## Counselor Meeting April 4, 2011

Meeting convened at 1:30 p.m.

In attendance: McLean, Scurry, Ilarde, Allen, Decoursey, Khoo, Paniagua (intern)

Summer and fall classes are now accessible on Passport. Counselors will remind students to be prepared to enroll at their earliest opportunity as we expect classes to fill quickly. Priority enrollment is April 11 and 12. Continuing students (who are not part of EOPS/DSPS) will begin enrolling April 13.

McLean raised the issue that Student Services (particularly Counseling and A&R) are severely short staffed since work study students were forced to stop working on 3/25/11. It was suggested that we discuss this issue with Dr. Gravenberg and request that he speak to Vice Chancellor Ng about this. In the coming weeks we expect to be even busier as assessments have started and enrollment will be starting in approximately one week.

Ilarde reported that she is holding Transfer training on 4/7/11 from 3:00 to 4:00. She has blocked the SARS schedules for the part timers. All are welcome. It will probably be held in R112.

Faculty Senate elections are ongoing. Voting ends on April 6 at 5:00 p.m.

Paniagua reported that the Latino conference went very well. They estimate that 170 students attended.

Allen announced that African American 'graduation' will be held on Saturday, May 21. Details to follow.

Ilarde and others raised continued concern about Merritt's Social and Behavioral Sciences degree as well as the certificates in Humanities and Liberal Arts. The question is whether or not we can revise these degrees and certificates to make them more user-friendly.

Meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.