

Las Positas College Academic Senate Resolution for Budget Accountability
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Whereas, The State of California holds all community college districts, including the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District, accountable for budget allocations from the State;

Whereas, Under Board Policy 2200, the Board of Trustees for the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District is responsible for representing the public interest and assuring fiscal health and stability of the District;

Whereas, each year, the Board of Trustees adopts a budget for the District, which includes budgets for both Colleges, for the District Office, and for Maintenance and Operations;

Whereas, In 2016-17, Chabot College overspent its allotted budget by over \$2.5 million dollars, which is over 1% of Chabot College's total budget;

Whereas, October 24, 2017, Minutes from the Board of Trustees for the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District state that "In 2016/17 Chabot had a structural deficit of \$3.2 million ending the year with a \$2.5 million negative balance; Under the Budget Allocation Model (BAM), Chabot is to restore its Ending Balance;"

Whereas, October 24, 2017, Minutes from the Board of Trustees for the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District further state that Chabot is to rebuild reserves to cover this negative balance "over the next five years;"

Whereas, March 20, 2018, Minutes from the Board of Trustees for the Chabot-Las Positas Community College District indicate that Chabot College is projecting a surplus of approximately \$428,000 and that amount would be used to rebuild Chabot's reserves;

Whereas, Rebuilding Chabot's reserves quickly is commendable; it is also required under the October 24, 2017 plan;

Whereas, No provision has been made for paying back the district for the amount used to cover Chabot's shortfall;

Whereas, A review and analysis of the cause of the overspending and failure of internal control processes, policies, and procedures would help to ensure that future overspending be avoided by all in the District;

Resolved, That the Academic Senate of Las Positas College requests that the Board of Trustees appoint a task force with members from the Board of Trustees and the District

Office and members from shared governance groups at Chabot College and Las Positas College to review, analyze, and issue a report about the overspending by Chabot College in 2016-17;

Resolved, That the Academic Senate of Las Positas College requests that the terms of repayment and the rationale for the terms be included in the report;

Resolved, That at no time shall budgetary restraints be placed on Las Positas College to assist Chabot in this payback.

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