

Summary of Communications Council Meeting  
**April 29, 2014**

Present

Bill Stewart, Nina Acosta, Deborah Ikeda, Sandy Caldwell, Teresa Patterson, Lacy Barnes, Tony Cantu, Christopher Guillen, Mary Ann Valentino, Ernie Garcia, Leslie Rata, Jeff Burdick, Stephanie Doyle, Liz Romero

Review of  
Communication Council  
meeting notes for March  
25, 2013

The notes were approved as corrected

Agenda Review – May 6,  
2014, Board of Trustees  
Meeting

Dr. Stewart reviewed the May 6, 2014 board agenda.

Constituent Updates

- Associated  
Student  
Government
- Academic  
Senates
- Classified  
Senates
- SCFT
- CSEA
- Presidents' and  
Chancellor's  
Reports

Ben Anderson reported FCC held their first flea market. FCC started a new media club.

Christopher Guillen reported that Oakhurst will be hosting the upcoming Community Unity.

Mary Ann Valentino reported the FCC academic senate:

- Approved AR 7120
- Approved District HR Staffing Plan
- Had first read on Matriculation (SSSP) Plan
- Did not approve AR 5055; working with Pedro Avila and Tony Cantu to address our concerns
- Did not approve District Technology Plan; working with Tony Cantu to address our concerns
- Sent a request to Pedro Avila to allow our students without SEPs to register prior to the May 8 date
- Working on providing comments on the accreditation report
- Next and last senate meeting is May 14

Jeff Burdick reported the Willow Academic senate has completed working on all of the district documents and operating agreements for the year. The only remaining business has to do with operating agreements for Willow International and transitioning to a new executive committee, headed by president-elect Liz Romero. The new officers will begin their assignments directly after graduation.

Mr. Burdick continues to work with the steering committee of the Common Assessment Initiative and on the Multiple Measures work group, which will be meeting throughout the summer.

He is also working with the state senate's diversity committee for which he presented a breakout session on difficult conversation about race, diversity, and gender issues.

This is his last communications council meeting and next week will be his last board of trustees meeting. He thanked everyone for the support over the past two years.

#### Stephanie Curry

- The RCAS approved AR 7120 and 5055, and the SCCCD Human Resources and Technology Strategic Plan
- The RCAS is looking at the catalog language on multiple degrees. A resolution on changing the language to allow students to earn a local AA and a ADT degree will be on the RCAS May 13 agenda
- The RCAS is also looking to start a discussion next semester on the FW grade.
- Ms. Curry presented at the Spring 2014 Plenary on "Hot topics in Distance Education" focusing in Faculty and Student Preparation for DE courses.

Ernie Garcia approved HR staffing plan. Suzie Nitzel will be the incoming classified president. The classified leadership institute will be held in June. The classified mega conference was a huge success.

Stephanie Doyle announced that Jim Mulligan is incoming president for RC classified senate. RC is gearing up for food pantry. The food drive will take place May 5 through May 18.

Lacy Barnes stated the SCFT executive council passed a resolution regarding course repeatability issue. The resolution will be passed on to the state academic senate organization to be presented to the state chancellor's office. SCFT executive council also passed a resolution supporting AB1945, which asks for changes regarding accreditation. SCFT celebrated its 50th anniversary on April 26 at Tornino's. Ms. Barnes stated that she was invited to attend a Lumina Foundation faculty engagement event in May.

Mr. Cantu stated the Leon S. Peters scholarship reception will take place on April 30, 2014. Men's tennis state champs for a third consecutive year. Moving forward with planning processes (accreditation education master plan).

Sandra Caldwell stated Reedley, Madera, and Oakhurst are focusing on strategic planning. She thanked the DBRAAC on behalf of RC for their work on creating the District Resource Allocation Model. This was very hard work and took a great deal of time to produce. It has been the perspective of RC that this model is only a starting point from which to evolve a more appropriate model. As such and in the spirit of continuous quality improvement and as required by the DBRAAC committee COA, RC has asked that a review and evaluation of the model be done in order to evolve the model. This topic has already been agendaized by the committee and was tabled at its last meeting. With the short time remaining in the semester and

with the requirement of the committee to evaluate the model, Dr. Caldwell requested that the DBRAAC meet as soon as possible and, in the spirit of continuous quality improvement, evaluate and evolve the model into one that will more adequately allow for the scope and role of the institutions and provide for adequate district operations in a manner that is sustainable in the coming years.

Deborah Ikeda stated the needs assessment study will be before the Board of Governors for approval on May 18. The name will change to the Clovis Community College Center. She thanked Jeff Burdick for all of his work as academic senate president.

**Next Meeting: May 27, 2014, 9:00 a.m., District Office Conference Room**