

Present: Legislators Cianfrini, Clattenburg, Bausch, Stein, Torrey, Deleo, Davis, DeJaneiro. Legislature Clerk LaGrou, County Manager Gsell, Asst. County Manager Landers, County Attorney Earl, GCC Pres. Sunser, VP Hamilton, Trustees Bohn & Bonarigo

Chairman Cianfrini called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM in the Legislature Conference Room in the Old County Court House.

Dr. Sunser was invited to further discuss the request being made by GCC for the County to increase the Sponsor share by \$100,000. He acknowledged the college and county operate on difference fiscal calendars and this poses challenges to planning and budgeting.

He asked the County to revisit the concept of a \$50,000 adjustment (increase) over the next 4 years. This year, they are requesting a \$100,000 increase to get their plan back on track of \$50,000 per year bringing them to a \$250,000 increase in Sponsor contribution over 5 years.

Chairman Cianfrini questioned the legality of this Legislative body making a financial commitment for a future legislature. Dr. Sunser expressed that they are looking for a conceptual commitment (of a \$50,000/year increase) and they will need to revisit the request annually with the Legislature.

Chairman Cianfrini remarked about the increased penalties to Counties that exceed the Tax Cap and the loss of reimbursements. The State is putting more pressure on Counties to remain within the Tax Cap by withholding reimbursements and revenues therefore, the County needs to assess and weigh out the fiscal implications.

Dr. Sunser explained the change to the chargeback formula was embedded in a prior budget. It is set to start with next year's budget and phase in over 5 years. If the \$50,000 increase over the next 5 years happens, the expected deficit can be mitigated.

Regionalization was also discussed and Dr. Sunser explained that the State controls more and the chargeback formula used with Regionalization would hurt Genesee County.

Chairman Cianfrini commented that the legislative liaison had not been included in executive sessions and questioned if this was new practice since past liaisons were in attendance. Dr. Sunser expressed that the majority of their budget discussions occur at Finance Committee meetings which is an open meeting. He stated he would see that the liaison received the meeting notices for Committee meetings.

The GCC Trustees are expected to adopt their budget at the June 12th meeting.

The Committee of the Whole meeting adjourned at 5:26 PM upon motion of Legislator Bausch seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.