

STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
 Summary of Meeting of Communications Council
 October 25, 2011

<u>Present</u>	Deborah Blue, Terry Kershaw, Lacy Barnes, Bill Turini, Kasey Oliver, Tony Cantu, Larry Dickson, Claudia Habib, Randy Rowe, Michael White, Jothany Blackwood, Teresa Patterson, Melanie Highfill, Ernie Garcia, and Nina Acosta.
<u>Review of Agenda for November 3, 2011, Board Meeting</u>	The November 3, 2011, Board of Trustees meeting agenda was reviewed. Dr. Blue thanked Greg Taylor for his work on the redistricting process. Dr. Patterson stated a press release will be sent to all affected by the redistricting.
<u>Recommended Draft District Planning Council Operating Guidelines</u>	Dr. Blackwood reviewed the draft District Planning Council operating agreement. Council made recommendations for revisions to the draft, including union representation on the council. Dr. Barnes asked who would be responsible for archiving and proving administrative support in general, but particularly when the Chair was not from the administrative ranks. Dr. Blackwood will make the changes and forward to constituent groups for review. The goal is to form the group by January 2012. This item will return to Communications Council in November for final review.
<u>District Procedures for Updating Board Policies and Administrative Regulations</u>	Mr. Taylor reviewed the procedure and spreadsheet with Council. The spreadsheet identifies who is responsible for reviewing the board policies and administrative regulations. The document is color coded to identify academic and professional matters, which will assist in establishing which codes should involve consultation with constituency groups. This document will eventually appear on the general counsel's blackboard page. Mr. Taylor requested that AR 2410 return to the next Communications Council meeting.
<u>District Strategic Issues Identified During the Educational Master Plan Planning Process</u>	Council reviewed the list of recommendation by the Maas group in the October 2010 document. Dr. Blue said this list will be presented to the board for review. As a result of the accreditation visit, the district needs to move forward quickly. Some of the suggestions for changes to the recommendations are: #3- wording should be growing college district instead of identifying State Center as a three or four college district. #7- If a bond measure is to be considered for 2012, there is very little time left. #6- Madera and Oakhurst Centers need to be included. #4- If the Southeast Center is to be included, a work plan and timeline need to be established. Dr. Blue will ask Brian Speece to address the Southeast Center on a future Communications Council agenda and possibly arrange a field trip to the site.
<u>AR7223 (Interim Appointment to</u>	Mr. Rowe reviewed the current language in AR 7223. He stated paragraph four was put in the AR because, historically, it was difficult to recruit with an

<p><u>Vacant Academic Administrator Position) AR7223 (Interim Appointment to Vacant Academic Administrator Position) -continued-</u></p>	<p>interim in place. Since 2003 when the change to the AR was made, potential candidates serving as an interim capacity are unable to apply. Both academic senates will be reviewing the recommendation. Dr. Habib suggested that an interim should be selected through a process, rather than an appointment. Dr. Blue is concerned about the exclusion of interims.</p> <p>This item will return to the November agenda</p>
<p><u>Second Review of Communications Council January 27, 2011, Retreat</u></p>	<p>Dr. Blue asked Council to review the retreat notes for discussion at the next meeting.</p>
<p><u>Student Success Task Force Draft Recommendations and Town Hall meeting</u></p>	<p>Dr. Blue reported FCC is hosting a town hall meeting, presented by the State Chancellor’s Office on November 2, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. to review the Student Success Taskforce draft recommendations.</p> <p>Council will discuss how groups can address the recommendations at the next meeting.</p>
<p><u>Update from the District Governance Structure Workgroup</u></p>	<p>Dr. Barnes stated there are no new updates from the last report. She said based on information provided by Dr. Blackwood on the Strategic Planning Council, she is concerned the two groups would be similar; she further suggested that the word “Strategic” be inserted before the word “Planning” into the title of the draft proposal being circulated by Dean Blackwood. This inclusion would help to discriminate the two groups. Dr. Blue stated the district governance group will be more inclusive.</p> <p>Some other questions raised were: 1. How does the district define shared governance? 2. Is this group participatory or advisory? 3. Where does Communications Council and Chancellor’s Cabinet fit into relationship with this group?</p> <p>Dr. Blue said this item will be placed on the next Chancellor’s Cabinet agenda.</p>
<p><u>Around the Table</u></p>	<p>Council discussed the accreditation visit. Dr. Kershaw said the Willow team commended Willow International on the facilities and student government. Dr. Kershaw said the district needs to start separating instructional programs from Reedley.</p> <p>Mr. Taylor said the team inquired about the board and wanted to be sure they were following board policies.</p> <p>Mr. White said the team recommended speeding up the work on SLO’s.</p> <p>Dr. Habib said the team had question on integrated planning.</p>

	<p>Mr. Cantu said the team commended FCC on student government and the work on governance structure over the last 6 years. He said the team was surprised that FCC was not at the table with respect to growth. They had the same recommendation regarding SLOs.</p> <p>Dr. Blue said she is cautiously optimistic about the outcome of the accreditation visit.</p>
<p><u>Future Agenda Items</u></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. District support/non-support of legislative actions (Lacy Barnes). 2. Reports and Board of Trustees meetings (Ongoing) 3. Facilities Master Plan process (Brian Speece) 4. Southeast area (Brian Speece) 5. Advocacy (Teresa Patterson)
<p><u>Next Meeting</u></p>	<p>The next Communications Council meeting is scheduled for November 29, 2011, in the district office conference room.</p>