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Dear Colleagues,

It's hard to believe that almost a month has passed since I stepped into this position. I apologize for not sending this update out earlier, but in my tours around campus, I have had the opportunity to talk to many of you individually and I want to thank you for your support and hard work.

This Update is the first of what will be a monthly publication and I will be circulating it during the week of the Board meeting. There also may be special editions as situations warrant.

Here are some of the issues and changes we have been dealing with since I assumed the position of Interim Superintendent/President.

Redistricting

We are launching the first redistricting of IVC's Board areas since the Imperial Community College District was formed more than 50 years ago. As you may be aware, our trustee representation areas have been the district lines of our county's seven high school or unified school districts. Each trustee must live in the school district, but runs "at large" on a countywide ballot.

With the passage in 2003 of the California Voting Rights Act, this method of representation has become obsolete. Additionally, there is a large disparity between populations in our seven districts which could be considered counter to "One Person One Vote provisions" of the Federal Voting Rights Act.

The bottom line: we will be holding community meetings in late August and early September as we redraw district boundaries and conform them to the 2010 Census as well as appropriate election laws.

Interim Vice President Student Services

With my move into the President's office, I have appointed Jan Magno as the Interim Vice President for Student Services. This will be a net savings to the district because Jan is retaining her responsibilities as Dean of Enrollment Services.

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