

Faculty Senate, February 9, 2015

Administrative Liaison Report

Civil Rights Compliance Audit

The facilities were reviewed the week of Jan 19<sup>th</sup>, the rest of the team will be here the week of Feb. 9

SACS 5-year review. We will begin writing the report this summer, it is due September 2016.

ETC deadline Feb 13, 5 pm

Legislative update – proposed bills

Carry bill may extend to tech centers

Governor's budget has been released. He has a provision for performance base funding that currently ranks us 19<sup>th</sup>. The variables are job placement, cost per degree, graduation rate, retention, Pell graduation rate, entry level wages and time to degree. While we hope this will be an addition to the base, the governor's calls for \$60 million in performance funding, \$30 million from the base and \$30 million new money. We'll see what the legislature does.

Textbook affordability: This has many implications, we'll need to have the list of texts 14 days prior to registration rather than 30 prior to the beginning of classes. Texts should be kept for at least 3 years. Consult with our school district to keep the costs down for dual enrolled students. We'll need to develop a textbook affordability policy and what measures we are instituting to lower costs.