



SUNY Federal Relations Update Friday, April 3 , 2009

Yesterday, the House and Senate passed their respective versions of the FY10 budget resolution. Congress is now headed into the two-week spring recess, which begins officially April 4. Discussions about the shape of a final, compromise FY10 budget resolution are expected over the recess, with a final package to be voted on when Congress returns. It is important to note that the budget resolution sets the parameters for FY10 appropriations legislation; its passage does not result in final FY10 spending decisions.

We have been regularly updating the SUNY Economic Stimulus Website: http://www.suny.edu/govtRelations/federal/economic_recovery/index.cfm. Most recently, we've added a section on "American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Supplemental Federal Agency Information". Please check the website regularly for information on new ARRA funded grant information and other updates.

See below for more information on:

- **Community College Leader Chosen as Under Secretary of Education**
- **SUNY "How to Get Your Proposal Funded" Workshop Announced**
- **USDOE & OSTP Seek ARPA-E Staffing Recommendations**
- **OMB Requests Comments on Proposed Recovery Act Reporting Requirements**
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Community College Leader Chosen as Under Secretary of Education

Martha J. Kanter, Chancellor of the Foothill-De Anza Community College District, was designated on Wednesday as President Obama's pick to be under secretary of education. According to the Chronicle of Higher Education, George R. Boggs, president of the American Association of Community Colleges, said his members would be "thrilled" to have one of their own in such a prominent post. "I think this administration realizes that community colleges are a real unrecognized workhorse for education and work-force development," he said.

SUNY "How to Get Your Proposal Funded" Workshop

May 29, 2009 at Levin Institute, NYC

Sponsors: [Research Foundation of State University of New York](#) & [University Faculty Senate](#)

This workshop will provide essential information to help grant writers increase their chances of getting a proposal funded. A panel of experienced faculty members, administrators and representatives from funding agencies will share their insights. Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

Date: Friday, May 29, 2009
Time: 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Place: The Levin Institute
116 East 55th Street
New York, New York 10022
Cost: \$25 Registration Fee

For more information, visit the [workshop Web site](#).

To register, visit the [University Faculty Senate Web site](#).

USDOE & OSTP Seek ARPA-E Staffing Recommendations

Top officials at the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP) asking for assistance in identifying qualified individuals willing to serve as programs managers and assistant program managers in its new agency, ARPA-E. As you may recall, ARPA-E was created to support high-risk, high-payoff energy research along the lines of DARPA at the Defense Department.

ARPA-E Staffing Needs

Immediate Positions - 6-12 month IPA (Start time - ASAP)

- Program Manager
- Program Support (Asst. Program Managers, or other positions)

Long-term Positions -Initial three year term appointment (could be IPA) (Start time - End of Summer/Early Fall)

- Program Managers
- Asst. Program Managers

Please contact me directly at liz.clark@suny.edu if you would like additional information.

OMB Requests Comments on Proposed Recovery Act Reporting Requirements

The Office of Management and Budget on April 1 published a notice in the [Federal Register](#) (74FR14824) requesting comments on the standard data elements that it proposes to require for reporting under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) for grants, cooperative agreements, and loans. The deadline for comments is May 1, 2009.

Recipients of funding provided by federal agencies under the Recovery Act will be required to report back to their respective agencies every three months about their project or activity, particularly how many jobs it has created or sustained.

Tonko Holds WIA Hearing in Albany

Chairman Rubin Hinojosa, Subcommittee Chairman of the Higher Education, Lifelong Learning and Competitiveness; and Paul Tonko, NY, Subcommittee Member hosted a field hearing on New Innovations and Best Practices Under the Workforce Investment Act Hearing on March 23, 2009 in Albany. If you would like to receive brief notes from on the hearing, please feel free to contact beth.kempton@suny.edu directly for more information.

Community Colleges may also be interested in reading this April 3, 2009 *Inside Higher Ed* story on stimulus funding for Workforce Investment Act programs:
<http://www.insidehighered.com/news/2009/04/03/workforce>