

President's Cabinet
Friday, February 26, 2010
11:00 a.m., President's Office

Present: Richard Akers, Kristina Bautista, Carol Maga, Mariles Magalong, McKinley Williams

Absent: Mercy Pono

1. **Constituency Reports** – Students - Kristina said they are encouraging students to attend the March 22nd rally in Sacramento at the Capitol. This is great way to raise awareness about students' higher education. We held a successful panel discussion on violence in our community. Kristina thanked the managers and faculty for attending this forum. There was a full audience. Richard suggested that next time the event be recorded and shown on You Tube or some other media that connects it to our ASU. Richard complimented the students on a great panel discussion. Kristina said they are holding a discussion on relationship violence (domestic violence) next week. Mack told Kristina that we had a series of debates in the past with provocative subjects with audiences that filled LA-100. Former topics were immigration, registering HIV patients, and other hot topic political issues. People will attend if the topic is provocative and current. Mack said these kinds of forums lend themselves to teaching moments for our students, especially if the students are able to see their professors take opposing sides on issues.
 Faculty - Richard said that faculty are doing all they can to help out in this fiscal crisis. This crisis has prompted a lot of unification in spite of ambiguity with our budget and specific reductions. There are many conversations around vocational courses, serving our community, the American Graduation Initiative, and the State's financial neglect. Faculty are carrying more students and prudently working. We are looking at tough times ahead that we haven't faced in a long time. Richard has been working with the Study Abroad Selection Committee.
 Management - Mack said we held our management council meeting yesterday. We did some training on the Local 1 contract with Gene Huff. We spent most of our time talking about the budget and the impact on our college. We will have another Executive Staff meeting on Monday to discuss our reductions. Mack would like to schedule another President's Cabinet next week to discuss the possibility of a College Budget Forum. Mack said he heard some rumblings at the last board meeting in regards to CCC not eliminating management positions as at that board meeting both DVC and LMC eliminated four management positions. Mack indicated that the reduction in management FTE will be 3.5 to 4.5 depending on the outcome of the VP position at DVC. Mack explained that the Foundation Director's position will not be filled and 1.5 FTE of other management positions will be removed from the general fund. We will continue to look at how we will continue to trim our budget. The next President's Cabinet will be scheduled for Friday, March 5 at 3:30 p.m. Mack said he wanted to discuss our recommended reductions at the college budget forum and open up the forum to discuss ideas for other cost savings measures. Last time we were in a fiscal crisis, we took a look at limiting our campus telephone use. Mack said we spend a lot of money on paper making copies and we need to begin discussions on how we can cut those costs.

2. **American Graduation Initiative** – Mack said he asked Linda and Seti to attend the next meeting at the district because of the grant implications. The meeting at the district is next week.

The district wants us to apply for these monies as a region. George Miller was instrumental to initiate getting these dollars allocated and has asked us to apply. The grant is going to try to increase the number of students graduating from community colleges and there is also a piece that allocates money for capital improvement. Mack said we submitted a proposal to the Gates Foundation last year and in that grant we had a lot of initiatives that could fit into this particular application. Mack asked if we can find time next week to sit down and look at both grants. Tuesday, March 3rd at 8:30 a.m. seemed to work for Richard, Carol and Mack. Mack told Kristina if she was not available she was certainly welcome to send a representative.

3. Richard said he met with the Chancellor the other day and he discussed the Martin Padilla memorial presentation with her. Helen said she would personally contribute and said she was certain that some of the Governing Board members would probably contribute too. Mack said we need to set up an account in the Foundation so we may start collecting funds. Mack asked Richard to send the electronic presentation to Jennifer so she may send it out to the managers.

4. **College Council Agenda** – change #6 to the Martin Padilla Memorial
 - Call to Order
 - Public Comment
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Minutes from February 10, 2010
 - College Mission Statement Review of Process – Final Approval – Research and Planning
 - Martin Padilla Memorial – Reports from constituency groups on location, fundraising ideas, etc.
 - Review of Meeting Protocol – report back from Jennifer on other colleges
 - AARC Report
 - Budget Update
 - Remodel and Other Measure A Activities
 - Reports from Constituency Groups
 - Announcements
 - Next Meeting – April 14, 2010
 - Adjournment

5. Carol reported the I3 grant was unfortunately not funded.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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