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TRIAL COURT BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

June 08, 2017

10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

JCC Veranda Rooms, 2860 Gateway Oaks Drive, Sacramento Ca, 95833

Advisory Body Members Present: Judges: Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin (Chair), Hon. Jeffrey B. Barton, Hon. Kevin C. Brazile (phone), Hon. Mark Ashton Cope, Hon. Laurie M. Earl, Hon. James E. Herman, Hon. Joyce D. Hinrichs, Hon. Elizabeth W. Johnson (phone), Hon. Ira R. Kaufman, Hon. Paul M. Marigonda (phone), Hon. Brian L. McCabe, and Hon. Glenda Sanders.

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Judicial Council staff advisory members: Ms. Jody Patel, Mr. John Wordlaw, Ms. Millicent Tidwell, and Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic.

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

Others Present: Ms. Lucy Fogarty, Ms. Brandy Sanborn, Mr. Patrick Ballard, Ms. Suzanne Blihovde, Ms. Angela Guzman, Mr. Chad Finke, and Mr. Bob Fleshman.

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and roll was called.

Approval of Minutes

The advisory body reviewed and approved the minutes of the May 23, 2017 Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee (TCBAC) meeting.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS (ITEMS 1-3)

Item 1 – 2017–2018 Trial Court Allocations for General Court Operations and Specific Costs (Action Required)

Consideration of the 2017–2018 base and base-related allocations from the General Fund and Trial Court Trust Fund, including WAFM, criminal justice realignment, and benefits.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee; Mr. Patrick Ballard, Supervisor, Judicial Council Budget Services; and Ms. Suzanne Blihovde, Senior Budget Analyst, Judicial Council Budget Services.

Action: The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee voted to approve the following recommendation in a vote as follows:

Yes: 22

No: 2

1. Approve the 2017–2018 beginning base allocation for court operations of \$1.821 billion, which carries forward the ending 2016–2017 TCTF base allocation and adds the General Fund benefits base allocation and adjustments to annualize partial-year allocations made in 2016–2017.

2. Allocate a total of \$4.8 million for non-interpreter employee benefits funding from the TCTF for each court's share 2016–2017 cost changes in the 2017 May Revise. (The remaining \$174,000 provided for 2016–2017 court interpreter benefits cost changes would be added to the TCTF Court Interpreter Program 0150037).

3. Allocate each court's share from the TCTF using the 2017–2018 WAFM consisting of a reallocation of 50 percent (\$720.2 million) and an additional \$233.8 million of courts' historical WAFM-related base allocation of \$1.44 billion, and reallocation of \$233.8 million in new funding provided from 2013–2014 through 2016–2017 for general court operations for general court operations for a net zero total allocation.

4. Allocate each court's share of the 2017–2018 WAFM funding-floor allocation adjustment, which includes funding-floor allocations for six courts receive a total of \$321,949 in floor adjustments and all other courts are allocated a reduction totaling \$321,949, for a net zero total allocation.

5. Approve a one-time allocation of \$9.2 million for criminal justice realignment costs from the TCTF based on the most current available postrelease community supervision (PRCS) and parole workload data submitted to the Judicial Council's Criminal Justice Services office pursuant to Penal Code section 13155.

6. Allocate \$13.44 million from the Programs 0140010 and 0150095 - TCTF Judicial Council and Trial Court Operations appropriations and \$135.6 million from the Program 0150010 - Support for Operation of the Trial Courts appropriation.

Item 2 – Recommendation of the Funding Methodology Subcommittee (FMS) on the 2017-2018 Work Plan (Action Required)

Consideration of recommendations of the FMS regarding the finalization of the 2017- 2018 Work Plan related to WAFM.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Co-Chair, Funding Methodology Subcommittee; Ms. Rebecca Fleming, Co-Chair, Funding Methodology Subcommittee; and Ms. Suzanne Blihovde, Senior Budget Analyst, Judicial Council Budget Services.

Action: The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee voted to approve the following recommendation in a vote as follows:

Yes: 23

No: 1

Funding Methodology Subcommittee Work Plan

FY 2017-2018

1. *Plans for FY 2018-2019 and year 6 and beyond*
 - a. *Simplify display of worksheets for after year 5*
 - b. *Review and evaluate funding methodology*
2. *New and existing judgeships staffing complement funding*
3. *Track technology funding streams (quarterly updates from JCTC and CITMF)*
4. *Track joint working group with Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee to evaluate the allocation methodology for Child Support Commissioner and Family Law Facilitator Program funding including. Subsequent to receiving information from working group, FMS will start to review AB 1058 revenue as an offset to WAFM funding need.*
5. *Evaluate the impact of civil assessments as it relates to the Workload-based Allocation and Funding Methodology (WAFM)*
6. *Review TCTF AND IMF self-help funding allocation*
7. *Identify all funding sources and determine allocation models*
8. *Review funding floor calculation and determine handling of inflation and refresh cycle*
9. *Special circumstances cases funding*
10. *Evaluate impact of JCC and other provided services*
11. *Evaluate how to include unfunded costs- courthouse construction*
12. *Address impact of BLS in the model*

Item 3 – Recommendation of the FMS on the WAFM Adjustment Request Process and WAFM Adjustment Timeline (Action Required)

Consideration of recommendations of the FMS regarding the Judicial Council approved Workload-Based Allocation and Funding Methodology (WAFM) Adjustment Request Process, including formalizing the date for when changes to WAFM can be made and implemented.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Co-Chair, Funding Methodology Subcommittee; Ms. Rebecca Fleming, Co-Chair, Funding Methodology Subcommittee; and Ms. Suzanne Blihovde, Senior Budget Analyst, Judicial Council Budget Services.

Action: The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee unanimously approved the revisions to the WAFM Adjustment Request Procedure.

INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS (NO ACTION REQUIRED)

Item 1 – Budget Update for 2017-2018 (No Action Required)

Update on the budget for 2017-2018.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic, Director, Judicial Council Budget Services

Action: No Action Taken

Item 2 – AB 1058 Funding Allocation Joint Subcommittee Update (No Action Required)

Update on the AB 1058 Child Support Court Allocation Project.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Ms. Anna Maves, Supervising Attorney/Program Manager, Judicial Council Center for Families, Children & the Courts

Action: No Action Taken

Item 3 – Discussion (No Action Required)

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee

Action: No Action Taken

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

Approved by the advisory body on enter date December 4, 2017.