



SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

CITY COLLEGE – MESA COLLEGE – MIRAMAR COLLEGE – CONTINUING EDUCATION

DISTRICT GOVERNANCE COUNCIL MINUTES

October 19, 2011

Present: Allen, Avila, Burgess, Dittbenner, Dowd, Fierro, Figueroa, Greenberg, Hinkes, Hsieh, Lee, Matthew, McGrath (for Luster), Milligan-Hill (for Surbrook), Neault, Parker (for Beebe), Payne, Umstot, Watkins and Chairperson Chancellor Carroll

Absent: Beebe, Luster and Surbrook

Guests: Hill, Liewen-Romeo, Mahler and Picou

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of October 5, 2011, were approved.

2. **REVIEW OF BOARD AGENDA FOR OCTOBER 27, 2011**

The agenda for the October 27, 2011, Board Meeting was opened for review by Chancellor Carroll. Each item was discussed and satisfied.

3. **COMMITMENT TO DEMOCRACY**

Chancellor Carroll presented materials regarding a new national initiative for the development of civic learning and democratic engagement among American community college students: The Democracy Commitment. A signatory event will be held next month, November 4, 2011, where institutions across the country will be recognized for their commitment to preparing citizens for democracy with plans for the year to come and a framework for participation for the future. Academic senate presidents indicated that they, along with the statewide academic senate, would be in support of this initiative.

4. **TRANSFER DEGREE ALIGNMENT**

Vice Chancellors Otto Lee and Lynn Neault discussed the current status of District efforts working on the new transfer degree (SB 1440). The Chancellor reported that there are two pathways that the District will pursue simultaneously: the local option, to develop SB 1440 degrees specific to San Diego State University (SDSU); and the Transfer Model Curriculum (TMC) that is approved by the state but not accepted by all California State Universities, including SDSU. Dr. Lee further reported that SDSU has accepted three of the new statewide TMC degrees: History, Theatre (Youth Specialty) and Math (Science Specialty). Dr. Lee is working with District Vice Presidents of Instruction on the History degree, and distributed a handout illustrating the alignment. He is also working with SDSU on alignment issues with these degrees so that the transition to SDSU is as smooth as possible. Lynn Neault provided a summary of degrees conferred last year compared to the last few years. She reported that the details by discipline are available in the full report online at the web address provided. She further reported that there are several disciplines with very few degrees, yet many transfers, which may be another motivation to work on some local options for SB 1440 degrees.

5. STUDENT PARKING FEE INCREASE

Vice Chancellor of Facilities Dave Umstot reopened discussion from DGC meetings in May 2011, on the continued need for a fee increase in student parking permits. The proposal is to increase SDCCD fees \$5 per semester to \$40, on par with other local area community college campuses so that the operating budget for parking, which is running a deficit, does not need a continuous General Fund subsidy. He added that no maintenance has been performed for some time and that there is no reserve for future parking lot maintenance requirements. Vice Chancellor Neault noted that the Associated Student Government (ASG) is against any increases. Debra Picou, Parking Program Supervisor, reminded the Council that disadvantaged students and carpools will still receive their permits for a lower price. The request for increase is planned for Board consideration this year. The effective date is yet to be determined.

Adjourned 4:30 p.m.

Martha Strong

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