



SAN DIEGO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

CITY COLLEGE – MESA COLLEGE – MIRAMAR COLLEGE – CONTINUING EDUCATION

DISTRICT GOVERNANCE COUNCIL MINUTES

November 5, 2014

Present: Beebe, Beresford, Bocaya, Dowd, Garcia, Haidar, Harris, Hess, Hsieh, Hubbard, Kastelic, Kohlenberg, Kovrig, Liewen, Light, Manis, McGrath (for Luster), Neault, Pawlak, Schmeltz, Surbrook, Watkins, and Chairperson Chancellor Carroll

Absent: Luster

Guests: Cassar

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of October 1, 2014, were approved with the following revisions:

COURSE WAIVERS

Interim Vice Chancellor Shelly Hess opened discussion on course waivers due to concerns raised by District evaluators regarding increased requests for course waivers of program requirements from non-regionally accredited colleges and other agencies. Dr. Hess supplied background information and recommendations and encouraged senates to have further discussion for continued review of this issue at a future meeting. Miramar College Academic Senate President Dr. Buran Haidar presented concerns on behalf of the academic senates. It was agreed that ~~the practice of blanket approval of waivers would be suspended.~~ Exceptions will be made addressed only on a case by case basis. ~~for students who need a course waived in order to meet degree and certificate requirements.~~ Based upon consultation with the District Curriculum and Instructional Council, Drs. Hess and Neault will draft a policy and procedure to address waivers.

2. **REVIEW OF BOARD AGENDA**

The agenda for the November 6, 2014, Board Meeting was opened for review by Chancellor Carroll. Each item was discussed and satisfied.

3. **STATE BUDGET UPDATE**

Executive Vice Chancellor Dowd reported that SDCCD's funding to support student equity, which was expected to be \$2.4 million is actually \$2.7 million. Dr. Dowd reported that the District is in the process of distributing the funds to the colleges and Continuing Education; however, actual funding from the state is dependent upon approval of Student Equity plans. Chancellor Carroll mentioned that the Rainy Day Fund (Proposition 2), which was passed at yesterday's election is an important step for California to achieve fiscal stability.

4. DEGREE AND CERTIFICATE INITIATIVE

Chancellor Carroll reminded the council that the U.S. is moving to increase the number of students receiving degrees to one million more by the year 2020 to meet anticipated workforce demands. She noted that California is behind in numbers of degrees and certificates awarded. Vice Chancellor Lynn Neault handed out copies of a summary of the Degree Initiative Project, initiated by the Chancellor's Cabinet. Over a 4-year period, students with a valid application, transcripts posted from other colleges, an educational plan on file and who have 60 or more degree applicable units earned but have not received a degree, will be reviewed to determine what barriers may be preventing them from getting their degree. These barriers will be addressed as the project develops.

5. BACCALAUREATE PILOT LOGISTICS

Vice Chancellor Neault informed the council that the SDCCD is forging ahead to develop a pilot baccalaureate program in Health Information Management at Mesa College. In order to be eligible to participate in the pilot program, districts must meet two conditions: The first is to have a policy requiring students to submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or a California Dream Act Application in order to be eligible for a Board of Governors Fee Waiver (BOGW). The second condition is to add language into the mission statement regarding the need to provide high quality undergraduate education at an affordable price.

6. POLICY REVIEW

Vice Chancellors Surbrook and Neault reviewed three policies and related procedures that are being enacted and/or modified to comply with the Violence Against Women Act as well as changes to the California Education Code. No concerns were raised.

- BP 3540 – Sexual and Other Assaults on Campus
- BP 3000 – Admission of College Students
- BP 3100 – Student Rights, Responsibilities, Campus Safety and Administrative Due Process

7. TITLE IX COORDINATOR POSITION

Vice Chancellor Neault shared a draft proposal to identify a Title IX Coordinator at each college and Continuing Education to comply with the implementation of the Violence Against Women Act. The proposed structure also includes the creation of a districtwide Title IX team who will meet each semester to oversee the requirements for Title IX compliance. She reported that one important component of compliance is mandatory training for various individuals. The training plan is currently being developed. Dr. Neault will have more updates on training and implementation as they are known.