I. CALL TO ORDER 5:30 p.m.
The meeting was called to order by Jonathan Brusco at 5:30 p.m.

1. Roll Call
   Committee Members: Jonathan Brusco, Tom Breen, Mark Dover
   Dr. Steven M. Kinsella, Superintendent/President
   Dr. Kathleen Rose, Executive Vice President, Instructional Services
   Terry Newman, Interim Senior Director of Administrative Services
   Angie Oropeza, Recording

   Others in attendance: Domingo Payne, Dr. Debbie Flores, Marilyn Ayala, Fred Tovar

2. Approval of Minutes – August 13, 2013
   MSC (M.Dover/T.Breen) 3 ayes, 0 nays to approve

3. Comments from the Public
   None

II. DISCUSSION ITEMS
1. Organizational Matters Related to October Joint Districts Meetings
   Jonathan Brusco reported that a letter was sent out to local district trustees with the projected goals of the committee and asking for representation from each district on the committee. After discussion, it was agreed to send a follow-up letter and schedule a joint meeting on a date convenient for most in late October, later in the evening.

2. Ways of Approaching High Remediation Rates and College Preparedness
   Jonathan Brusco stated that high remediation rates are a major issue we would like to focus on. If that can be reduced, students would get through school sooner and it would open up sections for other courses. It will also benefit local districts by preparing students for greater success. Dr. Debbie Flores, Fred Tovar, Marilyn Ayala, and Domingo Payne spoke in favor of working with the subcommittee to increase students’ preparation for college, improving performance on entrance exams, increasing the transfer rate, working with at-risk students, etc.

   In response to Jonathan Brusco, Dr. Debbie Flores stated that students interested in career vocational education need all the skills in order to succeed or to be prepared in case they decide to transfer or change careers. They work with K-9 in order to prepare students from their middle-school feeder schools, and have had a lot of success.

   Marilyn Ayala reviewed the progress of Common Core in the Gilroy district.

III. CLOSING ITEMS
1. Adjournment
   MSC (M.Dover/T.Breen) 3 ayes, 0 nays to adjourn at 6:00 p.m.