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Minutes of April 16, 2014

Time	Topic	Discussion	Further Action
	Call to Order		
	Approval of Minutes from April 2, 2014		Motion by A Alsip for approval of the Minutes of April 16, 2014 2nd by J Lamore Voice vote - unanimous
	President's Report	<p>President Au reported on the following items in her President's Report (attached):</p> <p>ASCCC Spring Plenary Final Resolutions: now available at http://asccc.org.2014-spring-session-resolutions. The Spring plenary session included a discussion led by specialist Debra Sheldon on the Student Success Support Program (SSSP) and Student Equity Plan ramifications.</p> <p>BOG Proposed Metrics: these are indicators of the 4 primary system goals of the CC system: 1) student success, 2) equity, 3) service, 4) efficiency. Metrics include a) scorecard completion / persistence / 30 unit rates; Math/English remedial rates, CTE completion rates, b) number of students earning AA and AS for transfer, c) equity in completion rate among race/ethnicity subgroups, d) percentage of students who have an education plan, e) average FTES spent per student, f) number of FTES spent per outcome within 6 years. Links to this and the CCCCO Student Success Scorecard 2013 State of the System Report are provided in the attached report.</p> <p>District Budget Committee Allocation: the proposed tentative state apportionment allocation is 69.16% v 30.84% (SBVC/CHC), based on previously established recommendations from DBC to the Chancellors Cabinet. SBVC had faculty representation during the discussion. A link is provided; contact A Au with feedback or concerns.</p> <p>Accreditation: C Huston and CHC representatives will jointly present the current status/findings to the Board of Trustees at the April 24 study session.</p> <p>Senators are invited to bring important issues to the final two Senate meetings.</p> <p>The Fall Plenary will be held locally in Irvine, Nov. 13-15.</p>	

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	New Business (cont)	<p>Overall completion is defined as attempting a transfer-level course in a student's first five years. "Prepared" is defined by arriving at the college eligible to take college-level courses. The preparedness gap is especially distressing among African-American arrivals.</p> <p>J Stankas asked how the SEP would interface with the current Basic Skills and newly named Matriculation Plan to show how we are helping student success and matriculation through our institution. J Smith said plan integration was a major goal this year. Enrollment Management Plan and Basic Skills plan goals address the numbers and pitfalls in the SEP and vice versa. "We evaluate [and report] regarding whether or not there is integration of plans; we for sure want to avoid conflicting goals."</p> <p>Institutional Set Standards for Online: J Jackson reported that Distance Education (DE) is under increased scrutiny by ACCJC. The Online Committee presented for consideration: "SBVC's Institution-Set Standards for Distance Education are based on the California State Average for Retention and Success for distance education classes offered for credit. This information can be found at the State Chancellor's Office's Datamart website.</p> <p>"SBVC's institution-set standard for DE will be met if the retention and success for distance education courses are equal to or greater than the state averages for DE classes. SBVC's institution-set standard will not be met if either success or retention for DE classes falls below the state average for DE classes for three consecutive semesters."</p> <p>K Weiss explained that DE students are expected to meet all accreditation standards. Any provided services, e.g. counseling, financial aid, must be equally available to DE students. ISS provides a "floor" for success/retention; it is our internal marker for institutional success. Historically and nationwide, success rates are lower for DE courses than face-to-face; SBVC's stated goal is to stay above state averages. She noted that Valley's DE program is outstanding. J Jackson said that in the past six semesters, only one course fell a single percentage point below state numbers. A 5- or 10% cushion factor was considered but rejected by the committee.</p>	

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	Public Comments		
	Announcements	<p>A Alsip invited faculty to a Stress Oasis event April 24; snacks and tea will be provided to accompany lunch and aroma therapy.</p> <p>K Weiss invites everyone to an April 25 screening of Lindsey Wagner's film, "Message From Holly"; it is a fundraising event to support sending a Valley student to an advanced actress workshop. Tickets for the film and Q&A (sold at the bookstore) are \$20 in advance, \$30 at the door.</p> <p>Joseph Williams, Board of Trustees clerk, thanked Senate for the privilege of witnessing the workings of the body.</p>	
4:30	Adjourned		

