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TRIAL COURT BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

May 31, 2018

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

JCC Boardroom, 455 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94102

Advisory Body Members Present: Judges: Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin (Chair), Hon. Jeffrey B. Barton, Hon. Andrew S. Blum, Hon. Daniel J. Buckley, Hon. Mark Ashton Cope, Hon. Joyce D. Hinrichs, Hon. Patricia M. Lucas, Hon. Charles Margines, Hon. Paul M. Marigonda, and Hon. Brian L. McCabe (phone).

Executive Officers: Ms. Sherri R. Carter, Ms. Nancy Eberhardt, Mr. Chad Finke, Ms. Kimberly Flener, Mr. Kevin Harrigan, Mr. Michael D. Planet, Mr. Michael M. Roddy, Ms. Linda Romero-Soles, Ms. Tania Ugrin-Capobianco, and Mr. David Yamasaki.

Judicial Council staff advisory members: Mr. John Wordlaw (phone) and Mr. Zlatko Theodorovic (phone).

Advisory Body Members Absent: Judges: Hon. James E. Herman

Executive Officers: Ms. Rebecca Fleming and Mr. Brian Taylor.

Others Present: Ms. Lucy Fogarty, Ms. Brandy Sanborn, Ms. Leah Rose-Goodwin, Ms. Michele Allan, Ms. Donna Newman, Mr. Don Will, Ms. Kathleen Fink, Ms. Melissa Ng, Ms. Bonnie Hough, and Mr. Samuel Hamrick.

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order and Roll Call

The chair called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. and roll was called.

Approval of Minutes

The advisory body reviewed and approved the minutes of the May 7, 2018 Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee (TCBAC) meeting.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS (ITEM 1 - 8)

Item 1 – Extension of V3 Case Management System (CMS) Support (Action Required)

Consideration of a recommendation from the Revenue and Expenditure (R&E) Subcommittee to extend use of the funding approved by the Judicial Council in support of V3 CMS past June 30, 2019.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jeffrey Barton, Cochair, Revenue and Expenditure Subcommittee; Ms. Sherri Carter, Cochair, Revenue and Expenditure Subcommittee; and Mr. David Yamasaki, Court Executive Officer, Orange County Superior Court

Action: The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee approved extending the use of CMS V3 funding through to June 30, 2020, based on reductions achieved each year since the decision to eliminate CMS funding from the IMF. Although the projected need for 2019-20 is currently \$3.46 million, this is not a request for an allocation. The program will return next fiscal year to the R&E Subcommittee in the spring and then to the TCBC to request an allocation for 2019-20. The vote was as follows:

- Yes: 15
- No: 0
- Abstain: 5

Item 2 – Allocations from the State Trial Court Improvement and Modernization Fund (IMF) for 2018-19 (Action Required)

Consideration of a recommendation from the R&E Subcommittee regarding allocations from the IMF for 2018-19.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jeffrey Barton, Cochair, Revenue and Expenditure Subcommittee; Ms. Sherri Carter, Cochair, Revenue and Expenditure Subcommittee; and Ms. Donna Newman, Budget Supervisor, Judicial Council Budget Services

Action: The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee unanimously approved a total of \$60,373,276 in allocations for 2018-19 from the IMF for consideration by the Judicial Council at its July 19-20, 2018 meeting.

Item 3 – Allocations from the Trial Court Trust Fund (TCTF) for 2018-19 (Action Required)

Consideration of recommendations from the R&E Subcommittee regarding allocations from the TCTF for 2018-19.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jeffrey Barton, Cochair, Revenue and Expenditure Subcommittee; Ms. Sherri Carter, Cochair, Revenue and Expenditure Subcommittee; and Ms. Michele Allan, Budget Supervisor, Judicial Council Budget Services

Action: The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee unanimously recommended a total of \$2.0 billion in preliminary allocations for 2018-19 from the TCTF for consideration by the Judicial Council at its July 19-20, 2018 meeting and approved \$68.8 million General Fund allocation for employee benefits.

Item 4 – Allocation of \$47.8 Million in Governor's Proposed Budget (Action Required)

Consideration of recommendations from the Funding Methodology Subcommittee (FMS) on the allocation methodology for the proposed \$47.8 million in the Governor's proposed budget.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Cochair, Funding Methodology Subcommittee; Ms. Rebecca Fleming, Cochair, Funding Methodology Subcommittee; and Ms. Leah Rose-Goodwin, Manager, Judicial Council Budget Services

Action: The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee unanimously recommended Option 1 which focused on allocating the remaining dollars to the courts furthest away from the statewide average need, reducing funding inequity across the courts and raising the statewide funding average.

Item 5 – 2018-19 Self-Help Funding Allocations (Action Required)

Consideration of recommendations of the FMS regarding the allocations for self-help for 2018-19, including updated population data to the methodology.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Cochair, Funding Methodology Subcommittee; Ms. Rebecca Fleming, Cochair, Funding Methodology Subcommittee; Ms. Leah Rose-Goodwin, Manager, Judicial Council Budget Services; and Ms. Bonnie Hough, Managing Attorney, Judicial Council Center for Families, Children, and the Courts

Action: The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee unanimously approved the 2018-19 self-help allocations, contingent on additional self-help funding being provided in the Budget Act of 2018. In the event there are not additional funds for self-help in the Budget Act of 2018, the Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee unanimously approved the use of the updated population data to determine allocation of the existing \$11.2 million in funding for 2018-19.

Item 6 – Simplified Displays (Action Required)

Consideration of recommendations of the FMS regarding displays for trial court allocations, including WAFM, beginning in 2018-19.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Ms. Brandy Sanborn, Budget Manager, Judicial Council Budget Services

Action: The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee unanimously approved the simplified displays; a high-level display for use in providing a 58-court view of last year allocations, WAFM changes, and other allocations to reach the new-year base allocation totals, and a single court executive summary to be provided to all courts which would be subject to changes annually, both effective 2018-19.

Item 7 – 2018-19 Trial Court Allocations (Action Required)

Consideration of the 2018-19 allocations, including the Workload-based Assessment and Funding Methodology (WAFM), self-help, and benefits.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Hon. Jonathan B. Conklin, Chair, Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee; and Ms. Michele Allan, Budget Supervisor, Judicial Council Budget Services

Action: The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee approved the 2018-19 Workload-based Allocation and Funding Methodology (WAFM) allocation of \$1.835 billion and the 2018-19 other allocations of \$105.0 million in a vote as follows:

- Yes: 19
- No: 1
- Abstain: 0
- Absent: 3

Item 8 – 2018-19 Court-Appointed Dependency Counsel Allocations (Action Required)

Consideration of the 2018-19 allocations from the TCTF for court-appointed dependency counsel.

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Mr. Don Will, Principal Manager, Judicial Council Center for Families, Children, and the Courts

Action: The Trial Court Budget Advisory Committee unanimously approved the allocation of \$136.7 million for court-appointed dependency counsel to the trial courts using the methodology specified by the Judicial Council.

INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS (NO ACTION REQUIRED)

Info 1 – Budget Update for 2018-19

Update on the budget for 2018-19.

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

Action: No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:01 p.m.

Approved by the advisory body on July 31, 2018.