A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Heumann at 1:30 p.m.

Present—Nicholas Akinkuoye, Caroline Bennett, Gilbert Campos, Michael Capeci, Alex Garza, Daniel Gilson, Rick Goldsberry, Suzanne Gretz, Michael Heumann, Frank Hoppe, Russell Lavery, Eric Lehtonen, Allyn Leon, Mary Lofgren, Ralph Marquez, Lorraine Mazeroll, Laura Mosier, Norma Núñez, Priscila Ortiz, Mike Palacio, Jr., Frank Rapp, Olivia Samaniego, Ed Wells, and Cathy Zazueta.

Absent—Dave Drury, Frank Miranda and David Scott Sheppard.

Excused--none.

Visitors—Tina Aguirre, Ted Caesar, Sheila Dorsey-Freeman, Gaylla Finnell, Sergio Lopez, Brian McNece, Tim Nakamura, Jill Nelipovich, James Patterson, Efrain Silva, Mary Ann Smith, Mary Jo Wainwright, and Kevin White.

B. Visitors' Comments

None.

C. Consent Agenda

Michael Heumann—Since Consent Agenda item #2, the minutes for 19 November 2014, did not go out in the emailed packet, they will not be included in this vote.


Michael Heumann—In the interests of time, I’d like to address the action items portion of the agenda before going to reports.

E. Action Items

1. Student Equity Plan—Second Reading (Leon/Capeci) Carries.

   Ted Caesar—Executive summary is now completed and included, as well as the evaluations section. Some data tables have been clarified as well.
2. Accreditation Follow-Up Report—First Reading (Núñez/Zazueta)
   Michael Heumann—We’ll have a special meeting on Wednesday 10 December 2014 for the second reading of this action item.

D. Reports—Please limit your report to 3 minutes
1. President—Thanks to David Morse for speaking, and to all who attended the Academic Senate Retreat. Thanks to the CTA and District for lunch and pie, respectively.
2. Past-President—There was no Past President’s report.
3. Treasurer—Senate Treasurer Caroline Bennett reported that the Academic Senate spent $9.28 on printing costs and $757.68 for Michael Heumann to attend the Plenary Session, leaving a balance of $4,799.00.
4. Associated Student Government (ASG) President—ASG President Priscila Ortiz discussed some upcoming events and indicated that the ASG won’t be meeting during the Winter Intersession.
5. Part-Time Representative—Michael Capeci—The redecoration of the Part-Time Faculty Lounge continues.
7. Curriculum Committee—Frank Rapp—No report.
9. New Faculty Orientation Committee—Eric Lehtonen—The committee met twice and had a guest speaker, Mary-Jo Wainwright. The committee is scheduled to meet three times during the Spring Semester and will feature speakers Victor Jaime, Nicholas Akinkuoye, and Mary-Jo Wainwright.
10. Honors Committee—Daniel Gilison giving a report for Robert Baukholt, who is teaching a class at this time. The committee adopted a lowered GPA standard for Honors classes from a GPA of 3.5 to 3.25 to conform with standards at other institutions.
   Discusses a professional development Reading Apprenticeship program to be held 5 Jan. 2015.

F. Discussion and Information Items
1. Health Center in the Library
Frank Hoppe—Two questions: 1) Specifically, when and where did the campus wide discussions concerning placing the Health Center in the Library take place? 2) What actually is the positive rationale for placing the Health Center in the Library?

Mary Ann Smith—Part of accreditation is planning. Some years back some space was added to the Library. Those plans specified that the additional area was intended for Library growth. When students look for a college they look for two things—“Can I fulfill my major?” and “What is their Library like?” I have evidence to back those claims. IVC students only have regular access to 43 computers on campus, and those are in the Library. No 900 building access, no business lab access anymore. . According to Title 5 standards and what our FCMAT peer group colleges (Monterey, Shasta, College of the Desert, and Hartnell) support, we should have at least 125 computers in the Library. Our 43 computers have to serve 7100 FTEs. We’re supposed to have 48,000 square feet. We have 21,000 square feet minus the 2,500 square feet now being taken over by the Health Center. The students are suffering. We see 1,500 students per day. The library should have five librarians. It has two and a half. We should have nine Library Technicians. We have three. You’ve all seen this at the Library: students waiting in line for access to a computer, students even in line to access a carrel to sit down and study in. It’s time to prioritize the needs of the students.

Sergio Lopez—This was talked about in Executive Council two years ago. It’s gone through the Facilities Committee, and the Finance Committee. It’s gone through the shared governance process. Last year there were 6,000 visits to that Health Center.

Eric Lehtonen—Student Health is a concern, but there’s a 20-year record of utter disregard for student academic services and for literacy. There’s a need for an actual college-standard Library on this campus that this administration has willfully ignored.

Suzanne Gretz—Both concerns are vital. More and more students are coming to me saying they can’t get access to a computer, and they can’t find materials they need for their assignments. There are very few places on campus for them to study, especially when it’s hot. Students often have to sit on the floor in the Library at such times. Yet, as we remodel, we’re making more offices, not more classrooms, and Library and learning spaces. It’s a serious problem.

Mary-Jo Wainwright—We have the Student Success Act, the implementation of Blackboard, wanting all the teachers to use Blackboard for their classes. That requires students to use computers more than ever. I support Health Services, especially mental health, but long-term, the Library has been, and continues to be at the bottom of the College’s priority list. The Library is not college-level standard at all.
Eric Lehtonen—No discussion about placing the Health Center in the Library space has occurred in the Academic Senate.

Daniel Gilison—No such discussion took place in College Council either.

Cathy Zazueta—No one in the Library heard about it. I question whether it really went through shared governance.

Russell Lavery—I’m surprised to hear that student access to computers is going down. IT has been growing and growing. How can student access to computers be less and less?

2. Emergency Procedures—Tim Nakamura—If there’s an emergency, like a break-in, contact Campus Safety. On any campus phone, dial 1111, or contact the Campus Safety phone number. If the staffer wishes to make a report to law enforcement, we’ll contact the Sheriff’s Office.

Nicholas Akinkuoye—We should ensure that this information is posted.

Mary Lofgren—Some phones are not even working.

Sergio Lopez—We’ll be installing E-panic buttons around campus.

3. Classrooms in the 3100 and 3200 Buildings

Frank Rapp—It’s difficult to hear students in the classrooms, and there’s a lot of noise bleeding in from adjoining classrooms. The acoustics need improvement.

Suzanne Gretz—The sound is a big problem. Concrete floor, warehouse ceiling. I was there to evaluate a teacher and I had real difficulty hearing the teacher, even seated, as I was, in the front row. Not an effective learning environment.

Ed Wells—I put in a service ticket for this problem and was told the ticket would be closed because there was no money to address the issue.

Efrain Silva—I’ll try to contact the architects about mitigations for these issues.

4. AP 3260—Enrollment Management Plan—Nicholas Akinkuoye—This will help us to more effectively plan, and your input is welcomed.

Tina Aguirre—We’re currently planning for 2015-2016.

Ralph Marquez—That’s too soon, we need to know far enough in advance for students to be able to plan their academic programs through to completion.
5. Learning Services Committee Self-Evaluation—Michael Heumann—We’ll discuss this further. The formation of new committees may be called for.

G. “For the Good of the Order”

Royce Freeman – Freshman offensive player of the year.

H. Adjournment

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the IVC Academic Senate shall take place on Wednesday, 10 Dec. 2014 at 1:30 p.m. in the IVC Board Room.