I. Call to order: 2:34
II. Minutes from December 12, 2011 were approved by consensus
III. Additions/Adoption of Agenda was approved by consensus
IV. Announcements

a. Veterans Center Room A220 - P. Haro announced that the new Veterans Center has opened in Room A220. San Diego City College has enrolled 700 veterans and predict that number to increase sufficiently in the coming years. P. Haro encourages senators to make sure their departments are aware of the addition to the campus.

b. Faculty Mentors - P. Haro also announced that the Veterans Center is also in need of faculty mentors. He will send out a mentoring survey to gain feedback and knowledge of interested parties.

c. Library - S. Pesce announced that senators will be receiving an email from their library liaison informing you that Ebsco databases have been added to the library website. Senators are encouraged to contact their library liaison with any comments, questions or concerns.

d. Online Steering - S. Pesce announced that there is a 100% fill rate at San Diego City College for online classes. She also mentioned that there is a new software package called Camtasia Relay which allows faculty to upload and caption videos. This will be extremely beneficial for faculty on our campus, so S. Pesce encourages to share this information with their departments and to be on the look out for this new software.

e. Tax - A. Schoenberg announced that their will be a protest starting today on 11th and the beginning of the 163 freeway in regards to the Millionaires tax proposal. He asked senators to share this information with their departments and for support for the protest.

V. Guest/Special Committees
a. Associated Students- No Report

b. Foundation Fundraising- M. Harvey attended the Academic Senate Meeting on behalf of the Fundraising Foundation to inform the senators about a event that they are having. The Event is called City Nights at the Mingei Museum. This event will be held at the Mingei Museum in Balboa Park, Friday March 9th from 6:30pm to 10pm. The prices are $75 per person or $125 per couple. The event will include food, drinks, live band, casino games and a tour of the museum.

VI. Old Business

a. Hiring Criteria Draft- A draft of the hiring criteria was passed out to all senators. D. Fierro mentioned that the draft will be passed on to the Hiring Criteria Ranking Committee for review.

b. Hiring Criteria Ranking- S. Fontana reminded the senators that there are three open positions on the Hiring Criteria Ranking Committee, one in Behavioral and Social Sciences, one in Information and Learning Technologies and one in the Chairs Cabinet. Those positions are looking to get filled as soon as possible, so interested parties should contact P. Haro or S. Fontana.

VII. New Business

a. DSPS support- Debora Wright-Howard attended the Academic Senate Meeting to inform the senators that DSPS is in a big budget crisis. The DSPS department has lost many of their faculty, and has experienced a large decrease in budget and predict to take a even larger cut by 5 to 6 percent. She explained that they have lost 2 counselors, 1 LD specialist, and are now down to only 2 adjuncts. The DSPS department is struggling to offer services to the San Diego City College Students. Some senators suggested that some professors could assist in proctoring students. The concern with that is that some faculty is not qualified to proctor students. E. Engstrom/ L. Chaddock motion to extend discussion on this topic. P. White attended the meeting as well to speak on behalf of this topic. He is in the process of finding funding options for DSPS. He mentioned that we did borrow one counselor from Mesa College that should help temporarily. Some senators suggest that a re-assignment of staff across the district could be beneficial to the City College Campus. P. White said that he would look into all suggestions, but to keep proctoring in mind and he will further explore proctoring guidelines.
b. Financial Aid Changes- C. Lopez provided a handout that notified senators about the financial aid changes in the 2012-2013 academic year.
c. Email Aliasing- Deferred to a later meeting.

IX Officer Reports

X. Facilities Update

a. Building Processes- D. Fierro gave the senators a facility update. P. Haro and D. Fierro met with Terry Burges. They were told that they needed an agreement with the Vice Chancellors. Terry Burges is behind us with the building Process. D. Fierro is waiting to hear back from the Vice Chancellors office, and he will report back to the Academic Senate when he finds out more details.

XI. Standing Committees

XI. Other

XII. Adjourn 3:28: E. Engstrom/ M. St George