

**PERALTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**  
**Board of Trustees Agenda Report**  
**For the Trustee Meeting Date of January 27, 2015**

**ITEM TITLE:** *Acceptance of two grants from the Bay Area Workforce Funders Collaborative, on behalf of Laney College and Merritt College.*

**SPECIFIC BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:**

Board authorization is requested to accept a two grants totaling \$103,850 from the Bay Area Workforce Funders Collaborative (BAWFC), an entity of the San Francisco Foundation.

**ITEM SUMMARY:**

The Bay Area Workforce Funders' Collaborative, via the San Francisco Foundation, has awarded the Peralta Colleges two grants: a \$66,350 Merritt College for a grant period from January 1 – June 15, 2015. The purpose of this grant is to build out a bridge program, support services and work-based learning opportunities for Merritt's new cohort-based Bridge to Healthcare Careers program that serves as a gateway to stackable credentials in the allied health fields and a \$37,500 award to Laney College for a grant period from January 1 – June 15, 2015 for a planning grant for the Jumpstart Program in bio-manufacturing.

**SOURCE OF FUNDS (AND FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT):**

An increase of \$103,850 in revenue and expenditures in the fiscal year 2014-15 from the San Francisco Foundation and the Bay Area Workforce Funders' Collaborative. These are one-time grant funds.

**BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS:**

On July 1, 2014, the Bay Area Workforce Funding Collaborative (BAWFC) announced the release of an RFA for its 2014-2016 funding cycle. The BAWFC's RFA sought applications from the Bay Area's community colleges in specific geographic locations, specifically, San Francisco, San Mateo, Alameda, and Contra Costa counties.

The BAWFC's 2014-2016 investment strategy furthers their goal of expanding comprehensive career pathway bridge programs for adults and youth with barriers to education and employment. The BAWFC is soliciting proposals from community colleges in the selected geographic areas to build, replicate and institutionalize elements of career pathway bridge programs: (1) student support services; and (2) employer engagement and work-based learning.

All of the Peralta Colleges applied for these grants. Laney College and Merritt College were successful.

**DELIVERABLES AND SCOPE OF WORK:**

The Bay Area Workforce Funders' Collaborative, via the San Francisco Foundation, has awarded the Peralta Colleges two grants:

Merritt College: 66,350.00 for 5 months for a grant period from January 1 – June 15, 2015. The purpose of this grant is to build out a bridge program, support services and work-based learning opportunities for Merritt’s new cohort-based Bridge to Healthcare Careers program that serves as a gateway to stackable credentials in the allied health fields.

Outcomes:

1. In collaboration with the partners, design a data collection and reporting system that seamlessly tracks students from recruitment through program completion, job placement and continued enrollment using a common data tracking mechanism across all program partners
2. Design and develop a contextualized basic skills program and coordinated service delivery plan with partners for the Bridge to Healthcare Careers Program that integrates math and English remediation into the program’s structure, and the academic and social support services that students enrolling in the program will access for the Bridge to Healthcare Careers Pathway.

Activities:

1. Articulate a system that will be implemented with the partners to gather and report data and include how Merritt plans to utilize the findings from the pilot cohort that launches in Fall 2015 to improve the program.
2. Identify the expectations for students graduating from the bridge program including the competencies they will demonstrate and their transition to one of the CTE health careers pathways.
3. Clarify the roles of each partner – what they will contribute, how will they be coordinated and integrated into the bridge program and the specific processes for recruitment, assessment and enrollment.
4. Articulate the robust set of student support services (among them the Life Course program, tutoring, academic planning, etc.), how they will be integrated into the bridge program, including student support services that will be provided once students have completed the program and move into health career pathways programs and/or job placement.
5. Outline the contextualized math/English courses that will be offered within the bridge program explaining how the contextualized math skills requirement is embedded in the program, incorporating the list of allied health programs currently offered into which the bridge program feeds students, and how the Life Course program will be integrated into the required courses needed to complete the program including the length of the program and program hours.

The \$37,500 award to Laney College from January 1 – June 15, 2015 is for planning purposes for expanding the Jumpstart Program in bio-manufacturing.

**ANTICIPATED COMPLETION DATE:**

**JUNE 30, 2015**

**ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS:**

**None.**

**EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

Accept grant funds.

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

**YES** \_\_\_\_\_ **NO** \_\_\_\_\_

**COMMENTS:**

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

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

**DOCUMENT PREPARED BY:**

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**DOCUMENT PRESENTED AND APPROVED BY:**

Presented and approved by: Dr. Michael Orkin  
[Dr. Michael Orkin, 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: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Signature: Susan Rinne  
Susan Rinne, Interim 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: \_\_\_\_\_  
General Counsel

**CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE APPROVAL**

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

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