Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting June 24, 2010

- All colleges are being encouraged to create Student Advising Centers. The goal is to increase graduation rates by 9 percentage points.
- Other changes in Academic Affairs are in the planning stages.

Comments:

A member commented that students are confused as to where to go for what advising. In theory, a student without a declared major should go to a centralized student advising center and once they have declared a major, they should go to a college specific student advising center. Students and faculty will want to know what benefit will come from having college advising centers.

b. VP of Administration and Finance:

- The Board of Trustees passed a 5% increase in student fees in May 2010. They may approve an additional 5% fee increase if the budget doesn't get the 5% increase that the CSU has been promised. The Governor's proposed \$310 million increase for the CSU is still out there, but no one believes there is much chance it will be approved. SJSU has planned for the 10% increase in funds. If we only get 5%, we will be short \$5 million.
- The layoff situation has improved. The VPs met with the Manager of Human Resources. Instead of 76 staff members being laid off, we are now down to 38 layoffs. The cuts have mainly been the result of retirements and reductions in base. Nine people will have their time base reduced, and 62 people are being reassigned effective July 1, 2010.
- There are currently three budgets being proposed in the legislature. There are two democrat and one republican version.
- The CSU lost \$600 million last year. Even if we get \$300 million, it would only be half of what was lost. For SJSU that equates to \$18 million.

c. President:

- Don Kassing will take over as Interim President on August 1, 2010.
- There are several issues President Whitmore believes will come up this year. There is an Assembly Bill 1414 that would create a legislative mandate that makes transfers between community colleges and the CSU more seamless. It would place restrictions on the number of general education units. The graduation initiative is tied to this.

- SJSU has so many applicants that we are required to admit this fall that we probably won't make our target enrollment. This summer's summer school has been running on IES funds.
- The new VP of Student Affairs, Jason Laker, will be here on August 15, 2010.
- Our current budget projections are without the \$305 million proposed by the Governor, but do include the 10% fee