Informational Hearing

Governor Schwarzenegger's Higher Education Bond Proposal

A Review of the Policy Issues in California Higher Education Infrastructure Investments

February 1, 2006 9:30 a.m. State Capitol, Room 444

9:30 a.m. Governor Schwarzenegger's Bond Proposal for Higher Education (Tab 1)

Alan Bersin Secretary of Education

Fred Klass Department of Finance

Jeannie Oropeza Department of Finance

9:50 a.m. An Overview of the Policy Issues Impacting Long-term Investments in California's Higher Education Infrastructure (Tab 2)

Mac Taylor Legislative Analyst's Office

Kevin Woolfork (**Tab 3**) Budget Policy Coordinator, California Postsecondary Education Commission

10:05 a.m. An Overview of the Infrastructure Needs of California's Colleges and Universities

Fred Harris (**Tab 4**) California Community College Chancellor's Office

Karen Y. Zamarripa (**Tab 5**) Assistant Vice Chancellor, Advocacy and Institutional Relations Debora Obley (**Tab 6**) Assistant Vice President for Budget, University of California

10:20 a.m. Discussion of Specific Policy Issues Impacting Investments in California's Higher Education Infrastructure

Larry Aull Director of State Planning, University of California President's Office

Fred Harris California Community College Chancellor's Office

Vi San Juan Assistant Vice Chancellor, Capital Planning, Design and Construction, California State University Chancellor's Office

Kevin Woolfork Budget Policy Coordinator, California Postsecondary Education Commission

Topics:

- Multiple use of facilities Current legislation includes intent language that UC, CSU and the CCC should consider the inclusion of facilities that may be used by more than one segment of public higher education. What is the existing practice in "joint use facilities"? What is the potential for this approach in the future?
- 2) Efforts to reduce seismic hazards in buildings Current legislation requests the UC, CSU, and CCC to prioritize the seismic retrofitting needed to reduce existing seismic hazards. How significant is this problem on the campuses? What funding level is needed to accomplish this goal? What is the priority schedule for addressing this issue?
- 3) **Criteria used to prioritize projects** What priorities are used by the systemwide office to identify and prioritize needed capital projects, as you develop the system's five year capital outlay plan?
- 4) **Higher education space standards (Tab 7)** California's existing space utilization standards for higher education facilities were developed and adopted in the 1970's, and these standards are now the oldest in the country. What is the impact of these old standards on the institutions? Are more modern space utilization standards needed for California's college and universities?
- 5) **Instructional technology** (**Tab 8**) During the past decade, the use of technology in the delivery of instruction (distance education and technology medical instruction) has increased dramatically in higher education in California and across the country. How extensive is this effort on the campuses, and what impact does this have on the costs of construction?

6) **Deferred maintenance needs of California Public Higher Education (Tab 9)** – California Postsecondary Education Commission has estimated the current backlog in needed deferred maintenance is in excess of \$2.2 billion. According to the Legislative Analyst's Office, the "current system of funding ongoing maintenance and deferred maintenance creates counterproductive fiscal incentives that encourage the systems to defer needed maintenance." What is the best strategy to address this priority?

11:30 a.m. **Public Comment**

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