

COLLEGE OF SAN MATEO

College Council Meeting Summary

October 6, 2010

College Council meetings are open to all members of the campus community

Members Present: Diana Bennett, Stephanie Chiou, Mike Claire, Susan Estes, Charlene Frontiera, David Locke, Dave McLain, Eileen O'Brien, Jeannine Robertson, Robertino San Diego, Huy Tran

Members Absent: Vivian Abellana, Michele Hagggar, Jennifer Hughes, Barry Jointer

Review Meeting Agenda: Item, "Spirit of CSM Award." was moved to the Nov. 3 meeting.

Review Meeting Summary of 9/15/2010: No changes were made.

Art on Campus Committee

Diana Bennett distributed the final draft of the Art on Campus Policy and highlighted the changes from the previous draft. A question was raised about maintenance of artwork; Mike Claire will ask the other college presidents how it is handled at their colleges and report back to Council. Krys Bobrowski and Jude Pittman, members of the committee were in attendance. Diana commended the committee for its work on the policy. She asked Council members to share the draft with their constituents and bring feedback to the next meeting.

Budget Update/Measure G Funding

Mike Claire distributed information about the State budget from Kathy Blackwood that summarized the impact on education. For community colleges, it provides for minimum enrollment growth, restores funding for categorical funds and Economic and Workforce Development programs. It also creates a deferral of community college funds to next year which has and will continue to cause cash flow problems for some districts, but fortunately, not for the SMCCCD. More information will be available in the coming weeks. The Budget Planning Committee is working on refining the budget forecast for the year but needs more information from the state. There will be an all-college budget meeting in November.

Thanks to Measure G, and the college's budget planning process, CSM does not have a budget deficit. Mike reported that he doesn't foresee any across-the-board cuts. The preliminary allocation of Measure G from the district for 2010-11 is \$1.7 million (minus \$364,000 for benefits) which was significant in bridging the previous budget gap. The funds will ease the burden for students to get access to high demand classes. He also reported it is likely we will hire more adjunct faculty, (full time faculty will be hired but not funded by Measure G) and classified once college determines the area(s) of greatest need. If there remains a surplus, the BPC will determine how it will be spent, according to priorities established by the planning process.

IPC

Diana reported that institutional plans are complete and posted on the PRIE site and addendums will also be posted. The committee will revisit the planning calendar to make it more user friendly.

Smoking Policy

Council members received an email from Jennifer Hughes that provided an update from the Smoking Task Force. Jeannine Robertson, a member of the task force reported that the feedback received about the revised smoking policy was very positive and it was working better than the previous policy. Some effective modifications have been made in certain problem areas; issues with the Socrates Lot are still pending, however, a number of suggestions are under consideration.

Accreditation

Susan Estes reported that the midterm report was approved by the Board and sent to ACCJC. The college will be notified in January of action taken by the Commission.

Construction

Mike Claire said that the Department of the State Architect has approved the hill adjacent to Building 10; landscaping will be added to the area. The contractor for building 10 expects the building to be substantially completed by the end of 2010. There is a tentative plan to open the building to students during spring break. He offered to take College Council members on a tour of the building in the coming weeks.