

PERALTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
Board of Trustees Agenda Report
For the Trustee Meeting Date of February 25, 2014

ITEM TITLE:

Proposition 39 Clean Energy Workforce Program Grant

SPECIFIC BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:

Consider approval for Laney College to receive a \$350,000 award for the Proposition 39 Clean Energy Workforce Program Grant from the State Chancellor's office.

ITEM SUMMARY:

Laney College has been designated by the Bay Area Community College Consortium to lead the regional application for the Proposition 39 Clean Energy Workforce Program Grant for the region. This \$350,000 grant is for the period from March 5, 2014 to March 31, 2015. This grant will be used to hire a director, collect data for Laney and participating colleges in the region on completion of relevant degrees, certificates, and certifications, provide professional development for faculty throughout the region, and provide formula-driven program improvement funds through sub-awards to partner colleges.

SOURCE OF FUNDS:

The funding for the Proposition 39 Clean Energy Workforce Program Grant is available through the SB 73, the Clean Energy Job Creation Fund of the California Clean Energy Jobs Act.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:

The Proposition 39 Clean Energy Workforce Program grant is to be used to meet a number of key objectives including the following: to build and sustain a regional network of colleges to prepare the workforce for the energy sector to improve energy efficiency and expand clean energy generation in the built environment; to elevate the quality of instruction at colleges that have investments in education and training in the energy efficiency and renewable energy sector; incentivize through instructor stipends and other means regional cooperation in curriculum alignment, increased student access to certificates and degrees, and increased access to employment; and to build career pathways that assure student success by connecting student learning outcomes directly to employment opportunities.

DELIVERABLES AND SCOPE OF WORK:

Laney College will work collaboratively in a Bay Region network of colleges conducting workforce development in the commercial energy efficiency sector and closely related construction trades. Led by a director to be identified and hired, Laney will support colleges in the region to track and document completers of certificates, degrees and industry recognized credentials, improve MIS tracking systems, improve connections with employers, align curriculum with industry needs, improve tracking and documentation of employment entry, and align curriculum across the region. The project will also support completion of recognized apprenticeship programs in the building trades which receive college certificates. The project will support the efforts of the Energy Efficiency and Utilities Sector Navigator and Deputy Navigator for the California Community Colleges to improve energy efficiency in the built environment and work to meet AB 32 goals.

ANTICIPATED COMPLETION DATE:

The grant is for the period March 5, 2014 to March 31, 2015.

ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS:

None.

EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDED ACTION:

APPROVAL

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

YES _____ No XX

COMMENTS:

WHO WILL BE PRESENTING THIS ITEM AT THE BOARD MEETING?

Elnora T. Webb, President of Laney College

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

DOCUMENT PREPARED BY:

Prepared by: Peter Crabtree Date: 1/8/14

DOCUMENT PRESENTED AND APPROVED BY:

Presented and approved by: Elnora T. Webb Date: 1/8/14
Elnora Webb, President of Laney College

FINANCE DEPARTMENT REVIEW:

_____ Finance review required X Finance review *not* required

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

If not approved, please give reason: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Vice Chancellor for Finance and Administration

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

_____ Legal review required X 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: Jose M. Ortiz

Date: 1/8/14

José M. Ortiz, Chancellor