

Board of Trustees Agenda Item

Board Meeting Date: March 1, 2010

Title of Item: Resolution Supporting Adequate State Funding for California Community Colleges

Background and Analysis:

At the February 1, 2010 meeting of the Board of Trustees, Student Trustee Isabelle Barrientos spoke to the Board about a resolution she would like the Trustees to support at the March Board meeting.

The proposed resolution is attached for the Board's consideration. Chancellor recommends adoption of this resolution to support adequate funding for community colleges.

Recommendation: Chancellor Linda Thor recommends adoption of this resolution to support adequate funding for community colleges.

Submitted by: Linda Thor & Isabelle Barrientos
Additional contact names:
Is backup provided? No

FOOTHILL-DE ANZA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

**RESOLUTION
SUPPORTING ADEQUATE STATE FUNDING FOR CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY
COLLEGES**

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-06

WHEREAS, over the past 18 months the California Community College system has sustained a series of funding cuts totaling more than \$840 million; and

WHEREAS, these funding cuts have had the result of causing many California community colleges to dramatically cut their class offerings, often by eliminating entire areas of study; and

WHEREAS, recent funding cuts to the University of California and California State University systems has resulted in approximately 135,000 additional students being redirected to the California Community College system this academic year; and

WHEREAS, this increase in the number of students seeking education through the California Community College system coupled with the simultaneous reduction of community college class offerings has had the effect depriving an estimated 250,000 people statewide of their abilities to pursue a higher education over the past 12 months.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the FOOTHILL-DE ANZA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT supports the advocacy efforts of California community college student, faculty, staff, and administration groups to seek adequate funding for California community colleges in particular and public education in general.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the FOOTHILL-DE ANZA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT authorizes the use of its name by California community college student, faculty, staff, and administration groups for the purpose of seeking adequate funding for the California Community College system in particular and public education in general.

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the FOOTHILL-DE ANZA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT this 1st day of March 2010, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Chancellor

Board President