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TRIAL COURT BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE
REVENUE & EXPENDITURE SUBCOMMITTEE

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

November 12, 2015
12:04 p.m. to 12:48 p.m.
Teleconference

Advisory Body Members Present: Judges: Hon. Laurie M. Earl (Co-Chair), Hon. Cynthia Ming-mei Lee, Hon. Paul M. Marigonda, Hon. Brian L. McCabe.

Executive Officers: Ms. Sherri R. Carter (Co-Chair), Mr. Richard d. Feldstein, Mr. José Octavio Guillén, Mr. Michael D. Planet, and Mr. David H. Yamasaki.

Advisory Body Members Absent: Hon. Barry P. Goode, Hon. James E. Herman, Hon. Winifred Younge Smith, Ms. Rebecca Fleming, and Mr. Brian Taylor.

Others Present: Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin; Zlatko Theodorovic; Mr. Steven Chang.

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 12:04 p.m. and roll was taken.

Approval of Minutes

The July 29, 2015 meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

Public Comment

No written comments were received.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

Item 1

Proposed Change to the Trial Court Trust Fund Program 30.15 (Trial Court Operations) State Operations Appropriation and New Special Display Related to State Trial Court Funding Not Distributed to the Trial Courts (Action Item)

Action: A motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously to recommend that the Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee support the following recommendations:

1. Have the Judicial Council of California (JCC) continue to use (i) state operations appropriations from the State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund and the Trial Court Trust Fund for JCC staff costs (including operating expenses and overhead) related to providing services to trial courts and (ii) local assistance appropriations related to state trial court funding from all funds for (a) direct distributions to court, (b) direct distributions to non-trial-court local entities, and (c) expenses made on behalf of the courts by JCC staff.
2. Consistent with Recommendation 1, have the JCC request that the Department of Finance change the Trial Court Trust Fund Program 30.15 (Trial Court Operations and Fi\$CAL program code 0140019) state operations appropriation reference item 001 to a new state trial court funding Fi\$CAL program code schedule, with the label to be determined by the DOF (possibly “Expenses on Behalf of Trial Courts), and a local assistance appropriation, with the reference item to be determined by the DOF.
3. Have JCC Finance staff request that the Governor include a new special display in the Governor’s Proposed Budget starting with the Governor’s Proposed Budget for 2016–2017 that provides additional detail on state trial court funding not distributed to trial courts, as provided in Attachment G.
4. Have JCC Finance staff revise the special display in the Governor’s Proposed Budget for 2015–2016 so that its relationship to the proposed new additional special display is clear or at least clearer to the public, as provided in Attachment F.
5. Have the JCC post additional information on the California Courts website that further elaborates on state trial court funding that is not distributed to courts.

A D J O U R N M E N T

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:48 p.m.

Approved by the advisory body on December 14, 2015.