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Minutes of September 2, 2015

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	Call to Order		
	Approval of Minutes from August 19, 2015		Motion by J Lamore for approval of the Minutes of August 19, 2015. 2nd by P Ferri-Milligan Voice vote – unanimous save two abstentions
	President's Report	<p>J Gilbert reported on the following (attached):</p> <p>Welcome to New Adjunct Senators: Horace Crogman (Physics) and Cynthia Wilhite (Human Services) are first-time senators.</p> <p>Standing Committees Approved: all standing committee members have now been appointed. A list of chairs and appointments is on the Senate web site. Please contact J Gilbert if not yet appointed. Six committees are active for this term.</p> <p>Faculty Vacancies: replacement positions include: Business (closes 9/4) Geography (10/17) Mathematics (9/18) Nursing/Pediatrics (open till filled) Psychiatric Technician (open till filled)</p> <p>Fall Update: the Chancellor has requested agenda time for the Sept. 16 meeting, which will be held in the Library Viewing Room. Extended time will be provided for questions.</p> <p>Professional and Leadership Development Opportunities: an Innovation & Instructional Design Institute is in Riverside January 20-22, 2016.</p>	

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	New Business	<p>District Budget Update: Jose Torres provided details regarding the revised growth fund formula. Gov. Brown seeks to mandate that the state chancellor's funding formula shift to a needs basis. Our district is currently serving 2.12% of the state's entire college population, but receives funding for 1.28%; a one-time adjustment is forthcoming. We expect 7.44% growth funding from the state. A new multi-year allocation model is underway. The 70/30 district model did not work well, creating a competitive spirit between the two campuses, too many unfunded FTES, and no clear direction. The new task-force-created model looks ahead to future growth plans. Next year's growth targets are: CHC 6%, SBVC 4%, with no unfunded FTES for Valley. District assumes a 1.2% COLA, which offers an FTES rate of \$4,723. COLA also affects the basic college funding based on size, with SBVC ranked as medium. The state has added its own increase of 4.65%. \$810,000 is provided for ongoing full-time faculty funding, which will increase our Faculty Obligation Number (FON) by 10 positions. (7-8 is more realistic when benefits are calculated.) These district positions will be allocated to the colleges based on calculated FONs; it's expected that a majority will come to SBVC. A block grant of \$1.9M is earmarked for supplies and structural priorities, to be split between the two campuses and district. \$427K is being provided through Proposition 39 for a 5-year plan, now in Year 3, for energy efficiency. The exact amount of SSSP funding for student success is yet to be determined. Matching mandates have been reduced to 1.3/1, which is good for the district. Other categoricals, e.g. EOPS, Cooperative Agencies Resources For Education (CARE), Calworks, DSPS are getting 1.02% COLA increases. A one-time funding infusion of \$8M comes to the district between December and April as a make-good for all past mandated costs, to be allocated by credited FTES, meaning past growth helps bring our college more funds. District will propose to the Board that only \$6.2M be spent; immediate priorities include \$500K for a new system for HR/Fiscal; \$1.5M for HLS needs, including a new generator; \$1.2M to CHC for a conservation switch to non-potable water with anticipated annual savings of \$200K; \$1.5M for STRS and PERS. \$1M is being requested to help both campuses keep meeting FTES growth goals; \$500K is suggested for Program Review. A contract needs approval for a facilities master plan for next year, with a possible new series of bond money on top of \$35M to be sold through Measure M. R Pires asked if the College Brain Trust report would be considered in allocations. J Torres replied that "We want to let the colleges determine their process." G Fisher said it would be her role to argue on behalf of SBVC at the district level; so far every vacancy has been filled, i.e. 8 faculty and a few classified positions. No vacant positions were eliminated.</p>	

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	New Business (cont)	<p>Who are the main stakeholders, and how are they affected or benefited How to establish minimum qualifications for instructors How the program will be overseen How can non-credit be offered He concluded it needs to be a faculty-driven endeavor, a team effort with many components. The next meeting is Sept. 21. J Gilbert addressed the concern of district possibly having its own non-credit plan.</p> <p>Resolutions [First Reading]: FA15.01 – Developing a Non-Credit Program Implementation Plan FA155.02 – Researching an International Program Implementation Plan J Gilbert read both resolutions (attached), noting that regarding international students, Senate has not yet endorsed anything; he cited Ed Code § 53200, establishing Senate’s purview.</p>	
	Old Business	<p>Review: Committee Structure 2014-2016: J Gilbert still solicits changes regarding meeting times/dates. More substantive changes, e.g. who serves on a committee, require changing the AP. A question about the Honors Committee will be on our Sept. 16 agenda. Student involvement on committees is handled through ASG.</p>	
	Committees	<p>Ed Policy – no report Student Services - no report. Personnel Policy - no report. Career & Tech Ed - no report. Financial Policy - no report. Equity and Diversity - no report. Legislative Policy - no report. Elections - no report.</p> <p>Curriculum – L Hector’s group had its first meeting Aug. 31. Emails are coming regarding upcoming CurricuNET workshops prior to the Oct. 1 deadline.</p> <p>Program Review – P Ferri-Milligan said the committee’s first meeting was Aug. 28; the group reviewed needs assessment forms and processes. EMPs are going out Sept. 3.</p> <p>Professional Development – R Hamdy’s committee met last week and is already planning flex and inservice days. Senators are requested to get travel requests in early. The committee is working with HR to preserve the sabbatical lost due to a faculty resignation.</p>	

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	Announcements	S Meyer: the Sunroom will reopen Sept. 8.	
	Public Comments	<p>M Copeland expressed concern about the high expense of fact-finding trips G Kuck is taking to research the international student program; details are on p. 179 of the board packet. "This is all to foster relationships for a program we do not have."</p> <p>A Chatterjee addressed the funding challenges of getting vocational student surveys.</p>	
4:40	Adjourned		