

# Academic Senate Leadership Report

## 9/24/15

### ACCESS Evening Hours

- Campuses expressed concern last year that ACCESS-assisted testing was not available in the evening hours.
- Academic Dean Mary Ann Sheble was consulted. She met with the ACCESS coordinators last week and determined the following procedures:
  - ACCESS hours of operation: 8:30am-5:00pm, M-F
  - After-hours testing: Unless a student needs specific assistive technology or the presence of an accommodation provider for testing that would prohibit the use of the ASCs, the ACCESS Offices work with the ASCs to arrange for after-hours testing. ASC evening and Saturday hours are posted on the ASC website.
  - Testing with assistive technology and accommodation providers: Arrangements are made with the student and instructor for testing during regular business hours.
  - After-hours equipment check-out: Instructors should contact the ACCESS Offices to make arrangements to pick-up equipment at the campus ASC or Library.
- Please address further comments or suggestions to Dean Sheble.
- The campuses could also take up this issue again in October.

### Tuition Policy

- The Board of Trustees has begun to discuss its philosophy behind setting tuition and fees.
  - September 10 Special Meeting: minutes available on Board Infomart site
  - September 15 Regular Meeting: motion to accept the first reading of tuition policy values failed
- Thus far the conversation has been entirely based on financial considerations. Should the Senate wish to provide insight on tuition policy from an academic and student success perspective, now would be the time for us to have these conversations.
- If campuses take this issue up in October, we could have something to present to the Board at its next scheduled regular meeting in November.

### Enrollment Decline

- Campuses discussed the enrollment decline documents provided by the administration and came up with requests for additional information:

- Recruitment efforts: to be addressed in Vice Chancellor Jackie Shadko's presentation
- Mathematical correlation between rising unemployment and rising enrollment: to be provided by Vice Chancellor Cathey Maze
- Impact on enrollment of the application deadline: to be provided by Vice Chancellor Maze
- Business plan to increase enrollment through workforce development: to be provided by Vice Chancellor Maze
- The Senate can take up this issue again once the additional information has been provided.