

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Policy Issues for Concurrence**  
August 15, 2006

**SUBJECT: Discussion of Community Colleges and Workforce Education Budget Development Process**

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

For Approval

**AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

N/A

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The development of the Legislative Budget Request for the Florida Community College System is a collaborative process involving the Community College Council of Presidents. The budget request process begins while the Legislature is still in session. Before receiving an appropriation for the upcoming fiscal year, the Chancellor and his staff meet with the leadership of the Council of Presidents, to begin the process of developing a budget request for the subsequent fiscal year. Our staff works with the Council of Business Affairs and other related councils in identifying issues that require funding to be brought forward for consideration. For example, the Community College Funding Committee works at the direction of the Chancellor and the Council of Presidents by making recommendations for funding and appropriation distribution methodologies. Each year an outline of the goals and a description of the budget request issues, are presented to the Council of Presidents at their meetings. After much deliberation and discussion, the Presidents advise the Chancellor on a recommended Legislative Budget Request. This process facilitates an opportunity for stakeholders to provide insight into their needs and gives them ownership of the budget request. This process is highly successful in unifying the system in support of the policies and the need for funding contained in the annual Legislative Budget Request. The pages which follow contain the information presented to the Council of Presidents.

The development of the Legislative Budget Request for the District Workforce Education programs is a collaborative process involving the District Workforce Education Funding Steering Committee. This committee is composed of Workforce Directors from large and small counties that offer postsecondary career-technical education training and adult general education. Our staff works closely with the members of this committee in the budget request process. This process allows for feedback from key stakeholders in the adult programs offered in school district programs in Florida. The attached pages contain the information presented to the funding committee in July.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:**

Materials presented to the Council of Presidents on July 27, 2006 entitled "Discussion of Issues for 2007-08 Budget Request Development" and Summary materials on the District Workforce Education draft Legislative Budget Request presented to the District Workforce Education Funding Steering Committee on July 13, 2006

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