E. President, Mary Lou Locke reported that

1. she sent a letter to chairs and senators asking for possible nominations for the League of Innovation award. Locke again reminded the senate what this award is about and explained the process. To date there have been no entries and since the deadline is March 17th, she urged all to think strongly about this.

2. a letter went out from President Carroll and Senate President regarding commencement. Locke encouraged every senator to attend - and bring along two other faculty - as it is a very rewarding experience in many ways. The ceremony is now held at the Civic Center, is well organized, and very pleasant. Locke referred to the order forms that were sent out, which may be confusing. There will be a new form coming shortly.

3. Policy 5300 is still going through the approval process. Locke brought this before the senate last spring and at that point there was agreement. It has since been worked on a great deal. Curriculum Instructional Council (CIC) is looking at the newest version. Nothing substantial has changed; there are several principles that Mesa is still pushing for, namely that (a) discipline faculty across the district will need to approve the curriculum before it is brought to the local curriculum committees; (b) process be timely; (c) only the origination college curriculum committee will have the right to review for approval courses that are only offered at that college. If agreement cannot be achieved at discipline committee or curriculum committee level, you may appeal to CIC.

Once there is a final draft, it will be brought back to the Senate for reviewing and enforcement.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Resolution on Full-Time Tenure Track Positions (97.3.1)
President Locke asked for a suspension of rules in order to vote today. Locke explained the history of this resolution and that the other colleges are also suspending rules in their senates so that it can be brought forward to the Board by all three college senates.

Be it therefore resolved that the Board of Trustees of the San Diego Community College District be requested to adhere to the spirit of AB1725 by passing a resolution which would guarantee an increase in the number of full-time tenure-track faculty positions such that the ratio of all

tenured/tenure-track full-time equivalent faculty to all adjunct full-time equivalent faculty equals 75%:25% by the fall semester, 2002. Said resolution shall ensure that a minimum of 20% of the positions required to reach the 75/25 ratio be added each fiscal year, beginning with the 1997-98 fiscal. Further, said resolution shall not be funded by decreases in FTEF allocations.

Move to vote on the resolution

M/S   Heck/Strona

Motion to suspend the rules passed with 1 no vote.

M/S   Fremland/McKenzie

There was a long discussion about the possibility that the District would support new positions by cutting down on total FTEF; the possibility of modifying the resolution; how the Board may interpret the approval of the resolution.

After extended discussions about possible actions by the Board sometime down the line through misinterpretation and juggling of the language, it was agreed that Mary Lou Locke would bring the amendment to the resolution (shaded area) to the attention of the Board when making her presentation.

It was stressed that there is always the possibility of coming back in the future with another resolution to put more strength to this resolution.

Val Ontell moved the question.

The resolution was reread with the amendment.

The motion to accept passed unanimously.

Locke will advise the senate when this will come back to the Board so that anyone who wishes can attend the meeting.

Senator Ickstadt requested that President Locke bring to the Guild the senates' concerns expressed here.

OTHER:

Senator Ickstadt referred to and expressed concern about the change in the flex day schedule eliminating department meetings as flex day credits. There was a discussion to the effect that department meetings are part of a normal faculty responsibility and should not be regarded as flex day