



Maricopa County Community College District Governing Board Minutes March 24, 2015

An executive session and a regular meeting of the Maricopa County Community College District Governing Board were scheduled to be held beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the District Support Services Center, 2411 West 14th Street, Tempe, Arizona, pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.02, notice having been duly given.

GOVERNING BOARD

Tracy Livingston, President
Johanna Haver, Secretary
Doyle Burke, Member
Alfredo Gutierrez, Member
John Heep, Member
Jane McGrath, Member
Dana Saar, Member

ADMINISTRATION (REGULAR BOARD MEETING)

Rufus Glasper
Maria Harper-Marinick
Debra Thompson
LaCoya Shelton-Johnson
Edward Kelty
Mary O'Connor for Steve Helfgot
Lee Combs
Linda Lujan
Ernie Lara
Steven Gonzales
Greg Rogers for Irene Kovala
Shouan Pan
Paul Dale
Chris Haines for Anna Solley
Chris Bustamante
Jan Gehler
Shari Olson
Gene Giovannini

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. President Livingston moved to go into Executive Session for discussion with designated representatives for the Board for discussion or consultation for legal advice with attorneys for the board—ARS §38-431.03.A.3—Legal Case Review.

MOTION

Motion 10281

Board Member Burke made a motion to go into Executive Session. Board Member Saar seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

CALL TO ORDER

The regular board meeting was re-called to order at 6:30 p.m.

SUBSTITUTIONS

There were three substitutions for members of the CEC.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The assembly pledged allegiance to the United States of America led by Mrs. McGrath.

CLASS ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

There were no classes present.

STUDENT LIFE REPORTS

GateWay Community College (GWCC) Student Life and Leadership members approached the podium and reported on activities at the college. Members included: Anaya Williams: Chair of Student Activities Management; Arsenija Zlaticanin: Events Manager of Student Activities Management; and Zoe Aiyanna Cayetano: Chair of World Explorers Club. Anaya Williams reported on the Student Activities and Management (SAM) Council activities which included taking 32 students to a Leaders Conference in Los Angeles, CA where they were able to make connections with student leaders across the country. While there, GWCC students went to the Museum of Tolerance and learned valuable insights. SAM is supporting this year's LeaderShape, starting on May 19, which is a 6-day leadership training experience; seven students from GWCC will attend. Arsenija Zlaticanin spoke about events and activities on the campus including their Pizza with the President series, collaboration with the City of Phoenix's Neighborhood Program helping residents respond to HOA violations who cannot do the work themselves due to disability or financial hardship, Student Success Fair where students learn of all the support programs the college offers to help them complete their goals, they will be having their annual Spring Fling, and the Gekoland Carnival featuring food, fun, entertainment, and good company. Zoe Aiyanna Cayetano reported on GWCC's clubs and organizations which offer a variety of social, cultural, and academic interests. They had a club expo where students are able to gather information about the clubs on

campus. They also collected over 1,200 canned goods for the St. Mary's Food Bank. Additionally, GWCC had its first ever Fish Fry event recently; they hosted a Phi Theta Kappa Induction Ceremony, featuring two of the Arizona All-USA scholarship recipients as guest speakers; GWCC's Hispanic student organization hosted a Dia de los Muertos event featuring food and face painting; the World Explorers club hosted a 60s and 70s inspired pot luck; GWCC Student Life and Leadership opened a food pantry for students in need; sponsored pajamas and books for the Pajama Project which provides kids in shelters and crisis centers pajamas and a book for comfort; and finally, she invited Board members to attend the Gekoland Block Party event scheduled for Wednesday, March 25.

Board members thanked them for their presentation and commented in support of how they are cultivating leadership and serving as wonderful role models for tomorrow. President Livingston asked the speakers to tell her what each has gained from working so hard for GWCC. Students replied: networking and improved communication skills (Williams), networking and leadership skills (Zlaticanin), and networking and adapting to different cultures (Cayetano).

EMERITUS, AWARDS, AND RECOGNITION

Dr. Shari Olson, President of South Mountain Community College (SMCC), presented a Faculty Emeritus Distinction Award to Dr. Douglas Ferguson, Faculty, Counseling/Wellness. Dr. Ferguson started in the Maricopa District in 1981 as an academic advisor at South Mountain Community College. In 1985, he became the first full time faculty member in Health and Physical Education. He created the first curriculum in Health and P.E., expanding the course offerings in both areas. Recognizing the tremendous need for health and wellness education in the south Phoenix area, Doug was instrumental in the development of the SMCC fitness center which served and continues to serve students and members of the community. Later, the hours of the center were expanded to provide greater access. Additionally, Dr. Ferguson saw the need to have a stronger link between the instructional side of Health and P.E. and the SMCC athletic department. To that end, Doug created a number of classes in weight training, health, strength and conditioning for student athletes. Many were sport specific enhancing the collegiate experience for student athletes. In 2010, Doug was elected Division Chair by his colleagues in the Counseling, Health and Wellness Division. In that role he contributed to the overall administration of the instructional side of the campus and hired and mentored new faculty in the division. Doug was instrumental in the development and implementation of the AAA115 courses at SMCC designed to promote student success among the college's newest students. Dr. Ferguson also served the college as Director of Intercollegiate Athletics from 1982-2004. During his tenure, he expanded the number of intercollegiate teams from 6 to 12. He developed a new system of academic tracking for student athletes which played a pivotal role in the college's high graduation rate for student athletes. Under his leadership, several of the college's valedictorians were student athletes. The overall GPA of student athletes exceeded that of the student body. Additionally, through Doug's efforts, facilities were expanded and improved, the creation of athletic specialists allowed coaches to make a full time commitment to the college and its students. The college also won its first two national championships. Doug encouraged his coaching staff and players to contribute to the community. The Athletic department has been recognized by the St. Mary's Food Bank for outstanding commitment to the community.

Dr. Ferguson thanked the Board for the honor and said he would like to share a few secrets to foster future success. He noted that SMCC was completed in 1981 and was the last college to have a full gymnasium. Before classes were held on campus, they were held nearby at the Holy Family Catholic Church. He remembered teaching classes in rooms that also held coffins sometimes and joked how students were just 'dying to get in to class.' He said he has always felt that employees should have an exit interview before leaving to share high points and lessons learned. He acknowledged his sorrow over the loss of two baseball players killed in a school van accident but noted that District policy changed in response to the tragedy—moving toward the use of chartered buses for travel. He shared some of his high points with the Board: the Under Secretary of Education came to SMCC to learn more about the Dynamic Learning Program created by Ms. Jacqueline Jaap and Dr. Yvonne Montiel; fellow employee Ms. Alice Conkright, history professor, went on Jeopardy once and won a lot of money; SMCC presents Handel's Messiah every year for the past 23 years featuring the work of Dr. Jerome Garrison; and SMCC has won four national golf championships. He then thanked the Board for its time.

CITIZEN'S INTERIM

There were two requests to address the Board.

1. Dan Demland, representing himself
2. Dr. Charles Townsell, representing the NAACP State Conference

Mr. Demland stated he was a registered architect and adjunct faculty at Phoenix College in the AEC Program. He said his program was targeted for shut down without notice. This decision will affect 9% of the student body at PC or approximately 671 students. Many of the classes in the program are not offered at other colleges in the district. When the announcement was made in October, he asked to speak with the President; when the meeting occurred, the facts he presented did not sway the decision. He feels the decision to close the program was due to a deteriorated relationship with the previous director. If that is the case, he feels that is it also a failure of college leadership who was unable to get the previous director to do the work. He feels this has had a long-time agenda, citing the college’s decision not to fill empty positions, and he believes students are being adversely affected. He has had more classes cancelled this semester than in any other and he believes it is due to students’ upset at the close of the program. He believes students don’t know what is going on and that time is of the essence as the Board seeks counsel on this issue. He learned in the EDU250 course that his syllabus acts as a contract between instructor and student and that, similarly, the college handbook represents a contract between the college and students for programs offered. If the college goes forward with its decision it could result in a class action suit. His major issue is with his belief of how the decision was dishonestly presented. He was told the program was closing due to low enrollment but a recent report showed it was one of the fastest growing programs at PC. He feels this matter should be discussed in a public forum, not behind closed doors. He mentioned that a potential partnership with the PUHSD had to break off because of the decision. He thanked the Board for its time after asking once more for the Board to review the issue.

Dr. Charles Townsel remarked that he has been on the firing line in support of equal opportunity for everybody for most of his life. He noted that the group he represents, the Maricopa NAACP, just voted in a White president because it is an integrated group, created by an integrated group, and he’s been involved with it for a very long time (1983). He provided handouts to the Board showing the history of his communication with the MCCCDC about the issue of African Americans in high administration positions. He is still concerned that there are no Black people in these positions, especially Black presidents. He then reminded the Board of his previous support of Dr. Cleopatria Martinez’s grievance and asked the Board to consider, again, her plight. He closed by saying he wants to see equality and some Black faces at the administrative level and justice for Dr. Martinez. He asked again to be put on the agenda so the Board could discuss the issues with him.

CHANCELLOR

Chancellor Rufus Glasper remarked these are unprecedented times for the urban community college districts in Arizona (Maricopa and Pima). As of July 1, MCCCDC will receive no appropriations from the State and the Maricopa Community Colleges will no longer be in state statute. He said he understands the state’s desire to balance its budget but he takes seriously the action taken by the legislature. He wants to scale up discussions on how to replace the missing funding. Over the next few months, he will bring to the Board new strategies and ask for its input. Strategies will include philanthropy, partnerships with private organizations, etc. He said the message is clear that Maricopa’s future is in its own hands.

FACULTY EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (FEC) REPORT

Mr. Keith Heffner, President of the Faculty Association, thanked the Board for the opportunity to have a conversation at the March 10 Work Session and said they would love to do it again.

ADJUNCT FACULTY ASSOCIATION (AFA) REPORT

There was no report.

EMPLOYEE GROUP

There were no reports.

APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

President Livingston then requested a motion to approve the Order of the Agenda.

MOTION

Motion 10282

Board Member Saar made a motion to approve the Order of the Agenda. Board Member Burke seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

President Livingston asked if anyone wanted to remove any items from the consent agenda. No items were removed.

The following items were included in the Consent Agenda:

10.1 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 24, 2015 REGULAR BOARD MEETING AND MARCH 10, 2015 AGENDA REVIEW AND WORK SESSION

11.1 APPROVAL OF CURRICULUM—the curriculum proposals attached have been processed through all procedures established by the Maricopa Community Colleges; it is recommended that the proposals be approved as submitted.

12.1 APPROVAL OF SOUTHERN AVENUE STREETScape PHASE II IMPROVEMENT EASEMENTS TO THE CITY OF MESA, ARIZONA, MESA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SOUTHERN AND DOBSON CAMPUS—grant two public utility and improvement easements, and a temporary construction easement, to the City of Mesa, Arizona, to provide Phase II streetscape improvements along Southern Avenue at Mesa Community College.

12.2 APPROVAL OF SALE OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 8705 EAST MCDOWELL ROAD, SCOTTSDALE, AZ— approve the sale of 8705 East McDowell Road, Scottsdale, AZ to KB Holmes in the amount of \$xx, including a term in the sale that would require the district to pay a non-performance penalty (default) payment in the remote chance that SCC/MCCCD wrongfully fails or refuses to perform its obligations under the contract for sale, after Board approval of the sale and signing of the contract.

MOTION

Motion 10283

Board Member Burke moved for approval of the Consent Agenda. Board Member Saar seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

13.1 APPROVAL OF AUTHORIZATION TO SPONSOR A SINGLE CHARTER SCHOOL—exercise the statutory authorized granted under Arizona Revised Statutes §15-183-C for the purposes of sponsoring a single charter school contingent upon establishing the appropriate MCCC structures and identifying the required MCCC expertise to perform the statutory responsibilities of a charter school sponsor.

MOTION

Motion 10284

Board Member Burke moved for approval of Item 13.1. Board Member Gutierrez seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

14.1 APPROVAL OF EMCC FIVE ACRE LAND PURCHASE—consideration of the purchase of a five (5) acre vacant land parcel owned by West Valley Arts Council's for \$435,000. The current market value of the land has been appraised by Terry Smith & Associates on October 7, 2014. The property is an "Island" parcel situated at the northwest corner of the Estrella Mountain (EM) campus and is completely surrounded by MCCC owned land; see the attached Estrella Mountain site plan. A perpetual easement exists between the Art's Council and the District that permits access ingress/ egress and utilities across District owned land. This site provides the College with a potential to develop additional classroom and partnership facilities, as well as future parking to offset un-planned land usage for the college's new solar PV array.

MOTION

Motion 10285

Board Member Gutierrez moved for approval of Item 14.1. Board Member Saar seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

14.2 APPROVAL OF JOB ORDER CONTRACTING PURCHASE ORDER TO REMODEL THE 2ND FLOOR OF THE EMERALD POINT BUILDING DISTRICT OFFICE—approve a Job Order Contract (JOC) purchase order in an amount not to exceed Three Hundred Fifteen Thousand and no/100ths Dollars (\$315,000.00) to Caliente Construction, Inc. to remodel portions of the 2nd Floor of the Emerald Point Building at the District Office.

MOTION

Motion 10286

Board Member Saar moved for approval of Item 14.2. Board Member Burke seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

14.3 APPROVAL OF DENTAL CLINIC & SIMULATION LAB EQUIPMENT PURCHASE FOR THE NEW PHOENIX COLLEGE CENTER FOR EXCELLENCE IN HEALTHCARE—approve the a contract award in the amount of Four Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand Ninety-Six dollars and 44/100ths (\$494,096.44) to Patterson Dental (Phoenix Branch) for dental clinical equipment at the new Phoenix College Center for Excellence in Healthcare Education.

MOTION

Motion 10287

Board Member Saar moved for approval of Item 14.3. Board Member Burke seconded. Motion

passed 7-0.

14.4 APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AWARD TO REMODEL THE BUSINESS EDUCATION (BE) AND CHILD CARE (CC) BUILDINGS SOUTH MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY COLLEGE—approve a contract award in the amount of Four Hundred Thirty Nine Thousand and 00/100ths Dollars (\$439,000.00) to Jokake Construction Services, Inc. to remodel the Child Care (CC) Building and the eastern portion of the Business Education (BE) Building at South Mountain Community College.

MOTION

Motion 10288

Board Member Gutierrez moved for approval of Item 14.4. Board Member Burke seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

14.5 APPROVAL OF GATEWAY EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL PROPOSED BUDGET REVISION ADOPTION FY 2014-2015—adopt the 2014-2015 proposed budget for Gateway Early College High School (GWECHS) in the amount of \$2,029,356.00.

MOTION

Motion 10289

Board Member Saar moved for approval of Item 14.5. Board Member Burke seconded. Motion passed 7-0.

FIRST READING ITEMS

15.1 REVIEW OF PROPOSED POLICY LANGUAGE REVISIONS (HOUSEKEEPING)—approve the proposed changes to Board Policy as noted below:

Recommended Changes to Format

- All Acronyms defined within the text, create a glossary (print) and hyperlink or pop-up menu with definition (web)
- 1.0-1.4: Metrics moved out of policy—administrative document; place on Institutional Effectiveness web along with the Outcomes Monitoring Report
- 4.4: Remove Annual Planning Calendar Template (4.4.4); maintain as administrative document
- Make housekeeping changes (i.e., title case, missing punctuation, correct typos, and minor grammatical corrections as noted in red.) including the removal of specific dates so policy language does not have to be amended annually for such items.

16.1 REVIEW OF PRELIMINARY PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2015-16 BUDGET—The General Fund, Current Auxiliary Fund, Current Restricted Fund, and Plant Fund total \$1.5 billion. The final adoption of the proposed budget and related Truth in Taxation proposal is scheduled for May 26, 2015. A copy of the presentation is included in the appendix.

INFORMATION ITEMS

17.1 REVIEW OF EMPLOYMENTS (NEW HIRES, SPECIALLY FUNDED, AND SHORT-TERM)—in accordance with employee group policies, the listed personnel actions were approved (February 1-28 2015). Budget approvals have been granted and are on file for the recommended personnel actions in this item.

17.2 REVIEW OF SEPARATIONS—in accordance with employee group policies, the listed personnel actions were approved (February 1-28, 2015). Budget approvals have been granted and are on file for the recommended personnel actions in this item.

MONITORING REPORTS

18.1 BUDGET ANALYSIS REPORT, FUND 1—GENERAL UNRESTRICTED FUND FOR THE EIGHT MONTHS ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 2015—Expenditure analysis indicates 50.9% of the budget has been expended this year as compared to 55.4% expended at this same point last year. 26.2% of the budget remained unexpended or unencumbered compared to 20.1% in the prior year. Revenue analysis indicated that 67.1% of the budget has been recognized as compared to 68.1% in the prior year. The projected fund balance will increase by ~\$2.2M this fiscal year and the projected ending fund balance for June 2015 is \$166.3M. The District should meet its financial stability requirements.

BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Burke reported he attended the Mesa Community College luncheon with the HLA Accreditation Team, along with the rest of the Board. He attended the SBDC luncheon at the State Capital along with Mrs. Haver and Mr. Saar where they heard some truly wonderful stories. His favorite was from a veteran who started a landscaping company and now employs other veterans.

Mr. Gutierrez reported he attended the hearing on the DACA student case which he thought was very well done—well defended by Mary O’Grady. A ruling is anticipated within a month. He noted that he helped organize a Latino Conference, as mentioned by Mrs. Haver. In 2013, a report was published stating that the majority of K-12 students identified as Latino and that number has

increased every year—this became the theme of the conference. He said that the state legislature’s decision to cut the largest community college system out of its budget is a call to action. In his meetings with businesses in the community, many feel the state’s decision is a dereliction of responsibility by the legislature and it has caused alarm in the business community. Maricopa is the largest provider of workforce development and university transfer in the state. To ignore MCCC is detrimental and the business community is not going to stand for it. In this action, they have spurred business, Latino, and academic communities to action like never before and their voices will be heard.

Mrs. Haver reported she has had an amazing month. She recently attended the Ballad of Downtown Jake at Paradise Valley Community College, an original musical created by two PVCC faculty members. She has visited Chandler-Gilbert, Glendale, and Phoenix College. She says she feels elated every time she visits a campus as she encounters so many people committed to students and education.

Mr. Heep reported he has had many interesting tours, including a recent tour of Paradise Valley Community College where he got to meet all staff on campus! He noted their enthusiasm was overwhelming and he especially enjoyed learning of the golf course right next door. He attended a recent Audit and Finance Committee meeting (his first) and learned the committee consists of a select group from throughout the county representing every economic area. He remarked people should be proud of its representation and noted they are prepared to address issues and adapt to future trends.

Mrs. McGrath reported she accompanied Mr. Heep on his college tours, with a highlight being her tour of PVCC where she saw a number of baseball scouts grading PV’s players. She is an avid baseball aficionado. She was very impressed with PVCC’s athletics department.

Mr. Saar congratulated the men’s and women’s basketball teams at Phoenix College. He remarked that he had attend the first Robotics Regional Competition in Phoenix recently where the self-proclaimed ‘nerds’ showcased their robots. This event is best remembered by the Carl Haydon team which won against MIT. The event has grown so large it has overgrown its past venues and now has to be split in two. The second half will be held in Grand Canyon University’s Field House in a couple of weeks. After that, student winners will go to the national competition in St. Louis, MO.

Mrs. Livingston reported she had the opportunity to lighten her load a bit and had the thrill to spend her Spring Break with bronchitis. She had to cancel many of her scheduled college visits but she looks forward to seeing all campuses before the end of June. She has visited GWCC, PC, and will next go to PVCC. She asks the colleges to help keep her busy this summer.

VICE CHANCELLOR

There were no reports.

COLLEGE

There were no reports.

AADGB

There was no report.

ASBA AND ACCT

There was no report.

NEXT BOARD MEETINGS

President Livingston then announced the following future meetings.

- April 14, 2015, 5:00 p.m., Board Policy Committee Meeting, M134
- April 14, 2015, 6:00 p.m., Agenda Review, Governing Board Room
- April 14, 2015, 7:00 p.m., Work Session, Governing Board Room
- April 28, 2015, 5:00 p.m., Board Budget and Finance Committee Meeting, TBA
- April 28, 2015, 6:30 p.m., Regular Board Meeting, Governing Board Room

ADJOURNMENT

President Livingston adjourned the regular board meeting at 7:49 p.m.

Appendix

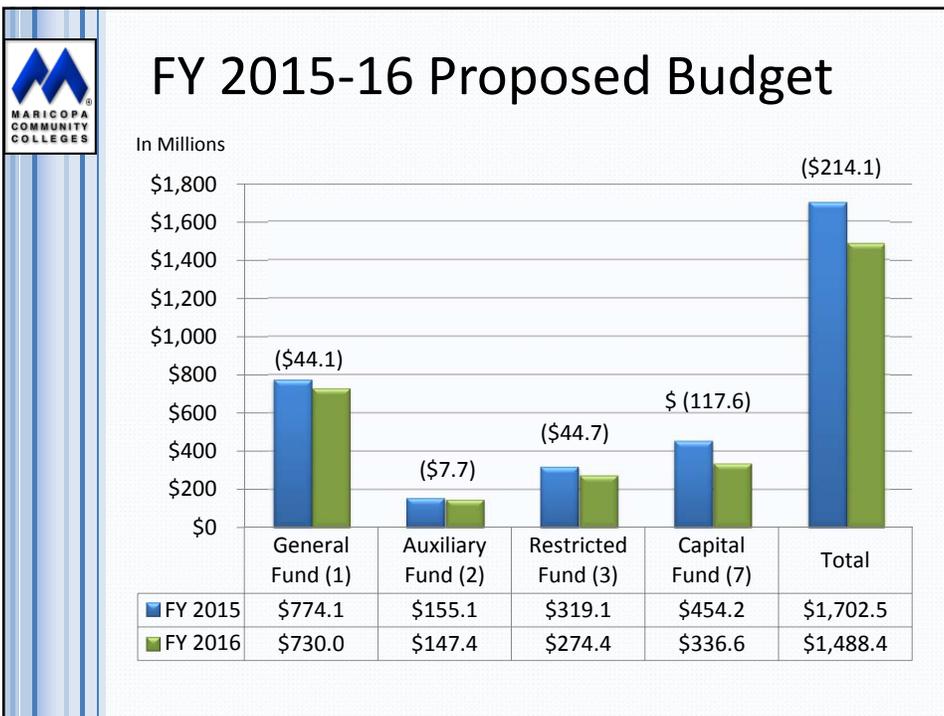
FY2016 Budget Overview



Maricopa Community Colleges

FY 2015-16 Budget

March 24, 2015



FY 2015-16 Projected Sources/Uses

New Revenue/Resources	Amount
- New Construction	\$ 7,369,853
- SRP In Lieu	(170,503)
State Aid	(7,409,500)
Tuition & Fees/Other	(611,876)
Reallocation: Uncollected Tax/ASRS	2,427,081
TOTAL Allocable Revenue	\$ 1,605,055

Priority Expenses	Amount
Employees Manual (Anniv, Educ, Fac PG step incr)	\$ 800,000
Operating & Maintenance Cost for Technology	805,055
TOTAL Allocation	\$1,605,055

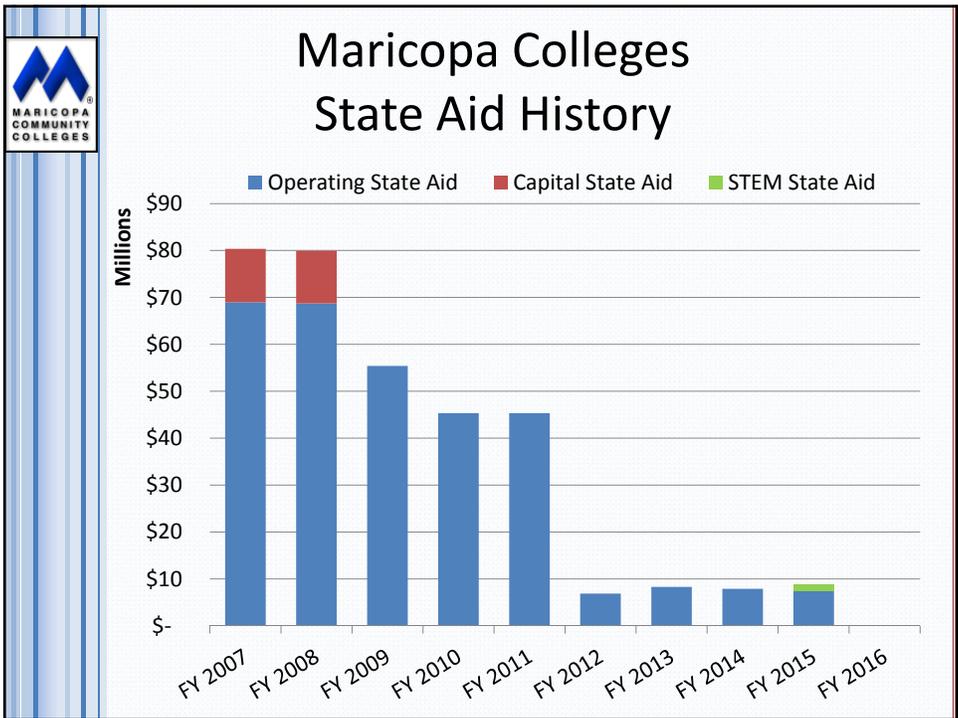




Maricopa Colleges Tuition & Tax Increases

Year	Tuition Increase?	2% Tax Levy?
FY08-09	Yes	Yes
FY09-10	NO	NO
FY10-11	NO	NO
FY11-12	Yes	Yes*
FY12-13	NO	NO
FY13-14	Yes	Yes
FY14-15	Yes	Yes
FY15-16	NO	NO

*NOTE: in FY11-12, lost \$38.4 million in State Aid; also used 1% of prior year unused levy





Questions?

