STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Summary of Meeting of Communications Council March 27, 2012

Present

Deborah Blue, Jeff Ragan, Tony Cantu, Teresa Patterson, Larry Dickson, Nina Acosta, Sandy Bolt, Terry Kershaw

Absent: Ernie Garcia, Mitjl Capet, Lacy Barnes, Melanie Highfill, Tony Cantu, Christopher Coronado

Review of Board Meeting Agenda for April 3, 2012

Dr. Blue stated Communications Council is not able to review the entire agenda because it is not posted until the following Wednesday. She is recommending moving the meetings to the Thursday afternoons prior to the board meetings. She asked the members to check with their campuses to see if there are conflicts with other meetings.

Dr. Blue reviewed the April 3, 2012, agenda with the council.

Administrative Regulation 2410

Dr. Blue stated the reason this AR was brought forward is because the district have a responsibility to review AR's and BP's on a regular basis. The last update and review was in 2008. Mr. Taylor reviewed the timeline of the review and recommendations by Communications Council for AR2410. This AR has been under review by district constituency groups since January 2011.

Jeff Ragan said the Reedley Academic Senate requested additional time to review the AR because the time allotted was not adequate. The senate adopted a resolution opposing the Chancellor's Cabinet's adoption of the revised AR2410.

Dr. Blue stated the adoption of this AR does not require mutual agreement. Dr. Blue will attend the next Reedley College Academic Senate meeting on April 10, 2012, to discuss AR2410.

Budget Presentation

This item had been removed from the agenda.

Accreditation Updates

Dr. Blue stated the Board of Trustees will be receiving a mini-workshop and updates during the board retreat. Accreditation updates will also be on the May board agenda.

Terry Kershaw reported:

• The academic senate for Willow International (WI) is in place. The Program Review/SLO Committee is established and the operating agreements are in place. The Equivalency Committee operating agreement has been established. The Academic Standards Committee operating agreement is nearing completion. The Flex Committee is working on an operating agreement. The constitution and bylaws have been approved. Officers are being nominated and should be in place by the end of April.

- Classified Senate is established and operational.
- College Center Council is re-organizing existing NC committees to reflect only WI for 2012-2013

Dr. Blue said she has been holding Willow International transitional planning meetings on a regular basis since November 2011 with Mr. Cantu, Dr. Kershaw, Dr. Capet, and other administrators. Dr. Shelly Conner is assisting with working on districtwide issues, a tracking system, and the proposed formation of a districtwide steering committee.

Around the Table and Check-outs

Dr. Patterson stated the Free Speech Committee has finalized a document that sorts out issues regarding political activities, with respect to ARs and BPs.

Ms. Bolt stated the AFT is supporting the compromise initiative and requests the district and Board do the same.

Mr. Dickson announced Kasey Oliver is leaving the district and has accepted a position with the CSEA as a field officer.

Mr. Ragan stated the Reedley College Academic Senate will be meeting today to discuss operating agreements. He said the transition for Willow International, Madera Center, and Oakhurst Center is going well.

Dr. Blue stated documentation is critical for accreditation.

Next Meeting

The next Communications Council meeting is scheduled for April 24, 2012, at 9:00 a.m. in the district office conference room.