

MINUTES

Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SAN MARCOS
Wednesday, January 23, 2008
KEL 5207
12 – 2 p.m.

Members Present	Rika Yoshii, APC Marshall Whittlesey, GEC Gabriela Sonntag, PAC Dick Montanari, ASCSU	Janet McDaniel, Vice Chair Kathleen Watson, BLP Joan Hanor, LATAC Martha S-Holmes, SAC	Glen Brodowsky, Secty/ASCSU Betsy Read, FAC Radhika Ramamurthi, NEAC Olaf Hansen, UCC
Ex Officio Present	Janet Powell, CFA		
Not present	Emily Cutrer, Provost; Judy Papenhausen, Nursing; Patty Seleski, Chair		
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 11/28/07 and 12/5/07

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

III. Chair's Report, Janet McDaniel for Patty Seleski

A. Announcements: McDaniel reported that Seleski was unable to attend due to illness, and welcomed the EC members to the new semester and noted it would be a busy one. She noted that she plans to visit each of the standing committees this semester.

B. Referrals to Committees:

APC Review of proposed policy on Concurrent Master's Degree Credit
LATAC Review of proposed CSU-wide information security policies
NEAC Periodic review committee – Neal Hoss, 2 tenured faculty

IV. Provost's Report, Emily Cutrer: Cutrer will be teaching a History senior seminar this semester, and is learning much about the faculty perspective and in particular the adjunct perspective. There is no update concerning the budget or enrollment, except that the CSU, UC and CCCs will be forming a united front with the legislature and governor. Faculty searches along with all other open and planned campus searches are being evaluated by the president's office. Ceppi, Bush and Evans will attend a Chancellor's Office meeting on enrollment tomorrow. Currently, our target is the same as last year's and applications for fall close February 1. The newly approved Academic Affairs strategic goals will be discussed at next week's EC meeting. Town halls are being scheduled and it is planned that the first will be a discussion of our progress on this year's division goals followed by an open forum; one will be on staff issues; one will concentrate on academic excellence issues; and one may focus on assessment. EC members suggested at least one forum be scheduled as soon as possible to discuss the budget and its impact on the faculty, even if we do not have answers yet. Yoshii asked that a campus announcement be issued by the provost concerning the renaming of the High Tech Management and Computer Science programs. There was a brief discussion about the new fall-issued UPD/RSCA awards resulting in those awardees

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having only six months to use their awards; Cutrer indicated that she will ensure their funds are exempted from the year-end sweep.

V. ASCSU Report: Brodowsky and Montanari attended the plenary meeting last week, and Montanari attended the Fiscal & Governmental Affairs committee meeting. Montanari noted the possible impact of Prop 92, and provided an update concerning the budget as presented to the ASCSU by Chancellor Reed and Patrick Lenz. The \$312 million shortfall currently proposed by the governor is based on a “workload” budget (including growth and Compact money), so the net effect is a \$112 million cut. He also noted some of the resolutions which were passed, including that regarding the fee differential for MBAs, a commendation for Patrick Lenz, support for a CSU nursing doctorate, and a request to delay implementation of a new State-mandated teacher performance assessment program.

VI. CFA Report, Janet Powell: The CFA is united with the CSU in its budget efforts. The CBA protects faculty increases in June this year and the CSU would have to reopen negotiations to make any changes to the July raises, which is considered highly unlikely and faculty would have the right to an immediate strike. There may be some issues concerning our campus equity increases which are still being resolved.

VIII. Brief Oral Committee Reports

FAC: Read noted that the faculty survey concerning student evaluations has gone out, and encouraged faculty to respond.

IX. Old Business None.

XI. New Business

A. Attendance at ASI Board Meetings A list of spring meeting dates was circulated and EC members volunteered for all dates.

XII. Information Item

Report from the Professional Leave Committee A goldenrod handout of a report from current PLC chair Veronica Anover was provided along with a spreadsheet showing the number of applications and awards since 1997/98, which was prepared by Stivers’ office. Twenty-four sabbaticals were awarded this year. Two faculty members have postponed their leaves in order to complete projects within their colleges. One faculty member has opted to take a Difference in Pay Leave. Cutrer noted that replacement faculty funds are not automatically provided to the colleges, but will be provided on an as-needed basis. Brodowsky suggested that the sabbatical leave workshop include guidelines for writing leave reports. Sonntag noted that librarian faculty do not conduct the type of research that other faculty do and asked about how the PLC ranks or weights the type/level of faculty applying as well as the nature and quality of the proposed research. Cutrer noted that the current policy does not include faculty rank, pedagogy vs. research, nor the faculty member’s unit as criteria. After a brief discussion, the EC members agreed that it would prove helpful to discuss the criteria and ranking process with Anover; she will be invited to attend a subsequent meeting. Concern was expressed that the number of sabbatical leaves awarded seems to be dropping. Cutrer indicated that 1/7th of eligible faculty should be on sabbatical in any given year provided a sufficient number of quality proposals are submitted.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.
Marcia Woolf, Academic Senate Coordinator

Approved: _____
Glen Brodowsky, Secretary 07/08

Date: _____

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