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The Peralta Community College District Board of Trustees meets tonight at 7 at [333 E. Eighth St.](#), its final scheduled session of the academic year.

In addition to the chancellor's evaluation—now a de facto standing item—the agenda features a few intriguing tidbits: appointments of a VPI at Laney and a benefits manager at the DO; [a possible reorg](#) of the Dept. of General Services and the Office of Finance and Administration; and [an amended budget](#) that shuffles [Measure B](#) and general fund monies in ways that continue to raise questions.

Also up for discussion tonight are three proposed [board workgroups](#), Campus Safety, Finance and Budget, and Enrollment and Outreach. The groups include no faculty representation (per the planning document: “These groups will complement other Shared Governance groups and not duplicate them”). PFT can't help but wonder how complementary the groups, with summertime meetings and faculty therefore excluded by design, might ultimately prove.

The board will weigh recommended revisions to BP 2015 that would give student trustees, whose votes are advisory, the authority to make and second motions - finally.

And [just one more thing](#): trustees will take up a [\\$40K contract](#) with Prather Law Offices to “provide legal services including but not limited to grand jury and criminal matters for PCCD as requested by the Chancellor, any Vice Chancellor, any Board Member, any individual College President or the General Counsel.”

Stay tuned.

In other news:

*Don't miss PFT's last general membership meeting of 2017-18, today, Tu., May 8, 4-6 p.m. at the union offices ([500 E. Eighth St., Ste. B](#), catty corner from district A&R). Up for consideration: the wildly successful spring membership drive, recent executive motions, the fall 2018 negotiations survey, and sign-making and final strategizing for tonight's board action.

*The seniority provision of the Part-time Faculty Rehire Preference Pool is in effect for classes scheduled for fall 2018. Department chairs and college administrators are urged to familiarize themselves with Article 30.H.3 of the [current PFT contract](#).

In solidarity,

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