I. The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. GC Members Present: Alicia Maldonado, Summers Kalishman, and Renee Ornelas; All Others Present: Julie Radoslovich, Carmen Rodriguez, Stewart Paley, Annette Sanchez, and Jen Gable.

II. September minutes were reviewed and approved.

Motion by Summers to approve; second by Renee; passed unanimously.

III. Public Forum
   o Presentation and Update on Literacy Program and Collaboratory (COL) from Brown University and its application at SVA by Stewart Paley
     ▪ August 2012—SVA team attended a 4 day meeting to learn literacy strategies in content areas and apply in reading, writing, speaking. Mr. Paley demonstrated an application using the “Anticipation Guide” with those at the GC meeting that is done individually and then applied to the a character in the text the students are reading.
     ▪ The SVA COL team works together every week 2-3 hours. Next summer, a second team of teachers will be trained. The focus of this work is on second language learners.
   o Presentation and Update on Social Studies by Annette Sanchez, chair of department.
     ▪ Ms. Sanchez has been at SVA for 5 years. She focused on use of National Common Core to be rolled out in 2013 and SVAs desire to be aligned with them with social studies with this common core. Social studies is looking at the overlap with humanities and English. Common core is complex and informational; social studies and its overlapping disciplines use primary sources and rich text; they are figuring out how science and math can be tucked in too.
     ▪ Ms. Sanchez provided a guide to 9th-115h grade history skills and 12th grade government/economics skills that incorporated objectives using the Marzano “simple/target/complex” objective descriptors designed to provide cohesive vertical alignment in grade levels.

IV. Financial Reports and Business
   - Audit & Finance Committee Meeting: There was no A &F Committee report at this meeting.

   - Presentation of August 2012 Financial Statements: Carmen Rodriguez presented the following reports
- Budget Adjustment Requests
- There were four BARS presented to the GC by Carmen Rodriguez
  Operational BAR, Fund Code 110000—adjustment total $92,141
  Private Dir Grants (Categorical) Fund Code 29102—adjustment total $2,500
  Pupil Transportation, Fund Code 13000—adjustment total $1,413
  Food Services, Fund Code 21000—adjustment total $1,912

  The four BARS were approved unanimously. Renee Orenelas moving to approve and
  Summers Kalishman seconding the motion.

V. Reports
   Principal Report
       1. – See attached –

VI. Upcoming Events
   • GC Meeting November 13, 2012 at 5:15 pm

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM