FARSCCD
1 Saudi Arabia Update:
   A To ensure fair labor conditions FARSCCD investigated the request to have two faculty members create curriculum.
   B Upon investigation, it was determined that the RSCCD Foundation Board was in violation of the Brown Act.
   C FARSCCD has filed suit for violations of the Brown Act.
2 Contract Negotiations
   A 1.02% COLA from State and .53% to adjust for 9th for 1.55% counter was 1%
   B FARSCCD offered to take down the 10% escalation clause to 8% with the addition of a 17 Step the district said no and take down escalation to 5%.
   C Lab to lab, 1 to 1, is tentatively agreed to for the sciences and nursing classes.
   D FARSCCD elections will soon take place.

Resource Request Process
1 Resource requests are initiated by a department.
2 Requests then go to chairs for ranking, then to joint chairs for ranking.
3 One time only requests seemed to be granted this year.
4 The issue seems to be the hiring of personnel; the process needs to be improved upon.
   A Some believe that there is inequity in working conditions as they are understaffed.
   B Direct impact on the classroom should perhaps be given priority.
   C Personnel comes from the general funds and there has been no addition to general fund expenditures.
   D Classified employees must also be consulted for personnel requests.
   E It was suggested that these concerns be brought forth to PIE.

ACCJC Update
1 A task force from the Chancellor's Office has been created to address rectifying issues with the ACCJC.
2 Proposals include options from replacement to nothing.
3 If a new body was selected what would happen with current accreditations?
4 A plan is being proposed to be in place for transition by July 1, 2016.
5 This presupposes that another body would want to take on the responsibility.
6 The ACCJC is a private company and outside of public control.

Virtual Office Hours
1 Faculty are interested in replacing one of the five required office hours with a virtual office hour.
2 Faculty said this may allow for more equitable access.
3 Faculty could use CCCOnfer or BusnisSkype.

Instructional Calendars
1 Planning for instructional calendars is made less than one year in advance.
2 Faculty requested that the planning be more transparent and plan for multiple years.
3 Faculty requested that the semester offerings be looked upon, being more innovative.
4 Competition with other colleges demands this re-examination.

5   It was suggested that FLEX and the end of intersession could overlap.

Preferred Name
1   There is now a new column on faculty rosters: "Preferred Name"
2   Currently there will be nothing in this column and faculty must manually input the data.
3   In order for a student to make this official, they must submit a form with Admissions and Records.
4   Preferred names will not be granted capriciously.
5   Students that have a preferred name that want this name to appear on BlackBoard will need to be referred to Scott James.