A meeting of the Santa Monica Community College Budget Planning Committee, a subcommittee of the District Planning and Advisory Council (DPAC) was held on Wednesday, September 17, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. at Santa Monica College, Library Conference Room (275), 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica, California.

I. Call to Order 2:10 p.m.

II. Budget Planning Committee Members

   Chris Bonvenuto, Administration  
   Randy Lawson, Administration (absent)  
   Eric Oifer, Academic Senate Representative  
   Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein, Academic Senate Representative  
   Mona Martin, Management Association Representative, Co-Chair  
   Leonard Crawford, Management Association Representative (absent)  
   Mitra Moassessi, Faculty Association Representative  
   Howard Stahl, Faculty Association Representative, Co-Chair  
   Bernie Rosenloecher, CSEA Representative  
   Tron Burdick, CSEA Representative (absent)  
   Leroy Lauer, CSEA Representative  
   Miguel Reyes, CSEA Representative (absent)  
   Samir Ahmed, Student Representative  
   Kamil Gazizullin, Student Representative  
   Khalid Namoos, Student Representative  
   Vicky Qian Jiang, Student Representative  

   No representatives of the public were in attendance.

III. Minutes approved as presented.

IV. Cost Comparison Analysis

   Bernie Rosenloecher presented a document showing three years of contracted services for painting. The committee recognized the difficulty in determining cost savings of hiring full-time employees instead of contracting out since there are multiple variables. Suggestions included 1) establishing a group to perform a thorough review of contracted services to discover potential cost savings and 2) performing an analysis of different areas of contracted services to see if contracting out services meets the college’s stated goals and objectives. No formal recommendation was made.

V. Vacant Positions

   There is over $3 million in the 2008-09 annual budget for vacant positions, with $2.4 million in vacant classified positions. Recognizing that it is unlikely that all positions will be filled this year, discussion took place regarding methods for prioritizing the vacant classified staff positions. No formal recommendation was made.

VI. Fiscal Services Update

   Chris Bonvenuto reported that there was still no state budget.

Adjournment at 3:47 p.m.