I. The College Council minutes of November 8, 2007 were approved by consensus

II. Budget Updates
College Council discussed the key provisions of the Governor's proposed 2008-2009 budget released on January 10.

- Community college budgets will be augmented by 4.53% for 2007-2008 COLA, however the document also includes a $550M reduction in 2008-2009 budget year.

- $1 billion reduction in higher education, with 50% allocated to community colleges, and 50% to CSUs and UCs.

- 2% reductions across the state, including Cal grants

- Advice to pay attention now and in May - hinting at suspension of Proposition 98.

- FHDA budget can weather most of this with no mid-year cuts; the district has $600M in reserve from one time monies.

- 2 different budgeting scenarios: maintain status quo and/or prepare alternatives or budget contingency plans

- J. Hawk to attend state budget meetings 1/14 & 1/15 and will have more information

Enrollment Information

- Enrollment is up +2.6% headcount and 4.2% in WSCH. Projection is up for late adds on classes and weekend classes.

- We need to maintain 2% growth. Retention efforts from last quarter, or quarter to quarter comparisons is up 3%. Continuing students compared to last year, summer bridge and first year programs is up but new student comparisons are flat.

- Question of department comparisons? Course retention comparisons by divisions are contained in program reviews

- Enrollment, retention and multiple interventions are making a difference.
- R. Hansen questioned athletes’ retention from Fall to Winter Quarter; a 15% reduction. Some athletes are out-of-state students and they cannot waive fees. PELL grants are only $4300 for 9 months.

- A LaManque reported that retention rates for degree or transfer students is 77% with full-time student retention being higher than part-time students.

- Kudos to Plant Services for getting the campus ready for winter quarter despite heavy rains and winds.

- C. Castillo reported on Early Alert Systems efforts and the Pinto book voucher program for PUENTE students.

**III. Measure C – Mediated Learning Center**

J. Hawk presented information regarding the Mediated Learning Center, the last building under Measure C to be built near the California History Center. She presented information on the MLC in relation to open space and in relation to the Learning Center, Learning Center West and Seminar buildings. The MLC will be a 2-story building with a possible atrium; 10-14 40-seat classrooms and have underground parking. The building will be rated LEED platinum. Printing Services will relocate to the Baldwin Winery (old bookstore location).

J. Hawk presented information regarding the East/West and North/South orientations. The East/West orientation will open up to a “quad.” The Facilities Committee has approved the East – West orientation; College Council approved this similar orientation.

**IV. Governance**

W. Chenoweth distributed 2 handouts, (1) Developing a Shared Governance Flowchart using Foothill College Roundtable Guidelines for resource allocation issues and (2) the Shared Governance OMNI website which includes different participatory governance groups, membership, charges and meeting schedules. A. Kramer distributed “Recommendations for Improvement of College Shared Governance”, a document including 9 recommendations adapted from CCSF shared governance. It includes reasonable goals that could be adopted into guidelines and/or policies.

J. Hawk proposed reviewing a shared governance group at each future CC meeting, or series of meetings. Materials would be distributed prior to meetings to help clarify, identify groups, review charters and discuss issues or inconsistencies. She volunteered the Campus Budget Team for the first review.

**V. Burning Issues**

- R. Griffin announced Mary Alice Bonilla as the Student Learning Outcomes Coordinator.
- Teaching & Learning Conference on February 22, 2008, a workshop with different campuses including Cabrillo and West Valley.
- Anu Khanna reported the following major development in curriculum matters: The California Board of Governors approved new Title V guidelines, which included changes to certificate and degree options in the community colleges, in August 2007. Based on these guidelines, De Anza's Curriculum Committee and Academic Senate have approved (on 11/19/2007) the following changes to the college's certificate options (effective for the 2008-2009 college catalog):

The current Certificate of Proficiency (27+ units) designation will be renamed to Certificate of Achievement-Advanced. Those currently in existence are already State-Approved and will automatically be renamed by the curriculum office. For those certificates being revised, only substantially revised certificates will go to the State for re-approval.

The current Certificate of Achievement (12-26 units) designation will be renamed as follows:

a) Those certificates consisting of 18-26 quarter units will remain as Certificate of Achievement (pending State approval). Currently, these certificates ARE NOT State-Approved and must be in order to be noted on a student’s transcript. Divisions/departments will need to complete the appropriate forms to submit these to the State as soon as possible in order for the certificate to be listed as such in the 2008-2009 catalog. The curriculum office will help guide divisions/departments through this process.

b) Current Certificates of Achievement consisting of LESS THAN 18 quarter units, will be renamed, Skills Certificates. These certificates will not be reviewed by, nor approved by, the State. As such, these certificates MAY NOT be noted on transcripts and departments/divisions will have to devise their own methods for awarding and tracking such certificates.

The current Certificate of Completion designation will also be renamed Skills Certificate. These also are not reviewed, nor approved, by the state. As such, these certificates MAY NOT be noted on transcripts and departments/divisions will have to devise their own methods for awarding and tracking such certificates.

- M. Winters distributed 2 invitations, the annual commemorative Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. event and a Save The Date for May 1-2, 2008 Equity = Excellence; California Community Colleges at the Vanguard of Change, a statewide conference for community college educators at the Santa Clara Hyatt Regency Hotel.

- LaVoz printed an article about the 2 lawsuits on behalf of Mr. Katz. He will not proceed to the next phase and has not requested a review or appeal to the California Supreme Court. We should be free to spend funds beginning end March.

- R. Hansen announced Proposition 92 and outreach efforts for the phone banking campaign. Is there interest on behalf of DASB?