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To: Vice Presidents for Administration/Finance

From: Colleen Nickles  
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Subject: 2005/06 Centrally Paid Parking Expenditure Charges

We are transmitting the centrally paid parking program expenditure charges for fiscal year 2005/06 for incorporation into your budget planning process. Each campus will be charged for the systemwide expenditures via a Plan of Financial Adjustment (PFA) on a quarterly basis. The attachments contain:

- 2005/06 Estimated Systemwide Transfers (Attachment A) processed by the Chancellor’s Office.
- 2005/06 Debt Service Transfers Summary (Attachment B).

In 2005/06 most campuses will experience a small decrease in their total parking annual costs due to a decrease in state prorata charges. The state prorata charges consist of administrative expenditures related to various state agencies such as the Department of Finance, the State Controller’s Office, the State Treasurer’s Office, the Bureau of State Audits, the Legislature and others. The CSU, as other state agencies, is charged a portion of these expenditures. As you know, we voiced our concerns related to the state charges affecting our programs to the Department of Finance and they have committed to making adjustments for the 2006/07 budget year.

We will be asking our Accounting office to transfer funds from each campus’ general fund instead of the parking revenue fund. As explained last year, we find this is necessary because campuses have moved most parking funds into trust funds, which has made it difficult for Accounting to process PFAs. Consequently, campuses need to record the journal entries (which will affect the general fund) and must internally reimburse themselves from parking program funds. We are also asking that you ensure that appropriate fiscal and parking personnel at your campus have this information as they will need it to develop and account for next year’s operating budget. Please note that this memo is intended for planning purposes only. The Chancellor’s Office Accounting department will issue an AD-NOAT memo with journal entry information to ensure accurate FIRMS submission and recording. Further, should there be delays in the state budget approval process, the first PFA will be delayed.
We are including a summary of quarterly debt service transfers to cover principal and interest payments on November 1st and interest payments on May 1st of the coming fiscal year for campuses with projects that were funded by bonds. The quarterly amounts include a fifteen percent reserve, which will not affect the calculation of the parking program’s Net Revenue Debt Service Coverage Ratio (DSCR), as long as campuses appropriately record the transfers for debt service and reserve as “Transfer Out” and not as an operating expense in the FIRMS database (see Attachment B for an example). We anticipate that the interest received from the reserve will be credited to campuses and will be used for future debt service payments. The transfer for reserve is required for the first two full years of a project’s operations. As noted on Attachment B, some campuses already fulfilled this requirement and therefore will not be transferring anymore funds to the reserve sub-account in the Interest and Redemption Fund.

Please contact Rosa Renaud or Angelique Sutanto in the office of Financing and Treasury at (562) 951-4570 if you or your staff have any questions.

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Attachments