ACADEMIC SENATE AGENDA
October 7th, 2009
Center for Excellence
3:00-4:45 p.m.

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Agenda:

III. 9/30/2009 Senate Meeting Outcomes Report – Kenneth Bearden

IV. Approval of Minutes:

V. Visitors’ Comments

VI. Special Presentation: H1N1 Response Strategies – Nip Boyes and Renee Carini (4:00 p.m.)

VII. Reports:
A. Hearts and Flowers – Debbie Reynolds
B. Legislative Report – Stacey Burks
C. Classified Senate Report – Peter Dahl
D. Associated Students’ Report – Janell Snead
E. Vice President’s & Curriculum Report – Kenneth Bearden
   1. Deadlines for student payments
F. President’s Report – Jo Anne Cripe

VIII. Unfinished Business:
A. Academic Freedom Statement
B. Goals for 2009-10

IX. New Business:
A. VESL Faculty – Teresa Ward
B. H1N1 Faculty Response proposal
C. Contractual Responsibilities
D. Distance Learning Management System – Constituent feedback needed (scheduled for 9/21/09)
E. Facebook and YouTube – Constituent feedback needed (scheduled for 9/21/09)

X. Other:

XI. Future Agenda Items:

XII. Adjournment

According to California State Educational Code, an Academic Senate is an organization whose primary function is to make recommendations with respect to academic and professional matters. “Academic and Professional matters” refers to the following policy development matters:

1. Curriculum, including establishing prerequisites.
2. Degree and certificate requirements.
3. Grading policies.
4. Educational program development.
5. Standards or policies regarding student preparation and success.
6. College governance structures, as related to faculty roles.
7. Faculty roles and involvement in accreditation processes.
8. Policies for faculty professional development activities.
9. Processes for program review.
10. Processes for institutional planning and budget development.
11. Other academic and professional matters as mutually agreed upon.