

February 10, 2015

- One challenge of the large influx of Student Success and Student Equity money has been hiring the new faculty, staff, and mangers to carry out our great SSSP Plan (<u>attached</u>) and Student Equity Plan (<u>attached</u>). So it was good news from the Chancellor's Office last week (<u>attached</u>) that we have until December 31, 2015 to spend the 2014-15 allocations for those two programs.
- 2. As evidence of the massive hiring under way, James reported on the Requests to Fill in Progress (attached). You will note there are 70 positions on the list.
- Bill reported on attending a regional meeting of faculty and managers of neighboring colleges and employers taking part in our Superregional HVACR Collaborative (<u>attached</u>). Getting behind on your acronyms? HVACR is Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, and Refrigeration. This is one of the programs slated to receive funding from the state \$50 M CTE Enhancement Fund.
- 4. Speaking of CTE state funding, Bill continues his assignment on the BOG Workforce Task Force and just supplied feedback to the state consultant working on a paper entitled "Funding Drivers of CTE Capacity." The <u>attached draft</u> of the paper has Bill's suggestions in underlined bold format.
- Good news from the Accrediting Commission (<u>attached</u>). At their semi-annual meeting last month 15 of 17 California Community College received full Reaffirmation of Accreditation. Only two, sister colleges Crafton Hills and San Bernardino Valley, were put on warning. Cabinet discussed American Samoa College being put on Show Cause, the most severe sanction.
- A letter from the LA County Board of Supervisors (<u>attached</u>) discussed their interest in the transition of emancipated foster youth to college and employment. As this is a population Mt. SAC serves well but has challenge in identifying, <u>Audrey will follow up to see what</u> connections can be made.
- 7. Bill shared the latest Government Relations Update (<u>attached</u>) from Jill Dolan, Director of Public Affairs. Cabinet discussed the four new bills outlined in the report.
- 8. On the issue of securing digital portable radios for campus emergency communications, Mike reported that this expense will be presented as a high priority for the New Resource Allocation process soon to begin.

- 9. Irene and Audrey continue to ramp up for restoration of our dual enrollment program for Mt. SAC courses taught at local high schools. (Political correctness alert. The term "concurrent enrollment" is out and is replaced by "dual enrollment.") Cabinet discussed the optimum components of partnering with high schools on dual enrollment: 1) an articulate and compelling purpose for Mt. SAC to offer courses at the high schools, 2) a strong commitment from the high schools, 3) solid commitment from departmental faculty, and 4) facilitation of the paperwork and process from Mt. SAC staff. Cabinet agreed that dual enrollment should be the main topic for the annual High School Partners Dinner and that Tuesday, March 31, would be an ideal date. Audrey will work with Denise on setting up the High School Partners Dinner.
- 10. Cabinet authorized the hiring of a full-time faculty member in Physics to begin next fall and to hire two faculty in Mathematics if the current pool is strong enough.
- 11. Items for future agendas (items for the **next** Cabinet meeting are shown in **BOLD**:
 - a. Emergency Response Plan Implementation (Karen Saldana, 2/17)
 - b. International Student Initiative-Support and Services (Audrey, 2/17)
 - c. Classroom Utilization Project (Mike & Irene, 2/24)
 - d. Methods to Reduce Student Accounts Receivable Debt (Mike, 2/24)
 - e. Dual Enrollment Offerings at Local High Schools (Irene & Audrey, 3/24)
 - f. BP and AP 3700—Social Media (Yen, 2/17)