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TRIAL COURT BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE SUBCOMMITTEE

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

March 20, 2017

12:15 p.m. – 1:48 p.m.

Conference Call

Advisory Body Members Present: Judges: Hon. Laurie M. Earl (Co-chair), Hon. James E. Herman, Hon. Elizabeth W. Johnson, Hon. Paul M. Marigonda, and Hon. Brian L. McCabe.

Executive Officers: Ms. Sherri R. Carter (Co-chair), Ms. Rebecca Fleming, Mr. Michael D. Planet, Mr. Brian Taylor, and Mr. David H. Yamasaki.

Advisory Body Members Absent: Judges: Hon. Andrew S. Blum

Others Present: Hon. Judge Jon B. Conklin, Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic, Ms. Lucy Fogarty, Ms. Brandy Sanborn, Ms. Angela Guzman, Ms. Natalie Daniel, Ms. Suzanne Blihovde, Ms. Donna Newman, Ms. Virginia Sanders-Hinds, Mr. David Koon, Mr. Robert Oyung, Mr. Gavin Lane, and Mr. Eric Schnurpfeil.

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m. Members introduced themselves, and roll was called.

Approval of Minutes

The advisory body reviewed and approved the minutes of the May 13, 2016.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS 1-3)

Item 1 – TCTF Fund Condition Statement Shortfall (Informational Item)

Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic discussed the informational item with the subcommittee members. The subcommittee members agreed to bring this item as a discussion item to the next in person Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee Meeting April 13, 2017.

Action: This was an informational item with no action taken.

Item 2 – Allocations from the State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund for 2017-2018 (Discussion Item)

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Laurie M. Earl, Co-Chair, Revenue and Expenditure Subcommittee; Ms. Sherri R. Carter, Co-Chair, Revenue and Expenditure Subcommittee; Ms. Suzanne Blihovde, Senior Fiscal Analyst, Budget Services Division, Judicial Council of California.

The subcommittee voted to approve the following recommendations:

Action: The Revenue and Expenditure Subcommittee members unanimously voted to approve the items below for consideration by the Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee at its April 13, 2017 meeting and for Judicial Council consideration on May 18-19, 2017.

Item 2 - 2017–2018 Allocations for All Programs except Legal Services Office and Information Technology (IT).

a. Approve allocation levels totaling \$11,416,969.

b. Approve adjustments within the Center for Judiciary Education and Research (CJER) allocations for a net zero increase in CJER's total allocation: Increase CJER Faculty by \$17,000; increase Essential Court Personnel by \$42,000; increase Judicial Education by \$39,000 and decrease Distance Education by \$98,000.

c. Approve decrease of \$45,532 in the IT element of the Phoenix Program to recognize cost savings.

Item 3 - 2017–2018 Allocations for Legal Services Office.

a. Approve increase of \$183,400 in Judicial Performance Defense Insurance allocation to address anticipated increase in premium costs.

b. Approve increase of \$252,080 in the Litigation Management Program to address costly on-going cases as well as increased litigation fees and costs.

c. Approve decrease of \$350,000 to the Regional Office Assistance Program to reflect savings from position vacancies.

d. Total allocation reflects a net increase of \$85,480 over 2016-2017 allocation level.

Item 4 - 2017–2018 Allocations for Information Technology (including the Telecommunications Office).

a. Approve total allocation of \$54,970,011 for Information Technology.

b. This allocation includes one-time funding of \$9,300,000 for the Case Management System V3 replacement BCP and \$572,622 for the Madera Superior Court transition. It also includes the reversal of \$13,535,611 in 2016-2017 one-time allocations of \$12.4 million for the V3 replacement BCP, \$736,500 for the Placer Court Hosting Project and \$399,111 for the Humboldt transition funding.

c. The amount of \$4.1 million for the Sustain Justice CMS BCP that is in the proposed 2017-2018 Budget Act is included in the allocation.

d. This allocation includes the net decrease of \$4,265,611 in on-going funding, including a projected savings of \$864,029 in the Telecommunications Program. IT indicates that these savings will be needed in future years for the Telecommunications Program.

Action: The Revenue and Expenditure Subcommittee members voted to approve item 4e for consideration by the Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee at its April 13, 2017 meeting and for Judicial Council consideration on May 18-19, 2017

e. This allocation includes revised funding levels for the California Court Protective Order Registry (CCPOR). The proposed allocation in 2017-2018 reflects anticipated savings of \$23,886 from the 2016-2017 funding level and includes the proposed expansion of CCPOR into the superior courts of Orange county and Sacramento county.

Yes: 9

No: 1

Absent: 1

Item 3 – Encumbrance Report as of December 31, 2016 (Informational Item)

As directed by the Judicial Council, Judicial Council staff submit this report to the Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee (TCBAC) on Trial Court Trust Fund (TCTF) and State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund (IMF) open encumbrances as of December 31, 2017 and report as well on any new encumbrances that have occurred since the previous September.

Presenter: Suzanne Blihovde, Senior Budget Analyst, Budget Services Division, Judicial Council of California.

Action: This was an informational item with no action taken.

A D J O U R N M E N T

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

Approved by the advisory body on May 30, 2017.