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The topics below represent the items that were addressed by 2008-09 CCC Faculty Council President, Keith McCoy, on the May 8, 2008, at the CCC district board meeting.

- Include in course syllabi or first-day handouts a statement regarding the emergency management plan for students (and faculty). It is recommended that the statement include action-oriented statements. For example, in the event of an emergency, you [student or faculty] should....
- Recapped some of the activities of the district faculty council during this past academic year. These include:
  - Presenters and guests: (1) VP Rahman from Truman on Student Success; (2) AVC Armster on Student Services and COMPASS; and CDL Dean Todd on CDL concerns.
  - Approved courses:
    - Chinese courses for Harold Washington and Malcolm X for students traveling abroad in the fall to China ;
    - Hip Hop course for Olive Harvey;
    - Ophthalmology program for Olive Harvey;
    - Graphic Novel course for Wright;
    - Media Communications courses for Kennedy-King; and
    - English 197 for all schools.
- Goals for the current school year include being more proactive in academic initiatives. Including presenting not only concerns but offering concrete suggestions and recommendations. These include pursuing recommendations on the following topics:
  - Reviewing the foreign language requirement. Upon speaking to my predecessor, Todd Lakin, there is a suggestion of including this as a part of the globalization initiative;
  - Increasing transparency or improving communication about the course approval process;
  - Investigating best practices for faculty evaluations and evaluations in general and linking this to the service excellence initiative;
  - Including CDL within the district faculty council approval process. CDL is not often aware of the courses that are approved or revised.
  - Providing suggestions on dealing with the cost of textbook concerns. This is a concern not only for the Chancellor but students and faculty alike.

- Show, during faculty development week in the fall, the film capturing the interviews with the Latino students who won the Hispanic Bowl Contest. It demonstrated the impact that faculty and the school has on student lives and emphasizes the importance of diversity. It demonstrates that impact that respecting another's culture has on students.
- It is recommended that the district sponsor students from each college to participate in lobby days in DC during March. It is the American Student Association of Community College (ASACC) student advocacy conference. Currently, Wright's student government association is the only one that participates from Illinois. It is a good opportunity to keep students engaged in the political process, experience lobbying on Capitol Hill, and get their concerns heard (e.g., textbook costs, etc.) before their state politicians.

Submitted by Keith McCoy