

Grants Committee Meeting Minutes
May 25, 2016
CSS 219

Present:

- III. Minutes : Approval of the 4.27.16 minutes to review. Hortencia Cuevas moved to approve, Gustavo Ocegueda 2nd the motion.
- IV. Action Items: Gustavo moved to approve and accept the discussion of action items, Lorena 2^d.
- a. Upward Bound Proposal - Eva Amezola brought forward two proposals. The first was the renewal of the three Upward Bound Grants, Centennial, Corona and Norte Vista. The second proposal was for a new Upward Bound Grant for La Sierra high school. The Upward Bound proposal services include: Academic Tutoring, Academic Advising, Financial Aid assistance, financial literacy, exposure to cultural events and activities. Miriam Alonso and Eva Amezola discussed both renewal and new proposals. La Sierra high school is a part of Alvord Unified School district and the demographics of students served there are very similar to Norte Vista. Due the new school that opened in Riverside, "Hillcrest" high school, many students left La Sierra which resulted in a demographic shift. There is now a new need for La Sierra high school to have Upward Bound due to the redistricting. Eva Amezola presented the Upward Bound proposal at the Alvord Unified School District board meeting on may 17th. The superintendent of the district is very supportive of upward bound. New model of Upward Bound includes, two directors and two full time outreach specialists. Office specialists will be at Norco once a week and in the field during the rest of the week. Project budget is 250k-307k annually and does not include 8% indirect fees. Gustavo called for the motion to approve, Hortencia accepted and Tim Russell 2nd. Vote carried. No abstentions.
 - b. HSI-STEM Lorena Patton presented on the Title III HSI STEM proposal. Gustavo Ocegueda moved to discussion and Time ~~Ball~~ 2nd. The HSI STEM focuses on strengthening transfer in engineering and matriculation in STEM. The award is 6 million dollars over a budget period of 2016-2021. The grant will have an academic, outreach and research component, and focus on (1) Accelerating success and completion in STEM track mathematics course sequences (2) Strengthening engineering pathways and increasing enrollment in STEM degree programs for underrepresented populations including low-income and Hispanic students. (3) Increasing retention, transfer and career preparation in engineering and (4) Increasing collaboration with middle and high schools, four-year colleges/universities and STEM industry partners. Lorena discussed the 37.5% indirect and Erin Powers asked a question regarding that number was agreed upon. She also asked why there were 2 part time student success coaches being hired as opposed to one full time position. The rationale behind it was that the coaches would be assigned to different campuses and 1 person would not be able to account to all service area high schools and STEM specific populations. Lorena suggested a motion to approve the grant,

Hortencia Cuevas supported, Stan Tyler², vote carried with no abstentions.

V. Information Items

- a. National Science Foundation (NSF)– Colleen presented on the National Science Foundation grant. Norco College currently has received a “recommended for funding” status. The total grant award is \$4 million dollars over a 5-year budget period with Kevin Fleming serving 35% as the Principal investigator, Colleen serving 100% as the project director and Elena Santa Cruz serving 90% as the Grants Administrative Specialist. The project includes sub awardees such as Sinclair community college, Houston community college and piedmont. The goal of the project is to increase the number of skills supply chain technicians in the region. The new work plan includes a national symposium and a massive rebranding effort. The supply chain automation component will also now focus on veterans and establishing national industry certification.
- b. Foster Youth Weingart Foundation Grant - Koji Uesugi presented on the foster youth grant. The grant is a total of \$180k to be split across 3 colleges, Norco, RCC and Moreno Valley. A letter of inquiry was submitted a few months ago and Norco 7 >>BDIB