## CHABOT-LAS POSITAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

January 19, 2016

Agenda Item: 4.5

Subject: Acceptance of the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) Rural Community College Funding Development Initiative Grant, Las Positas College

<u>Background</u>: Las Positas College was selected to participate in the Rural Community College Funding Development Initiative, which is led by the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) and AACC's affiliate council, the Rural Community College Alliance (RCCA). The grant will help Las Positas College to bring together the various agriculturally based economies from the Livermore Valley and develop new programs that link courses at the college to the needs of the local economy. By providing new programs in vocational ESL, water conservation, and viticulture, LPC will be able to support the existing workers in the vineyards as well as bring new workers to the vineyards with skills that match the needs of the employers.

The college will receive: Regular technical assistance by RCCA and AACC on identifying, implementing and leveraging collaborative opportunities with local and state level agricultural cooperatives (12/2015-9/2016) and \$25,000 for general initiative support, based on the budget submitted in the application, which includes, but is not limited to, conference attendance at the Workforce Development Institute, the RCCA's Annual Conference, and a meeting with RCCA in Oklahoma City.

<u>Recommended Action</u>: That the Board of Trustees accepts the Rural Community College Funding Development Initiative Grant Award between Las Positas College and the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) and the Rural Community College Alliance (RCCA). It is further recommended that the Board authorize the Vice Chancellor, Business Services, to execute the award.

Approved: Jannett N. Jackson / Date

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