MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Agenda Item Summary Sheet

Committee: Diversity and Multiculturalism    Date of Meeting: November 17, 2009

Agenda Item: Access, Opportunity and Success Program Funding for FY 2010

☐ Proposed Policy Change ☐ Approvals Required by Policy ☐ Other Approvals ☐ Monitoring

☒ Information

City policy requirements, or explain reason for item to go before the Board:

Board members have requested regular updates on the progress of Access, Opportunity and Success programs at the colleges and universities.

Presenter:

Mike López, Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs

Outline of Key Points/Policy Issues:

Dr. López will provide a summary of the recruitment and retention activities the colleges and universities will undertake during FY 2010 with their Access, Opportunity and Success allocation. A summary of the recruitment and retention goals established for the year will also be provided.
BACKGROUND

As in previous years, colleges and universities received a total of $7.4 million in fiscal year 2010 for activities designed to recruit and retain underrepresented students. However, because the enrollment term on which the formula is based was changed to fall of 2008, the actual allocations to individual colleges and universities differed from previous years, in some cases significantly.

Also as in previous years, $2.4 million was allocated to the three College Access and Opportunity Centers. Prior to receiving the allocation, each college and university was required to submit a funding request describing the recruitment and retention activities to be undertaken during the year. Specific performance outcome objectives in a uniform format also had to be included in the funding request. A summary of the activities to be undertaken by the colleges and universities will be provided, as will a summary of the recruitment and retention objectives across the system.