

**February 11, 2011– District 508 Board Meeting
District-Wide Faculty Council Report
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**Good Morning to Board of Trustees, Chairman Martin Cabrera Jr. ,
Chancellor Cheryl Hyman, Officers of the District, and guests.**

**First, faculty of CCC would like to commend and thank you for the hard
work you did to keep us all safe and informed during the Blizzard of 2011.
The communication via the media and electronically was truly impressive!**

**I am pleased to report that all CCC faculty council presidents have agreed
to begin each of their faculty council meetings with discussions about the
reinvention process.**

**The Executive Faculty council engaged in yet another informative and
productive meeting with Officers of the District this week. Our report is
rather lengthy as a result.**

- **Faculty from each of the Task Forces have scheduled meeting s with
each faculty council and have begun initial discussions with three
CCC locations to date and are scheduling meetings with locations to
have their initial meetings . District Faculty Council will meet with
the Task Force Representatives for Faculty Development in March.**
- **CCC faculty are also in the process of polling faculty now to develop
plans and strategies for our Annual District Wide Faculty Meeting to
take place in August 2011.**
- **The first CCC graduation will be held at UIC on May 11, 2011. Faculty
availability issues are being reviewed and curriculum adjustments
are underway. The application deadline for students applying for
graduation has been extended to March 11, 2011. CCC students will
no longer have to pay a graduation fee. The date for faculty to
request caps and gowns (unless faculty have their own) has been**

extended to March 17th. Communications are being sent to make sure that Adjunct faculty are always welcome to attend.

- The District Office has developed an electronic degree audit plan. The electronic degree audit will assist students by clarifying and guiding degree plans. The electronic degree audit will also help students who have accumulated fifty or more credit hours to recognize academic achievement that could result in the awarding of an Associate of General Studies degree.**
- All faculty will receive an announcement from the District Office regarding the Articulation agreement between UIC and CCC. Qualifying CCC students will be dually registered with UIC beginning Fall 2012. Please stay tuned for a detailed description of the selection process that for the first time in the history of CCC will allow students to receive 15 to 32 credit hours from UIC as they pursue CCC courses. Selected students will be assigned advisors at both campuses. Additional details about this ground breaking opportunity will be sent out in an All Faculty Announcement soon!**
- The District Office will also provide more details on the Presidential Scholarships for seventy five CCC students wanting to attend IIT. Twenty nine CCC students have already received annual scholarships amounting to \$23,500 per year. The scholarships are renewable each year.**
- The District Office is working with Southern Illinois University De Paul and Lewis University to develop additional academic and career opportunities for students we will be hearing more wonderful news in the very near future. An Aviation agreement with Lewis University to train Air Traffic Controllers is already under way**

- **The District Office sent out a Student Survey for students. Seventy percent of CCC students have responded please take time to encourage your students to complete and submit this survey.**
- **Associate Vice Chancellor Dr. Phyllis Daniels -Ward has obtained a one million dollar CHA grant for work force training of 106 students in non-credit and credit courses and non-credit certifications for Basic and Advanced Certificates. Dr. Daniels- Ward is appealing to faculty interested in developing a mixed income series of workshops scheduled to begin March2, 2011. As the plans for CHA workshops evolve each of the seven CCC locations will be visited. Please contact Dr. Daniels Ward via email for more information about this exciting opportunity.**
- **Additionally under the direction of Associate Vice Chancellor Cynthia Armster and Antonio Gutierrez have conducted and analysis of College Success Seminars and are working on ways and means of redefining and measuring success based upon successes at several of our CCC campuses.**

The calendar remains filled - momentum is in place - the opportunity is for reinvention is here !

As always FC4 and Officers of the District continue to work hard to keep the lines of communication open as we create our educational reality - stay tuned!

This concludes the February 2011 District Faculty Council Report.

