



**Board of Directors
Budget Committee Meeting**

*Thursday, March 11, 2010
5:30 p.m.
Edgewood Campus Conference Room*

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jeff Groob	Rick Jordan (Board Chair)
Ken Paul (Budget Committee Chair)	Dee Wright (Committee Member)

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mike Baker	Dr. Ed Hughes
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The meeting was called to order by Committee Chairman Ken Paul at 5:34 p.m. in the conference room at the Edgewood Campus of Gateway Community and Technical College. Mr. Paul noted that the meeting materials had been previously distributed by mail. Mr. Paul asked Mr. Baker to review the quarterly budget report. Mr. Baker reported that the college revenues will exceed projections and that planned expenditures will be in line with projections. The anticipated fund balance will be slightly decreased due to the planned use of reserves for the year.

Dr. Hughes noted that the percentages of the expenditures for instruction, academic support, and student services have increased as planned over the last five years.

Mr. Jordan and Mr. Groob asked that benchmark data be provided that compares the college budget expenditure and revenues to KCTCS and national data. Dr. Hughes indicated that financial comparisons are difficult to find, but he would ask for assistance from the American Association of Community Colleges and KCTCS. Rick Jordan moved and Jeff Groob seconded the motion to accept the quarterly financial report.

Mr. Baker and Dr. Hughes presented the proposed 2010-2011 Revenue and Expenditure Plan which is attached to the permanent minutes. Dr. Hughes noted that the budget assumptions contain several "best guesses" with regard to revenue. The tuition rate is estimated to be 4% pending KCTCS Board of Regents action, and the state allocation is estimated based on a 1.5% reduction which was one area of agreement in recent budget plans of the Kentucky General Assembly.

Mr. Groob stated that he was not in favor of the plan and had concerns in the following four areas: 1) the lack of benchmark data; 2) the lack of budget variances; 3) the lack of transparency regarding budget allocations, and; 4) the lack of information on how priorities are set.

The committee discussed the budget assumptions further and requested additional information regarding the security charge which Dr. Hughes agreed to supply to the Board.

Mr. Paul recommended that the committee move the revenue and expenditure plan forward to the full Board, and that financial benchmark data be developed and shared with the committee in the fall. Mr. Jordan moved that the 2010-2011 Revenue and Expenditure Plan be approved and forwarded to the full Board for approval. Dee Wright seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Chairman Paul adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Dr. Ed Hughes, acting recording secretary.

Dr. Ed Hughes

Date

Ken Paul, Chairman

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