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

II. Roll Call:

President      Travis Gibbs (present)
Vice President      Sal Soto (present)
Senator-at-Large      Nick Sinigaglia (present)
Business & Information Technology Systems  Cheryl Honore (present)
Communications  Valarie Zapata (absent)
Health, Human & Public Services  Lisa Hausladen (present)
Bob Fontaine (absent)
Humanities & Social Sciences  Eric Thompson (present)
Math, Science & PE     Ellen Lipkin (present)
Shara Marshall (absent)
Fire Tech/Fire Academy Program  Natalie Hannum (absent)
Part-Time Faculty  Jean Bocharo
Visitors:
Student Activities Coordinator  Frankie Moore (absent)
MVC Dean of Instruction  Patti Bufalino (present)
MVC Dean of Student Services  Daria Burnett (present)
MVC Dean, Health Sciences  Wolde-Ab Isaac (present)
VP, Educational Services  Lisa Conyers (absent)
VP, Business Services  Reagan Romali (absent)
President, MVC  Monte Perez (absent)
Dean, PSET  Cordell Briggs (present)
Outcomes Assessment Specialist  George Zottos (absent)
Librarian  Debbi Renfrow (absent)
BSI/DAC  Sheila Pisa (absent)
MCHS Director  Julio Gonzalez (absent)
ASMVC President  Marilynn Zaragoza (absent)
ASMVC Member  Angela De La Cruz (present)
H&SS Intern  Ryan Sanchez (present)

III. Approval of Agenda: M/S/C Lipkin/Pfeifle/unanimous, with minor amendment to a listed date

IV. Approval of Minutes 4/19/10: M/S/C Honore/Hausladen/unanimous, excepting abstention from Ann Pfeifle

V. Officer and Liaison Reports

a. MVCAS President: (1) District AS passed a motion recommending to Chancellor Gray that all aspects of the planned reorganization not necessary for the needs of the individual colleges (including their meeting accreditation standards) should be delayed pending further study and consultation with the various stakeholders. (2) Raj Bajaj reported on his studies of unfunded FTES, concluding that only 100 out of our 4500 unfunded FTES are due to faculty over-enrolling classes. (3) Applications requesting Educational Assistants are due May 26. MVCAS will make its determinations concerning these applications by June 7. Travis Gibbs may be contacted for more information. (4) MVCAS officers will work with the appropriate personnel to set up a new AFMVC fund, and work to secure our fair share of the soon-to-be-
defunct AFRCCD fund. Moreover, MVCAS will work to ensure faculty members know how to become contributing members of the new fund. M/S/C Honore/Pfeifle/unanimous

b. MVCAS Vice President: (1) Sal Soto sees the need to update the MVCAS website, making it more user friendly, as well as informative concerning senate membership and functioning. (2) Sal Soto presented his data from the faculty committee membership survey. Collation of data is ongoing, and will be posted to the MVCAS website when completed.

c. Student Liaison: (1) 9 members of the MVC student government attended the recent Student Senate of CCC conference. (2) MVC celebration of Cinco de Mayo will take place May 4 (sic!). (3) ASMVC is working to further develop and implement suggestions from the MVC Green Initiative Committee. (4) Student government elections will take place on-line May 5 and 6. (5) The SAC Awards Banquet will take place May 20 at 6 pm at the Moreno Valley Ranch Golf Club.

VI. Committee Reports (none)

VII. Old Business

a. Length of Final Examinations: Final examinations will remain 2 ½ hours in length. M/S/C Honore/Lipkin/unanimous

b. Distinguished Faculty Lecturer: MVCAS determines the position of DFL should remain a district-level position, cycling to MVC every 3 years. MVCAS would like to see more district-level support for the lecture, including its promotion. M/S/C Pfeifle/Honore/unanimous

c. Faculty interested in serving as the faculty chair of the College Assessment Committee should notify the MVCAS. The selected faculty member will receive .2 release time for this service.

Motion to extend meeting 10 minutes: M/S/C Pfeifle/Soto/unanimous

VIII. New Business

a. Distinguished Professor: Senators are requested to solicit opinions from constituents regarding the desirability of creating the rank of Distinguished Professor. Such a rank would be granted to faculty members demonstrating supererogatory performance as participants in the college community and the larger community. Travis Gibbs may be contacted for draft documents detailing suggested criteria.

b. Grading Symbols: As it will allow us to distinguish between students who fail despite attending class and students who fail while not attending classes near the end of the semester, creating the grade of “FW” (F while not attending class after the last date to withdraw) will likely put the college in a better position to recover financial aid funds from students receiving financial aid but not finishing out the semester. Senators are requested to solicit opinions from constituents concerning the creation of such a grade. Ann Pfeifle may be contacted for more information on the suggested change.

IX. Open Hearing (none)

X. Adjournment at 5:40 pm M/S/C Fontaine/Honore/unanimous

Recorded by Nick Sinigaglia, MVCAS Secretary