<u>Consider Acceptance of U. S. Department of Education Title V Grant Award – Modern Strategies for Student Success Project - Funding/Award Year 2012</u>

Galveston College has received notification from the U. S. Department of Education of a five-year, \$3,133,142 grant award of the Title V Modern Strategies for Student Success Project. Funding for the first year, in the amount of \$627,149, is documented in the following Grant Award Notification. The budget period begins October 1, 2012, and ends September 30, 2013.

The goal of this Title V project is to increase the percent of Hispanic students (and all students) who earn a degree or certificate by: (1) enhancing instructional strategies in developmental education and high risk gateway courses; (2) modernizing labs/classrooms for developmental and gateway instruction; (3) integrating new advisement tools; and (4) strengthening the technological infrastructure.

Staff recommends acceptance of the first year grant award of \$627,149.

Note: On November 9, 2011, the Board of Regents approved a Memorandum of Understanding between the College and Ramona Munsell & Associates Consulting, Inc. (RMA) to assist in developing a successful grant application for submission. It was agreed that a consulting fee equal to ten percent of the amount of the Title V grant funds would only be paid to RMA upon the award of the grant for each year during the term of the grant.