

## College Council: Identifying Our 2013-14 Accomplishments

On September 5, 2014, College Council participated in “A Quick Review of College Council, 2013-14.” The review included three parts: a written response, a ten-question survey, and discussion of the written response.

1. The written response asked members to capture in complete sentences:
  - a. The most important accomplishment of College Council last year (yes, you can have more than one).
  - b. Your strongest/clearest/sharpest memory about a discussion or an activity at CC last year.
2. The survey asked ten questions based on the 2013-14 College Council Work Plan (see table of responses below).
3. The discussion of the written responses went around the room with each person responding to the two questions.

The around-the-room sharing most often focused on one of the two questions or a blurring of the two. The responses are grouped by subject:

### **Reorganization (5)**

#### **College Council supported work**

- Moving the work
- Professional development of members
- Facilities Master Plan
- Institutional Strategy Map
- Baccalaureate
- Institutional Scorecard
- Strategic focus/core values
- Budget discussions

#### **District and College**

- District Consultation Council communication and feedback
- District reserves
- District strategic plan, mission, vision (2)
- Wrestled with Climate Survey

#### **Communication and discussion**

- More communication/collaboration
- Senate and College Council collaboration in preparation for District Consultation Council (DCC)
- Support of Senate resolutions regarding district budget
- Frank discussion of college/district issues
- Environment that was open, analytical, and observant
- Impressed with the community/breadth of representation
- Meaningful discussions

## A Quick Review of College Council, 2013-14

N = 16

Respond to the following statements about the work of College Council in 2013-14:	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree
1. College Council followed a focused and dynamic agenda.				10	6
2. College Council created a manageable work plan and timeline for the year.		1	1	11	3
3. College Council invested time in the professional development of its members.			4	9	3
4. College Council allowed time for reflection and discussion.		2	3	8	3
5. College Council tracked the progress and evaluated the work of the college making recommendations for increased efficiency and reduced duplication where appropriate.			4	7	5
6. College Council shared successes with the college community.		1	2	7	6
7. College Council meetings included strategic focus sessions with other campus groups and committees.			2	10	4
8. College Council focused on the use of data and budget (what do the numbers mean and what are our options).				7	9
9. College Council focused on communication (engagement, responsibility, and civility).				9	7
10. College Council operated effectively in 2013-14.			1	9	6

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