San Joaquin Delta College
President’s Council

Attendees:  Dr. Raul Rodriguez, Superintendent/President; Vince Brown, Vice President of Human Resources; Lee Belarmino, Vice President of Information Services; Janice Takahashi, Academic Senate President; Eloisa Millan (proxy for Jan Truscott, Management Senate President); Matt Wetstein, Dean of Planning, Research & Institutional Effectiveness; Joyce Giovanetti, Classified Senate President
Absent:  Trudy J. Walton, Vice President of Student Services; Kathy Hart, Vice-President /Asst. Supt. of Instruction; Catherine Mooney, Policy and Procedure Representative; Dana Baker, CSEA President; Nicole Vanderjack, ASBG Representative; Jon C. Stephens, Vice President of Business Services; Navid Shaghaghi, Student Representative; Joe Gonzales, CTA President; Greg Greenwood, Public Information Officer

Guests:

College Mission Statement (BP 1200)
The mission of San Joaquin Delta College is to provide excellent post-secondary education that serves the needs of students, the College District and the community through continuing, transfer, career and technical education, and economic development. To achieve this objective, the faculty and staff are committed to providing comprehensive instructional programs, student services and public services that are high quality.

In fulfilling its mission, San Joaquin Delta College acts upon the following principles:

- Commitment to excellence requires effective collaboration, respect for cultural diversity, appreciation of historical perspective, open communication, high academic standards, a vital connection to the arts and cultures of the community, and competitive athletics.
- Student success and equity are founded on a well-coordinated and institutionally-integrated developmental education program.
- Educational resources are available to all students regardless of age, disability, gender, or ethnicity.
- Institutional renewal must include continuous improvement through new and revised curricula; the use of student learning outcomes to enhance student performance; new and effective technologies; and ongoing faculty and staff professional development.
- All aspects of the College encourage good citizenship, responsible leadership, ethical behavior, and the appreciation of lifelong learning.

Minutes

I.  Review of the Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda
    Review of the April 7, 2009 Board of Trustees Agenda.

II. Review of the President’s Council Agenda
    Review of the April 1, 2009 President’s Council agenda.

IV. New Business
    A. Accreditation Update – Dr. Rodriguez
       Dr. Rodriguez announced that the Accreditation Report was completed and was submitted to the Commission. He stated Trustee Brown and Trustee Rivera reviewed the report on Monday, March 30, prior to submitting the report.
    B. Donations – Dr. Stephens
       Dr. Stephens was not present. Vince Brown spoke to the donations received by the college.
       Rick Berger -  Value $1,653.00 (wedding dress)
       Mr. and Mrs. Fred Weybret - $500.00 (cash)
Mr. Ted Simas - $150.00 (cash)
The Council accepted the donations.

C. Revised Assessment Re-Take Practices – Dr. Wetstein
Dr. Wetstein spoke regarding the New Retake Policy (Additional Changes) effective May 22, 2009. He stated the multiple choice retake test for reading and math will be discontinued as well as the composition retake test. Instead, students will be allowed retesting for all subjects as COMPASS – a computer adaptive test. There are 3 sequence of tests in which a student may retest. Janice Takahashi asked if this has been taken to the Academic Senate. She stated that she would report this information to Academic Senate at her afternoon meeting. It was agreed to delay approval until after she reported the information to the Academic Senate.

D. Proposed Revision Policy 2500, Academic Senate of San Joaquin Delta College - Dr. Wetstein
Dr. Wetstein stated by adding “and procedures” and/or procedures” (lines 9-10 and 72) to the policy, this revision enables representatives of the Academic Senate to bring its concerns over both policies and procedures directly to the Board of Trustees for collegial consultation and mutual agreements. The Council approved the revisions.

E. Proposed Deletion Policy 5200.1, Credit/No Credit Grading Option to AP42301, Pass/No pass Grading Option – Dr. Wetstein
Dr. Wetstein stated that Academic Senate proposes to keep paragraph B (lines 11-16) in the policy. Eliminating the current limit on use of the P/NP (previously C/NC) raises questions of rigor and integrity, might devalue degrees awarded, remove academic incentives, and disadvantage students who apply for transfer. Academic Senate agrees to replace notation of “C/CN” with “Pass/No Pass.” The Council approved the revisions.

V. Agenda Items for Future Meetings

VI. Council Member General
Questions/Announcements/Informational Items
Dr. Rodriguez announced that the Commencement Ceremony would now be held at the Stockton area. He stated that Trudy Walton’s office is handling the planning of the commencement ceremony. He further stated that there is a committee and anyone having any questions should contact her office.

Joyce Giovanetti announced that the Classified Retreat is scheduled on Wednesday, April 8, 2009.

VII. Coming Events: http://calendar.deltacollege.edu/