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**FACULTY SENATES COORDINATING COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 15, 2011
MEETING SUMMARY
APPROVED**

TIME: 10:0-11:30

LOCATION: CCCConfer/District Office

PRESENT: Michael Norris, Laurie Lema, Richard Akers, Virginia Richards

ABSENT: Keith Mikolavich

GUESTS:

Item #	Topic/Activity		Responsible Person(s)	Time Line
1.	APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES	Achievement Gap discussion was added to the agenda. It was MSC to approve the agenda of February 15, 2011 as amended. All in favor. Approved. It was MSC to approve the minutes of January 25, 2011. All in favor. Approved.		
2.	PUBLIC COMMENT	None.		
3.	ANNOUNCEMENTS	Norris said the LMC Senate voted 12 to 3 to open up GE and local degree requirements and competencies. Akers said he will have Lynette forward minutes of the CCC Senate to Norris to share the process they are using at CCC. Akers said they have voted to eliminate 2 of 5 areas from their local requirements. Lema said DVC Senate voted on a resolution and principles for departments to use when making cuts for next year when making schedule cuts. She explained DVC is taking a 3% across-the-board schedule cuts and the other 3.2% percent cuts will be recommended by a Task Force. Akers said CCC Senate is still trying to move forward on their SB 1440 degrees but with the budget cuts no new classes can be opened for the degrees. He said CCC historically has not been as involved in budget decisions but they have to make a cultural shift and become more involved.		
4.	HR PROCEDURE 1010.02 UNIFORM EMPLOYMENT SELECTION GUIDE	Council agreed they will review the UESG after this meeting before DGC and collaborate on recommendations. Akers said his Senate had no input on this item. Lema reminded council the Union reps need to be contacted about the proposed changes to the procedure.		
5.	DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLAN	Akers said Dan Henry sent out the highlights of the District-wide meeting to review the District Strategic Plan. He said he		

		<p>thought the process was unbiased and they are trying to get broad input.</p> <p>Norris said he thinks the recommended changes so far look too broad.</p> <p>Akers said he is concerned the District mission statement is not included in the notes. He reported Henry said there's plenty of time before it goes out to all constituents. The timeline is to have it done by the end of June.</p>		
6.	CONTACT WITH THE LOCAL CSU	<p>Norris brought up this issue because the LMC math department TMC uses differential equations and an LMC math instructor discovered they do not articulate with Cal State East Bay. Norris explained CSEB teach that at a junior level and not a freshman/sophomore class. He said there should be a way to get some group or list-serve together for the CSU EB to have discussions with all the local community colleges because there are questions in many disciplines. If it is in the TMC, then the CSU has agreed to accept the courses listed. Norris said DVC does not even have the differential equation course listed. Lema suggested inviting a CSU representative to FSCC to discuss the SB 1440 degrees. Norris said he will contact the CSU representative. Akers suggested looking at Chabot's MOU with CSU EB to possibly adopt our own.</p>	Norris	
7.	TEACHING ACADEMY	<p>Akers said the decision on the Teaching Academy proposals was premature since the deadline had not passed. Council reviewed the discussion they had on the first five proposals. They had discussed funding parts of Denise Knowles proposal, Emerging Technologies and the Digital Learner, because they had questions about the number of units; they approved the Reading Apprenticeship proposal; and they did not approve Ledbetter's proposal for a Great Teachers type proposal because it was too expensive to fund. There are two more that have come in since. One is for an Academy for College Excellence funding; and the other is Understanding, Recognizing, and Troubleshooting Learning in a Population Akers said he supports the concept of the latter proposal but it can't be financially supported as is. Council agreed.</p> <p>Lema said ACE is being implemented at several colleges. This proposal would be to host the program here so faculty do not have to travel to Santa Cruz for five days.</p> <p>Akers said he supports the ACE proposal and the Reading Apprenticeship program. Lema commented DVC already has a Reading Apprenticeship program through Basic Skills, and the proposal should be supported because it is in line with the directives of the district regarding the achievement gap. Council agreed to support the ACE program and the Reading Apprenticeship program. However, Lema said she would like to research if DVC would benefit from these two programs. Akers will get feedback from Lema and work on the proposal response letters, and send them to FSCC for feedback before sending out.</p>	Akers	
8.	SCHEDULE CUTS PROCESSES	<p>Lema has emailed to FSCC the DVC Senate resolution and guiding principles on scheduling cuts. She said part of the justification for the resolution is essentially how we see ourselves as the first two years of a four-year program. She explained the DVC Senate Council want students to receive a rich breadth in educational experiences and curriculum offerings. They want to support the majors they have been</p>		

		<p>developing. She said the DVC Instruction office has been saying the priorities are English, math and science. She said DVC faculty feel students need more than those to bring them in and sustain them. She said even faculty in those three areas did not want drama and other targeted areas guided. She said in addition, the success rates and transfer success rates that were distributed are not accurate, and the first draft of schedule cuts went out with programs already deleted. She explained the resolution recommends a 3% across the board cut using the guiding principles, and another 3.5% to be recommended by a Task Force.</p> <p>Akers said CCC is doing “across-the-board” cuts but through the President's Cabinet and a review of program reviews. He added that Dental was cut because it is an expensive program and training is being done at the workplace. Also soccer is on the cutting block.</p> <p>Norris commented that programs cannot just be discontinued, but must follow a process.</p>		
9.	DGC AGENDA	<p>Council discussed the proposed changes to HR 3030.02 Classified Staff on Selection Committees. Council agreed to support Classified counter proposal. Norris explained if managers vote against the counter proposal it may not be resolved for six months or so. If DGC votes to support the counter proposal it will be voted on at the March Governing Board.</p> <p>Council reviewed the draft of the Governing Board resolution in support of California Community Colleges Budget Priorities. Council agreed they are generally in support of the initiative but have concerns with the third and fifth resolve.</p> <p>Norris said his feeling is the budget reduction implementation plan was going to be workload reduction and goes against the governor. He said suggestions have been made for a shadow program that would put us back to where we were but then we need to make growth above that. Norris said we need to discuss if the governor's plan happens and we are reduced by FTES. Lema said DVC has had issues with their Cap and they are looking at summer as a way to shift and compensate for any shortfall of their cap.</p> <p>Akers said CCC has already paid back the FTES borrowed from DVC and now they are looking at how to grow more.</p> <p>Lema said she is concerned the next regular Board meeting does not include the March 15 notices. She asked if that means there will be a special Board meeting before then. Council agreed to ask the Chancellor about this at DGC.</p>		
10.	ADJOURNMENT	<p>Meeting Adjourned 11:30 a.m. Next meeting March 15, 2011</p>		