

MINUTES

Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SAN MARCOS
Wednesday, November 20, 2013
12 – 2 p.m. ~ Kellogg 5207

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| Voters Present | Vivienne Bennett, Chair Chet Kumar, APC Marshall Whittlesey, GEC Linda Shaw, PAC Yvonne Meulemans, Library | Laurie Stowell, Vice chair Staci Beavers, BLP Ed Price, LATAAC Jay Robertson-Howell, SAC David Barsky, ASCSU | Carmen Nava, FAC Richelle Swan, NEAC Matthew Escobar, UCC Glen Brodowsky, ASCSU |
| Not represented | CFA | | |
| Staff | Marcia Woolf | | |

I. Approval of agenda

Motion #1 M/S/P*
To approve the agenda as presented.

II. Approval of minutes of 11/13/2013 meeting

Motion #2 M/S/P*
To approve the minutes as presented.

III. Chair's report, Vivienne Bennett: • A referral was printed on the agenda. • Bennett met recently with Cipriano Vargas and Matt Walsh of ASI to discuss student participation on Senate committees. EC members were asked earlier to provide Bennett with feedback on this topic. Based on this feedback, Bennett, Vargas, and Walsh discussed student participation committee by committee. For UCC, Walsh and Vargas decided that to consider whether or not ASI sees value to having a student representative attend UCC meetings. For LATAAC, Walsh and Vargas brought to Bennett's attention that the Senate Constitution does not specify whether the student is a voting member. Bennett referred to LATAAC and NEAC to work together to correct the Constitution as needed. The feedback from APC stated that the student member has proved very valuable. Indeed, the committee would consider adding additional student seats; Bennett asked the APC chair to have that conversation in committee. For BLP, ASI may consider assigning this seat to their VP of Finance. GEC reported that their student representative has not attended meetings. Vargas will contact the student, have her attend, then seek her feedback re the student's role on GEC. Finally, Bennett recommended that committee chairs actively seek input from their student representatives by asking, "What do the students think about this?" since not all student members feel comfortable speaking up unbidden. • Members of EC are scheduled to meet with Halualani & Associates regarding a diversity-in-the-curriculum mapping project on December 17th from 1-2 pm. The location has not yet been determined.

IV. Provost's report, Graham Oberem • An announcement concerning appointment of a vice provost is forthcoming within the next couple of weeks. • The search for a library dean will get underway shortly. The announcement will go to *The Chronicle* in early December. The search committee is being formed now. • Members of CEHHS have been surveyed about their dean position and next steps are being determined. An announcement about a possible search should come in early December. • In response to comments made during the recent visit by WASC liaison Chris Oberg, we will be moving to a more distributed effort, a team approach, in our assessment work though Hamill will remain very involved due to her experience and knowledge. Normally, a campus administrator would serve as the Assessment Liaison Officer (ALO). This role could fall to the new vice provost, depending upon that individual's skillset and ability to come up to speed in time. Eisenbach, Hamill, and Oberem have been discussing possible WASC team members, and Eisenbach has been reaching out to determine

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Legend: M = Moved S = Seconded D = Defeated P = Passed L = Lost W = Withdrawn

availability. It is important that we position ourselves in the strongest possible manner. Software, though expensive, may be considered to assist in this effort. • Oberem wished Happy Thanksgiving to all.

V. Discussion items

A. ROTC program EC members discussed how to proceed, given the concerns which were raised in the November Senate meeting. Is there a need for some type of substantial conversation with faculty across the campus before the second reading? Comments included: (1) per the Solomon Amendment, we may not prevent ROTC from coming to CSUSM, though we may be able to discuss the nature of the program offered; (2) we had a study group and a lively discussion in 2008, so there is no need to start all over again though the 2008 discussion was primarily concerned with the military's "don't ask, don't tell" policy; (3) there will be many opportunities for discussion should the Army propose expanding the program; (4) Barsky has been working with a representative of the Army since fall of 2012, and a draft proposal concerning ROTC was presented to AALC last January; (5) a full program may be years away, if it comes at all, and in the meantime it would be a valuable service to provide these courses to our students; and (6) it is important to consider the public perception of our actions. EC members discussed whether a Senate discussion about ROTC was in order, prior to the vote on the four MILS courses. It was agreed that an EC resolution concerning ROTC in general should be discussed in Senate prior to the MILS vote. Bennett will work with Beavers and Shaw on a draft resolution for EC's consideration.

B. ANTH 360, 465 Bennett noted that these courses are appearing on the regular agenda rather than the Consent Calendar due to opposition. An EC member argued that submitting the courses to a Senate vote ignores a structural problem within CHABSS and does nothing to prevent future conflict, and that the issue should be sent back to the college for resolution, possibly mediation. It was noted that the opposition signature on the C form, which is meant to be informational, can be perceived as a veto. Bennett has an item on the EC agenda to discuss how to make the meaning of an opposition signature more clear; this may result in asking UCC to modify the curricular forms to include an explanation of the opposition signature.

Motion #3 M/S/P (11 in favor, 2 opposed)
To forward this item to the Senate in December with a request to suspend the rules.

C. BLP/UCC MS in Kinesiology Concern was expressed about the workload which will accrue to the Kinesiology faculty as a result of this new Master's: the existing faculty will be developing and teaching new courses, advising grad students, and serving on thesis committees.

Motion #4 M/S/P (12 in favor, 1 opposed)
To forward this item to the Senate in December for discussion.

Remaining discussion items were postponed to the next EC meeting due to lack of time.

Meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.
Respectfully submitted by Marcia Woolf, Senate Coordinator

Approved by the Executive Committee _____
Linda Holt, Secretary Date

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