

**PERALTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
Board of Trustees Agenda Report
For the Trustee Meeting Date of May 14, 2013 – Merritt College**

ITEM TITLE: *California Community College Linked Learning Initiative Grant – Merritt College.*

SPECIFIC BOARD ACTION REQUESTED: *INFORMATION/APPROVAL*

ITEM SUMMARY: *MERRITT COLLEGE HAS RECEIVED A GRANT FOR \$75,000 FROM CAREER LADDERS COMMUNITY COLLEGE LINKED LEARNING INITIATIVE. THIS GRANT IS DESIGNED TO IMPROVE COLLEGE AND CAREER OUTCOMES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS.*

SOURCE OF FUNDS (AND FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT): *CAREER LADDERS PROJECT, COMMUNITY COLLEGE LINK LEARNING INITIATIVE.*

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS: *THE CAREER LADDERS LINKED LEARNING INITIATIVE GRANT WILL PROVIDE MERRITT COLLEGE RESOURCES TO DEVELOP A PARTNERSHIP WITH LIFE ACADEMY, A LINK LEARNING HIGH SCHOOL, TO IMPLEMENT PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES TO IMPROVE COLLEGE AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS FROM UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS.*

DELIVERABLES AND SCOPE OF WORK:

- 1. THE GRANT WILL ENABLE MERRITT COLLEGE TO CREATE A PIPELINE FROM LIFE ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL TO EXPAND THE POOL OF UNDERSERVED STUDENTS WHO CHOOSE SCIENCE MAJORS.*
- 2. PARTICIPATION IN THE LINKED LEARNING INITIATIVE WILL ENABLE MERRITT COLLEGE TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO LEAVE THE COLLEGE WITH AN AS DEGREE IN SCIENCES TO BECOME TRANSFER READY, AND/OR READY SEEK EMPLOYMENT IN CTE AREAS.*
- 3. ENGAGE IN DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS IN ORDER TO MEASURE OUTCOMES AND IDENTIFY BEST PRACTICES.*

ANTICIPATED COMPLETION DATE: *JUNE 30, 2014*

ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS: *OPPORTUNITY TO APPLY FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO EXPAND TO ADDITIONAL FEEDER HIGH SCHOOLS.*

EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDED ACTION: *Approve*

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

YES _____ NO X

WHO WILL BE PRESENTING THIS ITEM AT THE BOARD MEETING? (VICE CHANCELLOR)

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

DOCUMENT PREPARED BY:

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Dr. Norma Ambriz-Galaviz, Merritt College President

Date: 5/7/13

DOCUMENT PRESENTED AND APPROVED BY:

Presented and approved by: *Michael Orkin* Date: 5/7/13
Dr. Michael Orkin, Interim Vice Chancellor Educational Services

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: _____

Signature: *Ron Gerhard* Date: 5-9-13
Ron Gerhard, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration

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: _____ Date: _____
Thuy Thi Nguyen, General Counsel

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE APPROVAL

Approved, and Place on Agenda Not Approved, but Place on Agenda

Signature: *José M. Ortiz* Date: 5-7-13
Dr. José M. Ortiz, Chancellor