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1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR APRIL 12, 2011 AND MINUTES OF THE MARCH 15, 2011 MEETING. (discussion/action) Laurie had asked to add two items to the agenda. 1) Selection of next online platform (WebCT, Blackboard, etc. and 2) Instructional Technology at Chancellor's Consultation. It was MSC to approve the agenda for April 12, 2011. All in favor. Approved. It was MSC to approve the minutes of March 15, 2011. All in favor. Approved.
2. PRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC - All Meetings Are Open - Everyone Welcome (information only) There were no public presentations.
3. ANNOUNCEMENTS (information only) Richard's last day will be June 30.
4. SENATE PRESIDENT ELECTIONS (information/discussion) Council will discuss elections for their perspective Senate officers. CCC is holding elections now. They have two candidates. The President Elect will choose their VP and the election will be completed before Spring Break. LMC is recruiting now, DVC will begin after the break. Laurie said to remind everyone about the Faculty Leadership Institute in June.
5. ACHIEVEMENT GAP (information/discussion) Council will discuss the latest district-wide activities to address the Achievement Gap. CCC has appointed faculty reps to the college and district committees. Laurie said that the district group has met once and will meet again on April 13 to vet suggestions and to put together a presentation.
6. COLLEGE PRESIDENT SELECTION PROCESS (information/discussion) Council will discuss the processes used to hire college presidents in the district. CCC will be facing this issue as of December, when McKinley retires. Richard said that DVC got the best person for the president position – Peter Garcia. He also said that headhunters are recruiting administrators in our district.
7. STUDENT EMAILS (information/discussion) Council will discuss the recent changes to the student email system. CCC has the student email up and running. Laurie will ask for the issue of technology to be on the Chancellor Consultation agenda. DVC has a lot of late start classes that students didn't know about because of lack of email/technology. Laurie will contact Jennifer regarding the agenda item.
8. DGC UPDATE (information/discussion) Council will review and discuss the April 12, 2011 DGC agenda. Michael had concerns over the Free Speech issue and the amount of documents on the agenda. He's concerned about 3002 – Special Admit because LMC doesn't do item #5. LMC allows students to be able to enroll all the time. The first sentence of #1 isn't done either. This is not advanced work. If the student failed the high school course, Laurie and Michael don't feel that they should be able to take up space in the courses that should be available to college students, and don't feel that high school admits should be allowed. Richard said that at one time that 19 of 24 students in one of his classes were high school students and that the college students didn't like it. Richard went to the Principles Breakfast and broached the subject. Student services need to be supported and should recommend that the colleges enforce the policies. Michael is also concerned about the matriculation policy changes and is worried about contractual language. After 15 units, and student evaluation plan should be done and that it is the student's responsibility to make sure it is done. Laurie asked that we have more time to take it to our local Senates for more discussion. Freedom of Expression – FSCC can't let it go forward. They will asked for another reading. Bill Oye will be asked to come to the CCC and LMC Senates to discuss freedom of speech.

9.	<p>SB 1440 (information/discussion) Council will discuss the progress on the SB 1440 transfer degrees. All but one degree proposal has been sent back from the State Chancellor's Office. Richard says that it is not good for morale and that this was supposed to be an expedited process but does not appear to be the case.</p>
10.	<p>TEACHING ACADEMY (information/discussion) Council will discuss next steps to implement the selected Teaching Academy proposals. The intent was to gather more information about the ACES proposal but that didn't happen so them FSCC went with Denise Knowles, Ellen Smith, and Walter Masuda's proposals. Richard heard from Michael that ACES may get funded through another means. Laurie wondered whether it could go through District-wide Faculty Development with training possible for presenters.</p>
11.	<p>SCHEDULE/PROGRAM CUTS, WITHDRAWAL DATES AND REGISTRATION PRIORITIES (information/discussion) Council will discuss the impacts of the schedule cuts, including withdrawal dates and registration priorities, on student access. The FSCC is in support of the resolution to move the census date. Registration priorities have been modified district-wide. Richard is concerned that high school students are not given orientation. Students with 40-60 units get priority registration. Students with 100+units get less priority. EOPS, disabled, and note takers receive priority registration. There is concern with exploitation of system regarding note takers. Regarding program cuts, CCC is facing a 10-15% across the board cut. 50% of the cuts will not affect the STEM areas. Electives will be taking most of the cuts and will affect some programs. STEM will be facing about 5-7% in cuts. Richard is happy with the decisions made. Michael is not happy with the cuts made at LMC. Right now, there will be an 8% cut in Fall, 15% cut in Spring, and the possible closing of the summer session. DVC is facing a little over 6% in cuts. All cuts were announced to the divisions but no reps attended the discussion. Now they are facing 11% in cuts. Laurie is not happy with this. There is a possibility of expanding a one-year program to two years. Laurie feels that DVC is getting down to the bone now. Core courses are starting to be cut. DVC is reluctant to give up summer session. Michael says that if LMC doesn't cut the summer session, then classified and other personnel will be cut. He would rather see them placed on furlough that be cut. There is a rumor that only DVC will have a summer session.</p>
12.	<p>AREA B AND PLENARY SESSION (information/discussion) Council will discuss the proposed resolutions to be voted on at the Plenary Session. 9.02-7 Repeatability issue was discussed and FSCC had many concerns. Laurie doesn't feel like the resolution process functioning in that FACC seems to be taking the lead more that the ASCCC. FSCC agrees and spoke about writing a resolution to this effect. Laurie feels that ASCCC attendees should get extra vacation days when the plenary is scheduled during Spring Break and on Saturdays. Richard mentioned that the rules have changed for ASCCC Plenary payment and that the colleges won't get statements afterwards for unpaid registrations unless it is for no-shows. All registration payments must be made before the plenary session begins.</p>
13.	<p>PROPOSAL FOR ACADEMIC SENATE SELF-STUDIES (information/discussion) Council will discuss a proposal by Doug Sabiston for community colleges to conduct a self-study in anticipation of an accreditation report. Doug wrote a paper for a resolution asking that the college Senates write a self-study prior to accreditation. Michael and Laurie will read the paper and discuss it at the Plenary.</p>
14.	<p>Adjournment – 11:30 Next meeting May 17, 2011 - LAST MEETING OF THE YEAR</p>