Budget Committee, Academic Senate Report
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The Budget Committee held its first meeting of 2022 on Monday, January 26th 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. via Zoom. During the school year, we meet on the fourth Monday of each month. The Budget Committee’s charge reads:

*The Bakersfield College Budget Committee is a governance committee that supports the college mission, goals, and values through comprehensive evaluation of data relevant to the college annual planning process for resource allocation and development of strategies to maximize funding.*

A brief recap of the Budget Committee’s most recent meeting follows. Please see the Budget Committee’s webpage for meeting minutes, Budget Forum presentations, and other supporting documents from past meetings.

**VP Mike Giacomini Informational Reports**
- VP Mike Giacomini provided a detailed break-down of the Governor’s proposed budget.
- He announced that Hold Harmless was extended through 2024-25.
- There was a discussion regarding the extra money from the state for the full-time faculty hires. Our FON has increased. VP Giacomini shared that we are trying to get additional funding to switch a higher percentage of adjunct faculty to full time status so they can get office hours, participate in committee work, and teach more classes which is a benefit to students.

**District-wide Budget Committee**
The DWBC is looking at the new allocation model. The different subgroups were tasked with looking at different parts of the funding model to see how their particular parts are reflected in that.

They looked at Board policy changes in chapter 6 and there was a first reading at District Consultation Council.

There was a discussion on how increases may impact reserves. This will depend on how this year’s budget comes out. Whether we propose a break-even budget and with increases we would anticipate little impact on the reserves. Should the increases of COLA outstrip our need to continue to increase our budget and depending on numbers on SCFF and whether the supplemental and success metrics come in higher, then we will have to relook at the situation.

**Budget Timeline Review**
Budget Development: BC Master Budget/Fiscal Calendar July 20 – June 22 document is posted on the Budget Committee’s 1/31/22 meeting website and the Budget Office website. The Budget Office pulled dates from the District Consultation Council 10/26/21 meeting’s FY22-23 KCCD Budget Development Calendar which covers the District timeline and internal tasks to get that budget uploaded and go to the Board for approval. Somaly Boles pulled some of those dates into the BC Master Budget/Fiscal Calendar so it would make more sense for employees who play a part in what they do for budget development.

**Next Meeting**
Monday, February 28, 2022 at 4:00pm