SAN DIEGO CITY COLLEGE
STUDENT SERVICES COUNCIL

May 12, 2011
1:00 – 2:30 p.m.
Conference Room D-102

Summary

PRESENT: Alisia Acevedo, Rafael Alvarez, Dotti Cordell, Denise Hollis, Lou Humphries, Mary Jane Kruse, Bonnie Peters, DeeDee Porter, Gerald Ramsey, Greg Sanchez, Megan Soto, Denise Whisenhunt, Peter White, Debra Wright-Howard

STAFF: Desiree van Saanen

A. GENERAL UPDATE – STATE BUDGET AND DISTRICT-COLLEGE IMPLICATIONS

There still has been no positive movement in Sacramento to approve the governor’s proposed tax extensions. On a positive note, the District’s budget deficit may be mitigated by $1.6 billion funding to Proposition 98 benefactors (K-12 and community colleges) due to an increase in current tax-year revenues. However, the Governor’s May Revise is dependent upon the approval of the tax extensions, which are unlikely to achieve the two-thirds vote of the legislature required to be placed on a ballot. Peter indicated that SDICCCA is planning a joint meeting in the near future to discuss budget implications and strategies as districts across the state brace for an “all-cuts” budget.

Introduced by Nancy Skinner to the legislature, AB 1130 would tax 1% on the top 1% earners, people making $500,000 a year and up. Given the fact that the bill would need to pass the legislature with a two-thirds majority vote, the bill is not anticipated to reach voters. However, a recent poll of California voters indicates that both Republicans and Democrats would support the bill.

Council briefly discussed the pros and cons of AB 515, which would allow colleges to establish fee-based credit courses. Under this bill, districts would charge students directly for the courses taught in this format. Courses would receive no apportionment and could not be supported with general fund monies, though students would qualify for financial aid for such courses. It was noted that while the bill would allow for the scheduling of more impacted courses, the long-term effects could prove negative in terms of securing funding for regular non-fee courses.

The University of California is looking into charging students higher fees for attending the more popular, in demand campuses. The UC’s Board of Regents will consider this and other strategies in an effort to address budgetary cuts. Other university systems in the nation have taken this approach; however, opponents feel it is just one step closer to an elitist system.

B. NEW OR MODIFIED APPLICATION, REGISTRATION AND OTHER ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT PROCESSES

Chancellor’s Cabinet agreed to the following changes effective Fall 2011-Spring 2012:
B. NEW OR MODIFIED APPLICATION, REGISTRATION AND OTHER ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT PROCESSES (continued)

1. **Fall 2011** - There will be an August 1 admission application “soft” deadline for Fall 2011. No registration appointments will be issued after this date. Students who apply after that date must wait until August 15 to register. They will be told (exact wording not yet finalized) they may not have access to Student Services (assessment counseling, etc) and will have the lowest priority for fall registration. They will be strongly encouraged to instead plan on a successful spring 2012 registration by scheduling assessment, counseling, financial aid, etc. over the course of the fall. Fall applications will not be accepted after August 15. The application deadline for spring 2012 will be Dec 1. Peter will look into whether Dec. 1 is a hard or soft deadline.

2. **Fall 2011 and Spring 2012** - There will be a suspension of concurrent high school enrollment except for students in MOU- or contract-based special programs approved by each college’s president.

3. **Spring 2012** - There will be a reduction in the number of times a student can take the same course on a state-funded basis from four to three. This includes W’s and F’s. (This does not apply to the courses currently coded as repeatable. Nor does it apply to courses with a prior satisfactory grade, which continue to be allowed for unfunded repeat only by petition.) The state is already moving in this direction, and even now our district requires a petition to take the course the third time.

4. **Spring 2012** – There will be an adjustment of the priority registration categories to: a) lower the priority of students with a BA degree or higher; b) lower the priority of students who have two or more AA degrees; c) group all students with 100+ units into a new, low priority category (EOPS, DSPS or Vets with 100+ units would be included in this new group); and d) lower the priority of concurrently enrolled university students.

The changes were discussed internally through District Student Services and Instructional Cabinet before reaching Chancellor’s Cabinet for approval.

C. SUMMER 2011 – INSTRUCTIONAL OFFERINGS, SERVICE HOURS AND TRAINING TOPICS & DATES

As was reported in the April 2011 SSC meeting, the only summer 2011 courses offered will be courses that honor specific commitments, i.e. specialized allied health programs, Vocational Nursing courses, Cosmetology courses, SDSU math and English basic skill courses, Study Abroad, and courses needed by students who have petitioned to graduate this summer. No summer schedule of classes will be distributed, nor will registration appointments be issued. Specific cohort students will be contacted by district, who will check each student’s eligibility and once cleared, will provide the add codes necessary to process enrollment.

It was noted that no special treatment will be offered to students who qualified for summer registration but did not take advantage of their priority status.

Peter reported that there has been no further discussion at the district regarding instituting a 4/10 workweek in Fall 2011. This scenario is very unlikely.
C. SUMMER 2011 – INSTRUCTIONAL OFFERINGS, SERVICE HOURS AND TRAINING TOPICS & DATES (continued)

Council members agreed to support offering one or two Student Services all-staff trainings over the summer. The retreats will be mandatory and will serve to alert staff to the changes approved by Chancellor’s Cabinet, as well as operational changes that will affect services to students and how services are delivered. The initial retreat date/time was agreed to as follows:

**Thursday, June 9**
3:00-6:00 p.m.
Staff Lounge

During the retreat, a brief overview of the Student Success Initiative (Title V) will also be provided. Peter will require that Student Services offices close during the retreat in order to ensure ALL Student Services personnel are able to attend. He will also contact Lynn Neault’s office to see if one or more representatives from District can participate.

The regular SSC meeting will be moved to June 2 (regular time and place).

D. GRADUATION UPDATE – No Update

E. PROGRAMS AND SERVICES UPDATES – No Update

F. RUMOR CONTROL – No Update

G. SUMMER SSC MEETINGS

- Thursday, June 2 (Regular Meeting, 1-2:30pm, D-102)
- Thursday, June 9 – STAFF TRAINING

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H. FALL 2011 MEETINGS (Please Calendar):

- September 8
- October 13
- November 10
- December 8

**Note:** All meetings will be held 1-2:30 p.m. in room D-102.