

## The Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges

PRESENTED TO THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

DATE: July 17, 2017

SUBJECT: Guided Pathways Grant Program		Item Number: 2.3	
		Attachment: No	
CATEGORY:	Institutional Effectiveness	TYPE OF BOARD	
		CONSIDERATION:	
Recommended By:	10	Consent/Routine	
	Julie Julie	First Reading	
	Theresa Tena, Vice Chancellor		
Approved for		Action	Х
Consideration:	VIQQ	Information	
	Eloy Ortiz Oakley, Chancellor		

**ISSUE:** This item requests the Board of Governors approve the allocation formula for the Guided Pathways Grant Program outlined in the Education Trailer Bill (Senate Bill 85, Chapter 23, Statutes of 2017).

**BACKGROUND:** Recently enacted statute creates the California Community College Guided Pathways Grant Program under the administration of the Chancellor's Office. California Education Code § 88920 specifies:

Grants awarded are intended to ensure all of the following:

- Integration of existing student-success programs and services
- Building of capacity at community colleges for data analysis, leadership, planning, and implementation related to institutional change
- Development of clearly structured, coherent guided pathways programs for all entering students for purposes of improving student outcomes, reducing time to degree, increasing the ability of students to obtain high-paying jobs

The Board of Governors, shall allocate funds using criteria outlined in statute:

- Up to 10% of the total funds for statewide assistance and programmatic support
- Of the funds remaining, grants distributed in the following manner
  - o 20% equally among all participating colleges
  - o 35% based upon full time equivalent students
  - o 45% based upon the number of students receiving federal Pell Grants
  - o Additional criteria may be utilized with concurrence from DOF

By July 1, 2018 and each fiscal year thereafter until 2022, the Chancellor shall report on program progress for the system.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** It is recommended the Board of Governors approve the funding allocation criteria described in this item.

**ANALYSIS:** After reviewing the funding allocation formula outlined in statute, Chancellor's Office staff concurred in the overall approach. However, to ensure that small colleges receive sufficient funding to implement the initiative, they recommend a minor modification to allow small colleges to receive a minimum allocation. This additional factor has been shared with the Department of Finance, as specified in statute, and they have concurred in the modification.