

DAS President's Report to the PCCD Board of Trustees for May 24, 2011
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Thank you, Mr. President. Good evening trustees, chancellor, all district administrative center staff, college presidents, colleagues and members of the public.

Although there are undoubtedly a few academic senate matters left to mention that warrant your attention, in an effort to avoid unnecessary personal strain, my report tonight will be brief.

As you know, during the past two years Peralta has been actively revising its district-wide shared governance processes, based on the development of a Planning and Budget Integration Model (PBIM). After more than a decade of having a confused and confusing process for making budget and governance decisions, the PBIM, evaluated and revised annually, has greater success potential than anything I've witnessed in my relatively brief time at Peralta. Without going into much detail, the model is constructed of three inter-related "subject area" committees (education, facilities and technology) and a council that integrates the recommendations from those three committees.

There are still areas in need of improvement and based, in part, on the results of the annual self-evaluative survey, hopefully changes are pending that will result in those improvements. Nonetheless, a major accomplishment this academic year, one that the Planning and Budget Council worked on for most of the year, was creating and approving a budget allocation model that is intended to address and correct funding inequities across the district. The council has forwarded this proposed budget allocation model to the chancellor, who will review, possibly revise and finally present it to you for approval soon.

I'd like to take this opportunity to acknowledge and compliment the excellent work of Vice Chancellors Budd and Gerhard, whose integrity, skill and commitment to transparent, fair and viable outcomes helped shepherd us through the transformative processes that have brought us to the present state of affairs. I can honestly and sincerely say that it has been a pleasure working with them this year.

That concludes my report for tonight. Thank you for receiving it.