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Faculty Senates Coordinating Council Meeting Wednesday, September 18, 2013 12:00 PM-1:00 PM

12:00-12:02 (2 min)	1.	APPROVAL OF AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 18, 2013 AND THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 28, 2013 AND SEPTEMBER 4, 2013 MEETINGS. (discussion/action) It was MSC to approve the agenda of September 18, 2013. All in favor. Approved It was MSC to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2013 meeting. All in favor. Approved. It was MSC to approve the minutes of the September 4, 2013 meeting. All in favor. Approved.
12:02-12:04 (2 min)	2.	PRESENTATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC - All Meetings Are Open - Everyone Welcome (information only) None.
12:04-12:06 (2 min)	3.	ANNOUNCEMENTS (information only) Lema announced the DVC Faculty Senate is discussing changing their name to the DVC Academic Senate.
12:06-12:08 (2 min)	4.	FSCC WEB PAGE (information/discussion) Patton will update council on the development of an fscc webpage on the district web site. Patton reported that a page for FSCC has been set up on the district web site. She posted the meeting dates and bylaws, and has begun posting minutes and agendas. Organ asked Patton to set up a portal site for this Council to share documents. Patton will follow up.
12:08-12:10 (2 min)	5.	DGC MEMBERSHIP (discussion/action) Council will discuss and vote on the motion for of the eight spots for faculty on DGC, DVC and LMC will each have three of which one will be from their centers (San Ramon and Brentwood respectively). ORGAN said CCC Senate approved the proposal to ensure faculty representation from the college centers on DGC. They suggested it be discussed in a year to see if the centers actually participated. Lema said DVC Senate also agreed to the proposal. FSCC will have to revise their bylaws to reflect the change. Giambattista said LMC Senate still needs to discuss it. Council agreed they should let the UF know about this decision and that whichever college the UF president is from will give one of its positions to that person.

12:10-12:15 (5 min)	6.	REPEATABILITY DISCUSSIONS (discussion/action) Council will discuss and vote on the motion for the FSCC Chair to participate in conversations with the District Chancellor, the UF and an ASU representative to discuss strategies to inform state legislators of the impacts of the repeatability rules and encourage rolling back some of the rules. The question was called. Council agreed the colleges and district should have an agreement on any recommendations. All in favor. Approved.
12:15-12:30 (15 min)	7.	FSCC CURRICULUM SUB-COMMITTEE (information/discussion) Council will discuss the results of the meeting of the college curriculum chairs. Kenyetta Tribble met with the Curriculum Chairs and they agreed they do not want a formal District-wide Curriculum committee. They feel they already collaborate well together. She said they do meet when issues arise and communicating with each other is already part of their responsibilities as curriculum chairs. She said they will continue to function as they have been. When courses come through that are part of a family, they will share the course outline and make sure it is part of the appropriate family. And when a new family is to be created, they will share the course outlines with the discipline and report back if there are any concerns. She said they did agree to have a meeting at the end of each semester to share what courses have been approved Council clarified that documentation of their agreements will be in the minutes of the local committees when the chairs report back. Organ suggested they give this a year and see if it is working effectively. Council agreed. Council requested they revisit this topic at their next meeting. Lema suggested FSCC have an MOU with the curriculum chairs on this process. Tribble will work with Lema to write it.
12:30-12:40 (10 min)	8.	Council will review and discuss upcoming agenda items for consultation with the Chancellor. Council reviewed the email request for agenda items that already included repeatability, district-wide planning and timeline, equivalencies, faculty recruitment, and HR Procedure 2040.01Faculty Sabbatical Leaves. Organ reminded Council sent them an email response from Lebaron Woodyard answering his inquiry about equivalencies for disciplines that do not require a Masters degree. Organ said in researching information regarding his question, he looked at policies at 15 other colleges and this Council could look at them for commonalities. Organ stated it is flaw in our policy that HR decides what type of job experience is equal to a degree. That decision should be at the discipline level. He said FSCC could agree how they would like the equivalency policy interpreted and let HR know because as Woodyard pointed out, it is under faculty purview according to AB 1725. And faculty will determine what job experience qualifies for an equivalency. HR will verify the information submitted. Council agreed.
12:40-12:50 (10 min)	9.	CCC BOARD REPORT (information/discussion) Council will discuss its support for CCC's board report on the discontinuance of the dental assisting program. This item was postponed.
12:50-1:00 (10 min)	10.	DISTRICT-WIDE RESERVES Council will discuss the faculty position on the recommendations for the \$30 million district-wide reserves. Lema said she would like to discuss the district-wide reserves as well as a structural surplus that was recently announced. She said they should also discuss a strategy for hiring full-time faculty. Due to time constraints, Council will come back to these discussions.
1:00	10.	ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.