FTES, FTEF and Other Acronyms: What They Mean to Us

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FTES

- Full Time Equivalent Student
- 525 Total Contact Hours
- 15 Weekly Contact Hours (WSCH) for 35 Weeks
- Basis for state funding

FTEF

- Full Time Equivalent Faculty
- ▶ 30 Faculty Load Credits
- Depending on subject taught, can be anywhere from 12 to 22 hours in the classroom plus office hours plus preparation time plus committee work or other institutional duties
- Non-teaching faculty have other measurements

Load or Productivity

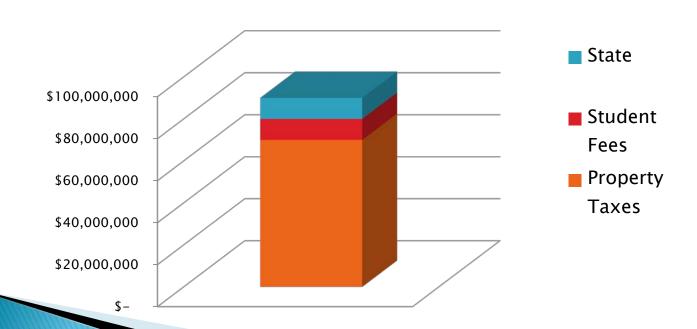
- FTES/FTEF or, more commonly, WSCH/FTEF
- A faculty teaching 15 hours per week with 35 students in his/her class has:

15 hrs per week X 35 students = 525 WSCH

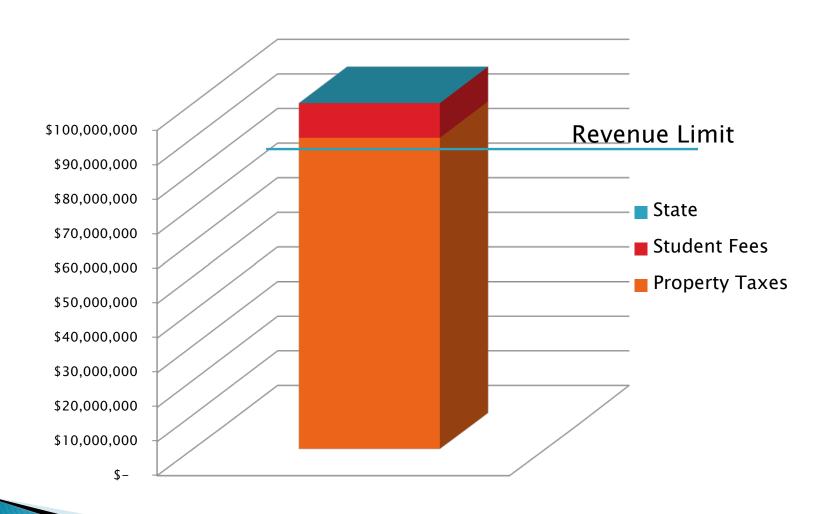
This is known as a load of 525

Some History

- State funding: \$4500 per FTES
- SMCCD has about 20,000 FTES
- SMCCCD state revenue limit: \$90M



Community Supported



Why does it matter?

- Community Supported means:
 - Revenue is no longer driven by student enrollment
 - Some state rules go away
 - We can determine for ourselves how best to support the community

What is the Issue?

- Desire to change our resource allocation model
- Project revenues based on property tax increases
- Give stability and predictability to the sites

Resource Allocation Model

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What is it?

- A method to allocate Fund 1 resources
- Does not increase total resources or bring more money to the district
- Does not prescribe spending, only allocates resources
- Does not affect grants or other categorical programs

Priorities

- The model must be fair
- Simple
- Predictable
- Stable
- Minimize internal conflict between colleges & with district office
- Timely in order for development of plans at colleges
- Efficient to administer
- Recognize cost pressures collective bargaining results, inflation, etc.
- Have a multi-year application not change formula each year

Priorities

- Be flexible including with the movement to basic aid
- Consistent
- Accommodate good and bad years
- Address inequities of equalization and access
- Promote a sensible use of public funding no "spend it or you lose it"
- Recognize local community needs and geographic areas differences between the needs of the students at each college
- Uses quantitative, verifiable factors need for good data
- Protects the integrity of base funding no sudden or major changes
- In synch with our mission and goals

Proposed Components

- Minimum staffing allocation
- Assumptions for FTES and Load goals, and FT/PT ratios
- Teaching FTEF allocation both FT and PT
- Non-teaching allocations
 - Reassigned/released time
 - Counseling
 - Librarians/Learning Resource Center
- Remainder or deficit allocated by FTES goals