I. Call to Order: by Travis Gibbs at 4:05 pm

II. Roll Call:

President
Vice President
Senator-at-Large
Business & Information Technology Systems
Communications
Health, Human & Public Services
Humanities & Social Sciences
Math, Science & PE
Fire Tech/Fire Academy Program
Part-Time Faculty

Visitors:

Student Activities Coordinator
MVC Dean of Instruction
MVC Dean of Student Services
MVC Dean, Health Sciences
VP, Educational Services
VP, Business Services
President, MVC
Dean, PSET
Outcomes Assessment Specialist
Librarian
BSI/DAC
MCHS Director
ASMVC President
ASMVC Member
ICC Director

III. Approval of Agenda: M/S/C Pfiefle/Fontaine/unanimous

IV. Approval of Minutes 3/15/10: M/S/C Soto/Pfeifle/unanimous, with minor amendments

V. Assessment Committee: Regarding requests to inform administration/committees of the assessment status of our courses, George Zottos reports that faculty members are not required to report the assessment status of courses in their discipline that they do not teach. Faculty members are requested to double-check that correct SLO’s for courses in their discipline are listed on Curricunet. George Zottos is available by phone, email, and appointment for assistance regarding any issues relating to assessment.
VI. Officer and Liaison Reports

a. MVCAS President: (1) Each department should once again determine faculty priority hires, and report its findings to the department chair. (2) We will have a Faculty Speaker at this year’s commencement, selected by the senate from a list of nominees. An email soliciting nominations will be sent out to faculty shortly. All nominations should be confirmed as acceptable by the nominee before being presented to the senate, and all nominations should be accompanied by a brief justification. (3) Tutoring services will be available until the end of the semester (there was a brief cessation in tutoring services due to budgeting difficulties).

b. MVCAS Vice President: (1) 20 faculty members have still not submitted responses to the survey on committee membership. Sal Soto will have a draft document detailing collected information available at the next senate meeting.

d. College President: (1) Our planned administrative reorganization will include the creation of the position of Vice President of Student Services, overseeing three deans. (2) The district is aiming to save $10 million district wide over the 2010-11 fiscal year. 81 sections are likely to be cut from our campus next academic year, with the majority of cuts coming from summer session.

e. Part-time Faculty: A motion to create a Part-time Affairs Committee as a standing committee of the senate was passed: M/S/C Bocharova/Pfeifle/unanimous. The initial motion was amended to include the provision that the part-time faculty representative to the senate will serve as the chair of this committee ex officio.

f. Student Liaison: (1) Campus birthday celebration on March 16 was successful. (2) Women’s History Month event was successful, including an excellent presentation on the topic of women in science. (3) Over 1000 children participated in the MVC Easter egg hunt event. (4) RTA Transportation ballot measure passed in elections at Riverside City College and MVC, but failed at Norco College. The measure will be implemented at RCC and MVC.

VII. Committee Reports (none)

Motion to extend meeting 15 minutes M/S/C Soto/Pfeifle/unanimous

VIII. Old Business

a. Faculty Development Committee: A motion to include the Faculty Development Committee as a standing committee of the senate was passed: M/S/C Fontaine/Zapata/unanimous

b. APC Recommendation: A motion to accept the APC’s recommendation was passed, with the addition that the unique nature of our college as including several specialize programs be taken into consideration when considering efficiency and its relation to possible class cancellations or cuts. M/S/C Pfeifle/Honore/unanimous

IX. New Business

a. AFRCCD Changes: The AFRCCD is considering a proposal to distribute its current balance to campus-specific academic senates in proportion to membership numbers at each campus. Members may request a copies of relevant documents from Travis Gibbs, and may register a vote at http://web.me.com/rossclark/AF-RCCD_Vote/Elections.html

b. Distinguished Faculty Lecturer: Senators are requested to ask their constituents whether we would prefer one DFL per year for the entire district, or one DFL per college per year.

c. Committee Appointments and Senate nominations and approval: Tabled M/S/C Fontaine/Hausladen/unanimous

d. Extending Senate Meetings: The senate agrees to extend the second senate meeting of each month by 30 minutes: M/S/C Pfeifle/Fontaine/unanimous

X. Open Hearing

a. Student of Distinction nominations should be sent to department chairs by April 20. Nomination forms and instructions are available from Frankie Moore.

b. Faculty members are requested to fill out emailed survey relating to diversity at our campus.

c. Participation in student essay contest on diversity (with prize money) should be encouraged by all MV personnel. Ann Pfeifle may be contacted for further information.

XII. Adjournment at 5:45 pm M/S/C Soto/Honore/unanimous

Recorded by Nick Sinigaglia, MVCAS Secretary