CHABOT-LAS POSITAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

May 17, 2011

Agenda Item: 4.4

Subject:Approval for Travel Study Tour-"Faces of Cuba" and Agreement with
Global Exchange Reality Tours, Chabot College

<u>Background:</u> Chabot College continues its commitment to students through its specific learning goals which focus on global and cultural involvement by offering students the opportunity to explore their continued studies through worldwide travel. This educational travel study program increases cultural enrichment, political, and historical awareness through direct first-hand experience. This specific Travel Study Program trip to Cuba is titled "Faces of Cuba". The course will be offered during Winter Break, December 30, 2011 –January 12, 2012.

The cost per participant for the Cuba travel study program is estimated at \$2,750.00, based on a minimum of 20-25 participants, excluding airfare. The program includes accommodations, guides, ground transportation activities and meals. A deposit of \$1,000 is required with application and final payment due 45 days in advance of travel.

The Study Travel Program examines Cuba are relative to the disciplines of history anthropology and archaeology. Participants will gather information through direct and participatory observation. Moreover, the contemporary issues facing the United States today surrounding immigration and international relations are extremely relevant for our students and communities we serve.

The Board of Trustees has previously approved travel agreements with Global Exchange to Mexico on February 19, 2008 under item 4.3 and 4.4, February 24, 2004 under Item 4.5 and 4.6, August 19, 2003 under item 4.1, October 15, 2002 under item 4.7, September 18, 2001 under item 4.3. March 20, 2001 under item 4.4 and August 15, 2000 under item 4.2.

<u>Recommended Action</u>: That the Board of Trustees approves the proposed travel study tour "Faces of Cuba" and the agreement with Global Exchange Reality Tours, Chabot College. It is further recommended that the Board authorize the Vice Chancellor, Business Services, to execute the agreement and any future augmentations or amendments to the agreements on behalf of the District.

Approved: Joel L. Kinnamon/Date

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