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The Peralta Community College District Board of Trustees meets tonight at seven in the boardroom at 333 E. Eighth St. District financial stumbles—and the new board majority's determination to get the DO back on its feet—lead board-watchers to expect a marathon.

Before trustees greet the public, they'll use closed session to consider Chancellor Jowel C. Laguerre's long-deferred evaluation, a lease on a Fruitvale commercial space that once housed a payday loan operation, and a lawsuit brought against Peralta by former Laney President Elnora Webb.

A Board Study Session, part of Peralta's "planning efforts to regain fiscal health, grow enrollments, and develop a long-range approach to fiscal stability," kicks off open session. The BSS coincides with the arrival at Peralta HQ of the Fiscal Crisis & Management Assistance Team (FCMAT).

The consent calendar features a \$25K increase, to \$75K, in a contract with PI Chris Reynolds to "perform all investigative duties in a confidential matter entitled, 'Confidential Investigation for General Counsel." Another contractor, Susan May, stands to collect an additional \$30K for ongoing communications work at Merritt.

In other news:

*Don't miss PFT's Black History Month Forum, The Schools Oakland Deserves, Tu., Feb. 12, 12-2 p.m., in the Laney College Forum. The discussion, free and open to the public, will feature Keith Brown, president of the Oakland Education Association, and OUSD students and parents. For more information, contact PFT Diversity Chair Kimberly King at profkimberly@yahoo.com.

*OEA has voted to go out on strike and the PFT is ready to lend support. Sign up here to join us.

*The last e-Communique misidentified the district General Counsel; Peralta's lawyer is Natasha Sawnhney. PFT regrets the error.

In solidarity,

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