
- CCC system still very dependent on **Sales Tax**
- **Local model will be unfunded by \$2M** or more next year if current growth pattern continues (use of reserves)
- Local model dictates that in 2016-17 the district as a whole take the net loss in growth money



# Why are VC and MC shrinking?

- More students going directly to CSU
- Economy is better
- Across the district, males are not enrolling in as great numbers
- Local demographics (aging population)
- Loss/redesign of outreach programs
- Enrollment management
- Repeatability/attempted phase out of non-credit courses

# Here at OC: Three reports upcoming

- 3SP report (Dean Karen Engelsen has a draft; Senate must review by Sept 22)
- Student Equity Plan (due mid-November)
  - +Webinar on Sept 5 (starring Dr. Durán and our own consultant, Brad Phillips)
- Accreditation Self-Study

# Administrative Changes

- Timelines:
  - Interim EVP interviews over, new person should be on board by early September
  - Board will approve search for Asst. Dean at September meeting; projected to be on board by January
  - Permanent EVP search will begin soon; projected to be on board by June 1, 2015

# PBC & PEPC

- PBC undertook to recommend full time positions to the President, in case such were needed: Math came in first, followed by ADS, with votes for Communication Studies and Auto Tech
- PEPC process completed; two programs were deemed in need of improvement

# District Committees

- DCHR still has no workable emergency hire procedures
- Lori Bennett will be co-chairing DTRW-I and DTRW-SS
- DCAP has scheduled regular meetings on Fridays
- International Studies may be in the future (special task force)

# Student Engagement

Latino Thought Makers Series

(This Wednesday, August 27 “East Los High” – 7pm) – part of a series

Arts & Lecture Series

Gardens!

Hispanic Performing Arts Series

Youth Conference – Nov. 7

Speech Tournament, Geo Bowl

Soccer, Basketball and Cross Country

Multicultural Day

# Student Success

- The Scorecard – Holding steady
- Institutional Effectiveness – decline in transfer rates at OC
- Getting students to do an Ed Plan and declare a major remains crucial
- We are growing despite:
  - New repeatability rules
  - Financial aid changes

# Notable problems

- We need to grow – but we are having difficulty finding adjunct teachers
- There is no current plan to add any more full time positions to our budget – adjuncts instead
- Classroom issues will continue
- D2L/Server issues being addressed; some complaints about D2L lite



# The Childcare Center



- CDR (Child Development Resources) has signed a partnership with VCCCD – will make itself available for lab observations
- Our own childcare center continues to run at a \$200,000 deficit and has exhausted its contingency account
- Employees will have the right of transfer – but it is probably going the way of the Bookstore.

# Some Senate goals for 2014-15

- More textbooks to check out (for a semester) at the library
- More people trained on Drupal
- Widespread participation in the Accreditation Self-Study
- Initiatives for health and well-being for everyone (Get MOovin; Garden...more)
- Every student with an Ed Plan & Major (SOAR)

# Summary

- We're **growing!** We may soon have as many students as we did in 2009-2010
- **Enrollment management** will continue as it has in the past (60% rule; emphasis on productivity; MC and VC want a 4 week summer session)
- Student Life is improving