

PERALTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT  
**Board of Trustees Agenda Report**  
For the Trustee Meeting Date of November 9, 2010

ITEM # 18

**ITEM TITLE:**

Completion by Design

**SPECIFIC BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:**

Consider approval of Application for a Proposal to the Completion by Design Initiative

**ITEM SUMMARY:** (PLEASE DISCUSS THIS ITEM)

Laney College proposes to submit a proposal for the Completion by Design grant in partnership with City College of San Francisco, and two additional colleges.

**Funders: Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation**

**Funding Amount:** For Phase I – Planning, applicant may apply for \$410,000

Laney will work with the partnering colleges in planning and developing a model pathway to increase completion of associate degrees and certificates (with market value), and transfer to four-year institutions. Through data analysis, the colleges will evaluate at which key points students are lost, and at which points students gain momentum. Based on evaluation of this data, the goal is to introduce and develop promising practices to help students progress through community more quickly and successfully.

**Completion by Design Brief Summary**

Completion by Design is a next major step in community college reform. It is a five-year investment that will enable groups of community college campuses within states to collaborate on the design and implementation of a model pathway to completion. The model pathway will draw from the body of research and experience generated by previous initiatives and the specific circumstances of grantees to systematically implement a whole range of proven and promising practices from intake to completion. We believe that if community colleges restructure the student experience, if they build linkages and interdependencies among the systems that touch the lives of the students, and if they establish clear accountability for student success, they can dramatically and efficiently increase rates of high-quality credential completion for the target population of low-income young adults.

**SOURCE OF FUNDS (AND FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT): GENERAL FUNDS FROM THE CHANCELLOR'S BUDGET**

**OTHER DEPARTMENTS IMPACTED BY THIS ACTION (E.G. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY):**

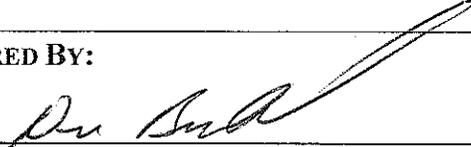
YES \_\_\_\_\_ No **XX**

**WHO WILL BE PRESENTING THIS ITEM AT THE BOARD MEETING? VICE CHANCELLOR DEBORAH BUDD**

(\*\*\*\*\*Board contract approval is subject to negotiation and execution by the Chancellor.)

**PLEASE ACQUIRE SIGNATURES IN THIS ORDER:**

**DOCUMENT PREPARED BY:**

Prepared by:   
VICE CHANCELLOR DEBORAH BUDD

Date: 11-2-10

**DOCUMENT PRESENTED AND APPROVED BY:**

Presented and approved by:   
Vice Chancellor Deborah Budd

Date: 11-2-10

**FINANCE DEPARTMENT REVIEW**

Finance review required       Finance review *not* required

If Finance review is required, determination is:       Approved       Not Approved

If not approved, please give reason: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Finance and Administration Approval

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**GENERAL COUNSEL (Legality and Format/adherence to Education Codes):**

Legal review required       Legal review *not* required

If Legal review is required, determination is:       Approved       Not Approved

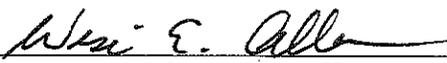
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Thuy T. Nguyen, General Counsel

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE APPROVAL**

Approved, and Place on Agenda

Not Approved, but Place on Agenda

Signature:   
Dr. Wise E. Allen, Chancellor

Date: 11/3/10