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Lane Aviation Academy - Flight Technology - Full review of Flight Technology #1

Summary:

Full review of Flight Technology leading to significant changes in multiple areas, resulting in greater transparency, efficiency, and sustainability.

Description: Transfer the salaries to the General Fund, rewrite full time faculty job descriptions, review of aircraft fleet and available alternatives.

Description

1. The 3 positions, Director, Administrative Coordinator, and Administrative Specialist of the Flight Academy primarily serve the greater good and needs of Lane in general, and to a lesser extent, the specific functions of the Fund 9 activities of Flight Technology. This was true before AMT became fully a part of the Aviation Academy; before the Director and the administrative personnel had significant responsibility for AMT (General Fund). It is time to move to greater transparency financially, and acknowledge reality by moving payment of these 3 salaries to the General Fund. This will also more accurately portray the true financials of Flight Technology and significantly increase its sustainability.

2. Review full time faculty positions with possible changes to job descriptions to enhance the financial picture of the Academy. This review will explore whether the full time faculty can or should be doing more instruction and/or teaching more of our classes. If our salaried faculty can do this, it will save the department wages we are currently paying part time hourly instructors. FAA requirements will be taken into consideration so as not to jeopardize our program with such changes.

3. Review of our aircraft fleet, exploring possible lease or other arrangements to upgrade the fleet without a lot of extra expense. Most of our fleet are high-time aircraft that need to be replaced. Purchasing replacements is prohibitively expensive, given our current resources. It may be that we could change to a lease arrangement with a major manufacturer, having new aircraft under warranty. Activity will be to discuss this with manufacturers to see if there is a feasible plan.

Questions and Answers

How is the initiative linked to the Unit Plans most recently submitted?

1. How does it continue the achievement of those goals?

2. If this is a continuation of an initiative started last year, make sure that relationship is clear.

How is this initiative linked to the efficiencies and productivities plans you had last year?

- 1. How does it continue the achievement of these plans?
- 2. If this is a continuation of an efficiency or productivity plan started last year, make sure that relationship is clear.

This is a new initiative.

Describe the resources needed:

1. No change is overall cost to Lane Community College. Increased expenditure from the General Fund. Less misleading paper deficit from Fund 9 for Flight Technology.

2. Savings to Flight Technology and greater financial sustainability if we can change job descriptions.

3. Costs for changes to the fleet are unknown at this time. Part of this initiative will be to determine financial implications.

What specific measurable program outcomes do you expect to achieve with this initiative? The outcomes should be specific enough to be measurable. Also, outline the method that will be used to determine the results.

Greater college transparency in college financials, and greater sustainability, even profitability for Flight Technology.

Department Priority:

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Unit Resources:

No resources are needed.

Funding Request: Carl Perkins

Funding Request: Curriculum Development

Funding Request: Technology Fee