BAM Principles

1. Equilibrium in the operating budget structural balance is maintained through assurance that ongoing expenditures do not exceed ongoing revenues and that compliance with State and District reserve requirements is maintained.
2. The BAM recognizes that resource allocation is linked to District-wide strategic planning.
3. The BAM provides for the equitable allocation of available resources to the three (3) colleges and the District Office, while ensuring compliance with statutory and regulatory requirements.
4. Enrollment management decisions drive the allocation of operational resources.
5. The BAM is simple, readily communicable and understood, and as easy to administer as possible.
6. The BAM is defined in measurable terms to maintain objectivity and predictability and so that the outcome is independently verifiable.
7. The BAM is driven by verifiable data.

Policy/Organizational Considerations

1. Defining the roles of the District vis-à-vis the District’s four major entities in the budget development and execution processes.
2. Defining the way in which compliance with statutory, regulatory and policy requirements shall be assured (e.g. FON, 50% Law, categorical match).
4. Defining DSPS services and funding levels.

BAM Revision Components

1. RCCD’s BAM will mirror the State funding model for the California Community Colleges for the basic allocation, full-time-equivalent student (FTES) apportionment, one-time funding, and one-time funding on an annual basis (e.g. Prop 30). The model will comply with budget-related statutory and regulatory requirements (e.g. 50% Law, FON, etc.).
2. The minimum 5% required level of District reserves and funding for the district office will be the first allocations of the District’s “Total Available Funds” in the Unrestricted General Fund.
3. In recognition that it may be necessary to transition over time to a point whereby each of the colleges achieve equilibrium between allocated revenues and the expenditures needed to support instructional service levels to students, a separate allocation may be provided.
4. Non-State apportionment, one-time funds, ongoing funds and entrepreneurial revenues (e.g. Norco College Trading Post, Riverside City College Splash, Nonresident tuition, indirect cost reimbursements, lease/rental income, etc.) that are specific to a particular entity will be retained by the respective college that generates the revenue.
5. Revenue sources that are not specifically identifiable to a particular entity will be allocated based on the same methodology used to allocate apportionment revenues unless otherwise specified by the funding source.

6. A minimum of 1% of total available funds will be allocated for contingency at the entity level.

7. Child Care Centers, Food Services, Performance Riverside, Contract Education, Community Education, and Bookstore must be self-sustaining by entity.

8. Interfund loans will be allocated “off the top” of the District budget.

9. The budget allocated for the District Office and District Support Services shall correlate with the percent increase/decrease of the aggregate budget allocated to the colleges.