Agenda Item: 3.3

Subject: Approval of Modification to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Acceptance of Grant Award – U.S. Department of Labor Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training (TAACCCT) Between the Contra Costa Community College District and Chabot-Las Positas Community College District

Background: The Contra Costa Community College District and the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District entered into a Memorandum of Understanding on January 15, 2013 approving and accepting a grant award – U.S. Department of Labor Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training (TAACCCT). The agreement is part of a U.S. Department of Labor Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training grant that supports the Design it - Build it – Ship it (DBS) project, a regional workforce initiative that strengthens career pathway training in advanced manufacturing, transportation/logistics, and engineering to build a stronger regional workforce system. The grant represents an unprecedented opportunity for the San Francisco East Bay Area to build accelerated, intensive and regionally articulated programs of study so that TAA-eligible, dislocated workers, Veterans and/or unemployed adults can earn degrees or credentials in these industries.

The initial Memorandum of Understanding did not include Las Positas College. Contra Costa Community College District now wishes to include Las Positas College as a college partner. The Contra Costa Community College District has allocated Las Positas College $120,000 from the $1,401,000 maximum allowed per the Memorandum of Understanding. Chabot College will continue to receive up to $1,281,000. At Las Positas College, grant funds will pay for implementing activities with Contra Costa Community College District and multiple partners as part of the DBS Consortium. Funds will support project staffing and instruction for Advanced Manufacturing (specifically Engineering Technology).

The term of the Memorandum of Understanding is from October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2015.

Recommended Action: That the Board of Trustees approves the proposed Modification to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and accepts the grant award for the U.S. Department of Labor Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training (TAACCCT) between Contra Costa Community College District and Chabot-Las Positas College Community College District in the amount of $1,401,000 for the period of October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2015. It is further recommended that the Board authorize the Vice Chancellor, Business Services, to execute the MOU on behalf of the District.