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December 3, 2010 – District 508 Board Meeting District-Wide Faculty Council Report Submitted by Ellen Eason-Montgomery President of the Faculty Council of City Colleges of Chicago

Good Morning to Board of Trustees, Chairman Martin Cabrera Jr., Chancellor Cheryl Hyman, Officers of the District, and guests.

As 2010 comes rapidly to an end, I would like to take some time to recognize CCC's outstanding local and district faculty council members, the Officers of the District and most importantly Chancellor Hyman and Provost Angela Henderson.

Under the leadership of Chancellor Cheryl Hyman and Provost Angela Henderson the communication between Officers of the District and Faculty Council continues to blossom and flourish.

As we prepare for the winter break we are looking forward to the upcoming challenges we will face next year. We recognize that all change is accompanied by potential risks and rewards. We look forward to participating in the reinvention and trust that with our combined efforts we will ultimately enable the city colleges to serve our students better.

In our meeting yesterday with the Provost and her staff the faculty council executive committee were very pleased to see preliminary reports from new degree audit software that will steer students toward courses they still need toward their degree.



We are similarly encouraged by preliminary reports from the college success courses and are eager to see which groups of students benefit the most from this effort.

We know that implementation of initiatives like these will help our students accomplish their goals more efficiently.

Lastly, my opening remarks acknowledging the great performance of faculty and the executive team, officers of the district, our chancellor and provost were made because it is important to acknowledge the great amount of dedication and commitment all involved continue to do for the betterment of our students. On that note, I wish you all a safe and peaceful Christmas, Hanuka and Kwanzaa as we celebrate this holiday season . I look forward to working with you all in 2011.