

MINUTES

Executive Committee of the Academic Senate – Special Session
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SAN MARCOS
Wednesday, September 16, 2009
12 – 12:50 p.m. ~ Kellogg 5207

Members Present	Janet McDaniel, Int. Chair/SAC	Rika Yoshii, Int. Vice Chair/APC	Mohammad Oskoorouchi, Secty.
	Kathleen Watson, BLP	Eun Kang, FAC	Yvonne Meulemans, GEC
	Allison Carr, LATAAC	G. Brodowsky, NEAC/ASCSU	Kathy Norman, PAC
	Jule Gómez de García, UCC	Pam Kohlbry, Nursing	Dick Montanari, ASCSU
Ex Officio Present	Don Barrett, CFA		
Not Present	Emily Cutrer, Provost		
Staff	Marcia Woolf, Academic Senate Coordinator		

I. Approval of Agenda

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

II. Approval of Minutes of September 9, 2009

A change was made to the minutes.

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

III. Int. Chair's Report, Janet McDaniel: Pam Kohlbry has been elected by the School of Nursing to represent them on the Executive Committee. There will be a Promotion & Tenure reception on September 30 in the McMahan House Great Room. A joint AALC/EC meeting is scheduled for October 6 to receive the report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the AA Budget; McDaniel will check on whether BLP may attend this meeting. Haynes will hold an open faculty forum during University Hour on October 6 in Commons 206. Suggestions were sought for AA town hall meeting topics and included "budget" and an all-faculty town hall. EC members weighed in on a proposed message to faculty concerning student absences related to the H1N1 virus. We have received a notice from the Chancellor's Office that the Lower Division Transfer Project has been "re-envisioned" due to costs; some LDTP efforts have been suspended indefinitely, although campuses may use it as they wish.

Referral:NEAC PPI Appeals Committee

IV. Secretary's Report, Mohammad Oskoorouchi: As printed on the agenda.

V. Provost's Report, Emily Cutrer: The provost was unable to attend.

VI. ASCSU Report, Brodowsky/Montanari: The ASCSU Senators reviewed a number of resolutions proposed and passed at the recent plenary meeting and provided committee updates.

VII. CFA Report, Don Barrett: Barrett will look into the matter of all summer courses moving to self support systemwide. CFA will support a student Save CSUSM petition drive on September 24. There may be a legislative e-mail campaign planned for the first furlough payday, September 30. A systemwide protest event is scheduled for the week of October 12. Assemblyperson Torrico is scheduled to visit campus on October 13 to talk about budget and education priorities.

VIII. ASI Board Meeting Report, Rika Yoshii: A written report was provided.

IX. Brief Oral Committee Reports

BLP: The first P form has been received, and there are three potential A forms coming from CoAS, but the committee will not begin its review until the work of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Academic Affairs Budget is complete in early October. At last week's UBC meeting, the group went through budget projections for this year; they started with cuts to CSU and then saw how these translated to our campus cuts (which add up to \$13.6M), and then from there to present day status. Our \$13.6M cut has been paid down with the 10% student fee increase, the secondary 20% fee increase, and some miscellaneous fees including an increase in international student fees. Another \$6M was generated by furloughs, leaving a \$2.6M cut to be divided among the divisions. This cut started out as a pro rata cut, but Academic Affairs argued that it could not take a \$1.6M cut, and so ended with a \$1.2M cut with the \$400,000 difference expected to be covered by University surplus. Members of UBC argued against a suggestion that there be no further UBC meetings this fall, averring that

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they would need at least one meeting in October. It will be important for the campus community to see whether divisions have cut back and how savings have been realized. In AALC yesterday, the group looked at the same data as UBC. Division projections for AY 10/11 look very dire. It was noted that discussions of next year's budget are highly speculative, but it is expected to be worse than this year's. We are working under the assumption that there will be no furloughs next year and that there will be another 10% student fee increase. A question was raised on the difference between San Marcos instructional budget in 2008 (42%) vs. that of our peer campuses (47%). The difference of -5% would be translated onto \$4.5 million dollars in 2008. Watson mentioned that this difference might be due to our expenditures on library and technology. BLP will look into this for details.

GEC: The committee will resume its work on the GELO project, and is sending some drafts out for faculty review. Computer Competency Requirement will be a big issue this year; many concerns were raised last spring (access, exam itself, online security, etc.).

NEAC: The committee will meet next week to discuss vacant seats and policy issues.

SAC: McDaniel sought input concerning the scope of a new policy on absences for athletes: should the policy extend to students other than athletes who miss class due to conference attendance, for instance. SAC was advised to limit the initial policy to athletes, since there are specific national regulations governing this matter.

X. Old Business

APC Catalog Rights

Motion #3 M/S/P*

To forward this item for a first reading at the next Senate meeting.

XI. New Business

A. EC Election of Senate Parliamentarian for 09/10

Motion #4 M/S/P*

To elect Jackie Trischman to serve as this year's Senate Parliamentarian.

B. Presentations to EC/Senate by Other Divisions EC members discussed how best to approach the sharing of information between the Senate and other divisions this year, in light of the cancelled EC retreat and the efforts by AALC to meet with the standing committee chairs. Neil Hoss and Jan Jackson will be invited to EC in the near future.

C. SFR Calculation Oskoorouchi presented a table showing two different ways in calculating FTEF. Using PIMS San Marcos falls 7th from the top. Using APDB we are 3rd from the bottom. There was a discussion on the difference between these two calculations. It was noted that for most campuses (except SD and SM) the difference between FTEF based on PIMS and APDB is positive, which results in higher SFR for those campuses. The only two campuses that show negative difference are SD (-6) and SM (-36). There was a question on this difference. EC members also noted that FTEF based on APDB in 2007 was 335 which was raised to 382 in 2008 which again contributes to the low SFR.

D. Resolution from All Faculty Meeting EC members agreed to some changes to the draft resolution, and to arrange for an electronic vote by the Senate.

Motion #5 M/S/P*

To forward this item to the Senate electronically for a first reading.

E. Resolution on Logo Vote EC members agreed to some changes to the draft resolution, and to arrange for an electronic vote by the Senate.

Motion #6 M/S/P*

To forward this item to the Senate electronically for a first reading.

XII. EC Members' Concerns & Announcements None.

Meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Marcia Woolf, Senate Coordinator

Approved by the Executive Committee _____
Mohammad Oskoorouchi, Secretary Date

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