

CHABOT-LAS POSITAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

November 17, 2020

Agenda Item: 4.13

Subject: Approval of Contract with the California Department of Education for the California Early Childhood Mentor Program, and associated subcontracts with Community Colleges, Chabot College

Background: The California Early Childhood Mentor Program, has been contracted under the California Department of Education for 22 years. The Mentor Program was developed at Chabot in 1988 with the support of private foundations. It relocated to City College of San Francisco (CCSF) in 2001 but moved back to Chabot on August 1, 2013. The program offers a unique strategy to improve the quality of early care and education through building a mechanism to train and retain qualified staff.

The program selects and provides advanced training to experienced ECE teachers and Directors who become Mentors. Mentor teachers then earn stipends for using their classroom as an environment to train student teachers. Director mentors work with current or aspiring Early Childhood Directors to enhance the leadership and program quality in the field. The student teachers earn community college, university or high school credit for a practicum completed under the guidance of the Mentor. Both the availability of compensation and ongoing training contribute to improving the quality of early care and education in the Mentor's and the student teacher's classrooms.

The program makes it possible for early childhood students to complete their Practicum course (included in the Curriculum Alignment Project's (CAP) Lower Division Eight). The Practicum course is part of the Degrees offered by all 104 partner community colleges. The Board of Trustees has previously approved this contract and its accompanying subcontracts beginning April 16, 2013 and subsequently each year since the contract came back to Chabot College in 2013 with the Chabot College, Chabot –Las Positas Community College District acting as the lead fiscal agent. The contract authorizes CLPCCD-Chabot College, to subcontract with 104 California Community Colleges. The subcontracts are in accordance with the program details and budget outlined in the award. A template of the subcontract has been attached for review and approval.

This agreement is being executed as of November 17, 2020 for the contract term of July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021. The contracted amount is not to exceed \$2,529,131.17 and authorizes CLPCCD-Chabot College to subcontract with 104 California Community Colleges to satisfy the terms of the contract.

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Recommended Action: That the Board of Trustees approves the proposed Contract with the California Department of Education for the California Early Childhood Mentor Program, for the agreement term of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, in the amount of \$ 2,529,131.17. It is further recommended that the Board authorizes Vice Chancellor, Business Services, to execute the Contract and associated subcontracts with Community Colleges on behalf of the District.

Submitted: Theresa F. Rowland/Date

Approved: Ronald P. Gerhard/Date

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