STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Communications Council Meeting Notes February 28, 2017; 9:00 a.m.

Introductions/Check-in	Paul Parnell, Cheryl Sullivan, Lorrie Hopper, Jan Dekker, Barbara Hioco, Greg Taylor, Christine Miktarian, Lucy Ruiz, Brandon McLaughlin, Kaura Lopez, Ernesto Duran, Dan Hoffman, Darnell Harris, Lacy Barnes, Wendell Stephenson, Liz Romero, Stephanie Curry, Claudette Matz
Student Trustee Policies BP 2015 and BP 2105	There was discussion regarding the student trustee board policies that will be presented at the board meeting in March. Greg Taylor discussed the proposed language relative to the representation of student trustees from each of the colleges. He explained education code requires districts to establish policies relative to student trustee representation and he stressed the student involvement throughout the process of drafting the new language. Greg explained the district also conducted a survey of other multi-college districts to see how other districts dealt with the issue of representatives for their various colleges. He stated drafting new language was a collaborative process and students' suggestions have been incorporated into the draft policies.
Agenda Review (Draft) March 7, 2017, Board of Trustees Meeting	Dr. Parnell led the discussion regarding the board agenda for the March 7, 2017 board meeting was reviewed.
Solar Initiative	Christine Miktarian stated there will be a public hearing at the March board meeting relative to the proposed solar projects. She shared her PowerPoint presentation which contained slides containing the various parking lots within the district and the solar panels and discussed the projected savings per year. She also explained terms of the agreement with ForeFront. Reedley College administration and the RC ASG group expressed their excitement for this project.
	 the Math Science & Engineering building at Fresno City College and how the solar panels might impact the eventual location of the building the neighborhood residents and the objections to the panels, the decision to adjust the plans and not have solar panels north of the OAB the meetings that have taken place on campus and with outside constituents the need to have the project completed by the end of 2017 for additional savings the plan to install during the summer months for the least disruption on the campuses

•	the desire to save as many trees as possible throughout
	the process

• the replanting of native trees on the Fresno City College campus

Constituent Updates

- Associated Students
- Academic Senates
- Classified Senates
- SCFT
- CSEA

Associated Student Government

Brandon McLaughlin, FCC student representative, discussed the January Assembly for Student Government in CA and their role in terms of proposing resolutions and laws that would benefit students. Lacy Barnes mention there should be a student representative on the Districtwide Legislative Committee. Lacy will provide Brandon with the information so that he can get a rep on the Legislative Committee.

Academic Senate

Stephanie Curry stated:

- the academic senate passed a resolution in support of the Guided Pathways
- a Dual Enrollment Committee has been established.

Wendell Stephenson reported

- the academic senate discussed the Educational Master Plan and the mission and vision statements
- they are wrestling with the ACCJA standards on SLO's.

Classified Senate

Darnell Harris stated the

- classified senate held an appreciation week for the campus.
- approved the Dual Enrollment and Distance Education Community Operating Agreements.

Dan Harrell stated:

- the classified senate approved the Education Master Plan
- they are assisting with the development of the Strategic Master Plan.

SCFT Report

Lacy Barnes reported:

- she is working on state level items l
- ast week a group went to Washington DC to address institutional quality and integrity relative to quality assurance groups as it relates to accreditation.
- ACCJC has been given another 18 months to continue and discussed the impending litigations.

President's Reports

Jan Dekker stated:

- the Strategic Plan is in process and will be presented to the board this summer.
- the Reedley College 90th celebration will be March 7, 2017
- announced the upcoming Wall of Honor
- the Green Club participated in clean-up projects and served meals at the Poverello House
- residence hall students volunteered at the college park run last week.

Lorrie Hopper:

- the College Council is moving forward the Educational Master Plan
- the Strategic Plan is scheduled to be approve by the summer
- there will be a faculty learning online course and there is a wait list of 30 faculty members.

Cheryl Sullivan stated

- Dr. Goldsmith is working with the students on a spring unity walk
- announced the journalism conference on campus next month
- working on the Education Master Plan and mission, values goals and vsalues.

Charge Statement SCCCD Vice Presidents Work Group and Research Work Group

Dr. Barbara Hioco brought forward the charge statements for the SCCCD Vice President (VP) Work Group and the SCCCD Research Work Group. She said the work groups reviewed and defined the committee charge statements in terms of their activities as a work group.

Several members asked for clarification on what committees and/or work groups are required to have charge statements as well as how long the work groups have been operating. Dr. Hioco explained there is a list of work groups and committees contained with the manual "The Roles of Constituents in District Decision Making Process". The manual states the charge statements and operating agreements are to be reviewed on an annual basis.

Lacy Barnes stated with regard to the whole governance structure, where do these committees and work groups fit in? She expressed concern that they could potentially circumvent the work of the Communications Council she stated these committees and work groups are new, and asked where do they fit in the structure of governance?

Dr. Parnell clarified the participatory governance process and stated the district will report the activities of the work group and committee charge statements through the Communications Council.

There was discussion regarding the VP Work Group and the fact there have been many interim VP level positions. Lacy expressed concern about so many new people not really knowing the functions of their positions. She stated there are times when groups can get into the area of negotiations or bargaining unit areas. She said it is better to have informed discussions upfront so that there are not eventual PERB issues to take care of. Dr. Hioco stressed the VP work group does get involved in those areas.

District Strategic Planning Committee Operating Agreement

Dr. Hioco explained this document will be brought back at a future meeting. The Chancellor's Cabinet reviewed it on Monday afternoon and had some questions. She will make a revisions and bring it to the next meeting.

Lacy Barnes asked if the district still has the Integrated Planning Work Group or Committee.

Dr. Hioco stated the Integrated Planning is still a committee, but not active at this point.

Dr. Parnell stated if constituents have input on items, he encouraged them to bring the questions or input at the next meeting. He stressed he wants to include people at the beginning of the processes.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 28, 2017; 9:00 a.m. District Office Conference Room