

**PERALTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
Board of Trustees Agenda Report
For the Trustee Meeting Date of June 11, 2013**

ITEM TITLE: First 5 Alameda County Community College Grant-Merritt College

SPECIFIC BOARD ACTION REQUESTED: INFORMATION/APPROVAL

ITEM SUMMARY: *(PLEASE DISCUSS THIS ITEM. IF A VENDOR IS INVOLVED, PLEASE INCLUDE THE COMPANY NAME AS WELL AS THE INDIVIDUAL.)*

Merritt College has been invited to submit an RFA to apply for the First 5 Alameda County First 5 (F5AC) grant for \$175,000. This grant is designed to increase the knowledge, skills and capacity of Early Care and Education providers who serve children 0-5 and their families while institutionalizing professional development support for Early Childhood Education (ECE) providers and students.

SOURCE OF FUNDS (AND FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT): FIRST 5, ALAMEDA COUNTY.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

Merritt College Child Development Department has received funding from the Alameda County First 5 since 2005 to provide college advising, Child Development Teachers permit advising, application/renewal support, tutoring and mentoring. The grant will also provide funding for the implement an AA Degrees/transfer-ready learning community, to develop and execute a sustainability plan for institutionalized professional development support for Child Development providers.

DELIVERABLES AND SCOPE OF WORK:

THE OUTCOMES FOR THE FIRST 5 ALAMEDA COUNTY GRANT ARE:

To increase the number of students who receive Child Development Teacher Permit, Certificates and AA degrees by increasing their knowledge, skills and capacity. This will be accomplished by implementing an AA Degree/transfer-ready learning community and by providing Child Development Professional Development Advising: permit support, CARES Plus advising and Child Development advising that aligns with Student Education Plans.

To Institutionalized professional development support for ECE providers and students through developing and executing a sustainability plan that will include community partnerships, and integration of the Quality Rating Scale (QRIS) with content of CHDEV lower division courses.

ANTICIPATED COMPLETION DATE: JUNE 30, 2015

ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS: GRANT FUNDING CAN BE EXTENDED TO JUNE 30, 2016

EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve

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

YES _____ No X

COMMENTS:

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:

Prepared by: Norma Ambriz-Galaviz
[Dr. Norma Ambriz-Galaviz, Merritt College President]

DOCUMENT PRESENTED AND APPROVED BY:

Presented and approved by: Michael Orkin
[Dr. Michael Orkin, Interim Vice Chancellor of 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
Ron Gerhard, Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration

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

Legal review required for bond funds Legal review *not* required

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

Signature: _____
Thuy Thi Nguyen, General Counsel

CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE APPROVAL

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

Signature: José M. Ortiz
Dr. José M. Ortiz, Chancellor