Facilities and Sustainability Committee Report – March 16, 2022

There are approximately thirty-five requests of which twenty-five are space allocation requests. The committee should have time to review, prioritize, vote, and decide if people should be invited to the next meeting to speak on their requests before the March meeting. Some departments believe that requests stay in the system; moving forward we will make it clear to all departments and programs that a new request needs to be placed every year as requests do not rollover.

Tree Programming at Bakersfield Tree Move. Trees removed from the Ag Building & Horticulture Lab prior to demolition were moved to in front of Memorial Plaza & The FACE Building. Trees removed from the Ag Building & Horticulture Lab prior to demolition were moved the Campus Center & Business Building. Tree Plantings 1. We put in a total of eight Bay Laurel Trees in conjunction with repairing the irrigation system, applying mulch, putting more plants there to stabilize the slope. The Planters at CSS (Center for Student Success) Building have been replenished and irrigation system has been repaired.

Future Plans Bakersfield College was a recipient of a $86,000 grant from the Virginia and Alfred Harrell Foundation in conjunction with The Tree Foundation of Kern 2. We will conduct a formal tree inventory where we will GPS all of our trees and develop a profile on each tree with conjunction with an urban forest management plan 3. Recognition & Certification Programs 4. Additional tree plantings – one hundred-fifty on the Panorama Campus and fifty in Delano.

Bakersfield College Southwest Update Bakersfield College Southwest now open for Spring Semester, we are now occupying the space. It is continually a work in progress. Significantly better signage coming in the near future.

Delano Resource Center Construction. Construction begun January 27, 2022; it will be approximately a twenty to twenty-four month project and story building. This is a 50% state funded project and State does not pay for signage. Modulars will be removed once the building is built/

Water Management Majority of California’s water comes from the North end of the state. Seventy-five percent of water usage comes from Southern California. We are currently experiencing a drought. Starting January first there were emergency regulations passed where people will be cited if they are blatantly wasting water.