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, April 1, 2009 at 2:00 p.m. at Santa Monica College, Library Conference Room (275), 1900 Pico Boulevard, Santa Monica, California.

I. Call to Order  2:09 p.m.

II. Budget Planning Committee Members

Chris Bonvenuto, Administration
Jeanine Hawk, Administration
Eric Oifer, Academic Senate Representative
Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein, Academic Senate Representative, (absent)
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
Tron Burdick, CSEA Representative, (absent)
Leroy Lauer, CSEA Representative
Connie Lemke, CSEA Representative, (absent)
Bernie Rosenloecher, CSEA Representative, (absent)
Samir Ahmed, Student Representative, (absent)
Shanna Lehman, Student Representative, (absent)
Cameron Henton, Student Representative, (absent)
Vicky Qian Jiang, Student Representative, (absent)

Interested Parties:
Randy Lawson, Administration

Visiting Parties:
Ian Skjervem, Student Representative
Mike Eghbali, TCBY, Visitor

III. Review of Minutes: Minutes of March 18, 2009 approved as presented with corrections.

IV. Agenda

A. Update on Growth Funding

“Employees Hired between 1/1/08 and 1/1/09” handout
Changes were made to the document to reflect more accurately the actual number of new hires. Two hired employees from the total number were subtracted because the position had been double counted. A new document would be written to show replacement of vacant positions. The committee recognized that this information would come from a secondary source therefore accuracy may be an issue.

“California Community Colleges Advance Preliminary 2009-10 Growth Rates” and “Growth Allocation Factors” handouts were discussed. Committee discussed how growth
rate is calculated; the historical trend of SMC’s growth as compared to the projected state growth rate and SMC’s being a 1% district.

Also an updated Tentative Budget, reflecting the new grow rate information was provided for information.

B. Review Status of Cost Recommendations

“Cost Reduction Recommendation from DPAC” handout
Reduced expenditures could yield a $1 million plus savings. No agreement could be met for recommendations on the $2 million designated reserves. Campus feelings regarding the review of “ecollege” were acknowledged. Potential bond funded investment in technology as a means of long term savings was discussed, noting that savings would not be in the immediate future.

C. Next meeting scheduled for April 29, 2009 from 2:10 to 3:30pm. April 15, 2009 meeting cancelled due to spring break.

Special April 29th at 3:30pm with DPAC to discuss the Tentative Budget

Adjournment at 4:00 p.m.