Budget Reduction Proposals
Over the last two weeks SSPBT has listened to reductions (draft) proposals plans from the following groups:

11/02/11
Cindy Castillo (Financial Aid) and Michele Le-Bleu Burns (Student Development and EOPS Division). Both parties provided information about their reduction strategies and the affects those reductions will have on each of their divisions and our students.

11/09/11
The group listened to budget reduction proposals (drafts) from Angela Caballero De Cordero (Counseling Division, ISP, Puente, Student Services and Retention and Transfer Center/Career Services/Articulation and Transfer Services) with contributions from Marilyn Cheung, David Coleman, and Renee Augenstein. Other presenters were Rob Mieso (Outreach) and Stacy Cook (Student Services Office)

11/16/11
Angela Caballero De Cordero presented a revised draft of her division’s reduction proposals. (Counseling Division, ISP, Puente, Student Services and Retention and Transfer Center/Career Services/Articulation and Transfer Services)

The SSPBT programs have done their job by presenting proposals to reach their estimated target goals.

Student Success Task Force (SSTF) Discussion/Recommendations

11/09/11
Amy Leonard, Faculty Senate Representative, provided an update on the Student Success Task Force. She reported on how the recommendations being brought forth at the State level can affect Student Services. Recommendations topics include:

• Categorical Program Consolidation.
• Career Development and College Preparation Non-Credit Courses.
• Requiring Students to Pay Full Cost for Courses Not in Education Plans.
• Comprehensive Strategy for Addressing Basic Skills Education.
• Alternative Funding Model for Basic Skills.

Here's the link to the report:
http://californiacommunitycolleges.cccco.edu/PolicyInAction/StudentSuccessTaskForce.aspx OR you can Google Student Success Task Force.

Here's the blog link that displays public comments http://studentsuccess.ideascale.com/
Leonard suggested members of all groups (ACE, FA, SSPBT, etc…) visit the Student Success Task Force web site and forward suggestions and concerns to the group.

11/16/11
Rich Hansen, FA President, provided an update of information about the SSTF and fielded questions from the group.

New SSTF Developments:
- Categorical Program Consolidation is now off the table.
- The board added a second student representative (previously there was just one)
- At the recent meeting the CALWORKS students spoke out and De Anza students were very vocal and had a large presence at this meeting.

SSPBT discussion on this topic included the need for more basic skills offerings and the need to include K-12 in the conversation of student preparedness. Another concern voiced was the possible implementation of changes that cannot be supported financially or without necessary personnel.

The next Student Task Force meeting is Dec 7 in Sacramento. Hansen asked the group to send their questions and/or concerns to him and he will present them at the SSTF meeting in Sacramento.

Dec 1 is the next Board of Governors meeting. The will be another SSTF meeting in January and another Board of Governors meeting early March.

Hansen’s opinion what that it would be more powerful if a statement or declaration was made by a district or a chancellor to the Board of Governors which states the concerns the colleges have regarding the SSTF’s recommendations and their affect on our colleges and our students.

**Measure C Proposals**

11/2/11
Each Student Services Division was asked to submit a request to SSPBT of items they requesting to be purchased with Measure C funds. Each list will be reviewed by SSPBT and forwarded to College Council for approval. Due to time constraints, the group was only able to review the list from DSP&S.

11/09/11
Measure C not on agenda

11/16/11
Measure C proposals were brought forth from Admissions & Records, Counseling Division, ISP, Puente, Student Services and Retention and Transfer Center/Career Services/Articulation and Transfer Services, Disability Support Programs and Services (DSP&S) (Revised), Student Development and EOPS.

**Discuss Program Discontinuance & Viability**

11/09/11
Colleen Lee Wheat provided an updated presentation of the IPBT’s flow chart for program discontinuance and asked for feedback from the SSPBT group. The group provided their input and it was agreed we would need further discussion on how the chart can be changed to fit the SSPBT’s needs.