Senate President’s Report
November 19, 2009

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS, 11/18/’09

The Academic Affairs Committee (AAC) met to discuss needed changes in the Planning Policy and Procedure Manual. The manual must be updated soon, and the plan is to approve it through the Senate and CPC before the end of the fall semester. One of the chief issues that needs to be resolved is just how we define the Educational Master Plan and the Strategic Plan. Which should drive the other? Is the EMP the guiding plan or is the SP? This is where English teachers and policy wonks have fun, but it is a serious issue.

The AAC also continued to go through the Achievement Tracking Matrix that was supplied to the Accreditation team from the 2006 Self-Study to begin to bring it up to date. The Committee is on page two seven pages.

ACADEMIC SENATE, CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES FALL PLENARY SESSION

The ASCCC met in Ontario November 12-14, offered many informative workshops and passed relevant resolutions to continue the state business. I have attached my notes from the workshops and general sessions I attended. The resolutions will be posted shortly on the ASCCC website (asccc.org). Pamela Watkins presented at one of the breakouts: “the General Education Big Top: Ethnic Studies Requirements.” Congratulations, Pam.

CORE, 11/3/’09

• The ribbon cutting ceremony for the new Child Care Center is scheduled for December 17. Save the date. Child hand prints are to be part of the fun.
• Weed-whackers seem to be throwing up stones and cracking windows in the Tech Building
• Most of the doors in NEA and SSA have been fixed
• We will be starting the new parking structure soon; we have asked that it not interfere with the end of the semester
• We were shown a “fly-by” of the new Science Building. Fun and impressive
• The new solar system is supposed to be done by the end of the year; the company is beginning to clean up
• We have to move into the new PE building before we can tear down the old one
• Designers are working on how to fix the softball field. It probably won’t be finally fixed until after the spring season
• The design for the Job Placement/Data Center is being readied for a one-bid process
• One Stop will be moving in as soon as the contract is finally signed, but not yet
• We are waiting for a response from the Department of Transportation before we can go ahead with refurbishing the electronic marquee
• Mike Bishop distributed a budget sheet for Measure J; this will be sun shined at the CPC meeting on November 23

SENATE EXECUTIVE MEETING, November 10, 2009

The Senate Executive Committee met on Nov. 10, and took the following actions:
1. Appointed June Burlingame Smith and Sally Fasteau to the Harbor College Presidential Search Committee
2. Approved reimbursement amount of $302.86 to June Burlingame Smith for expenses related to the commemorative service for Dr. Chris McCarthy, held on campus October 27, 2009.

In attendance: Glover, McMurray, Smith (J)