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August 6, 2009 – District 508 Board Meeting
District-Wide Faculty Council Report
Submitted by Keith McCoy,
President of the Faculty Council of Chicago City Colleges

Good morning. Faculty council looks forward to another successful academic year. We are eager to help achieve plans for faculty and students in the upcoming year. Faculty council is putting out a “call to action” for faculty to assist the colleges and district in achieving its goals. These include:

- Assisting students in meeting the new foreign language requirement beginning this fall;
- Collaborating with department chairs across the seven colleges and negotiating with publishers to provide students with savings in textbook costs and quality resources;
- Becoming more proactive in supporting student government and local college initiatives to raise monies to assist students in meeting the challenges of tuition and other college costs, particularly pre-credit students;
- Providing support for faculty regarding integration of technology into curricula, most notably the use of blackboard;
- Achieving the district’s 2011 goal of “infusing global contents and contexts into instruction and the curriculum” by supporting the inclusion of global student learning outcomes and objectives within syllabi;
- Helping faculty further realize their voice and understand their important role in shared governance by reviewing the new faculty council constitution and helping them to construct local constitutions, as needed;
- Improving the course approval process by updating the PAC form to provide more clarity and transparency; and
- Continuing our work with Academic Affairs to ensure the integrity of our academic policies and curricula.

We invite the board and district officers to our annual retreat at the Arturo Velasquez Institute on Friday, August 21. Faculty council has journeyed a long way to get to where we are currently. We are eager and committed to continue along this path and make CCC be the best district of higher learning ever.