

## MINUTES

Executive Committee of the Academic Senate  
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SAN MARCOS  
Wednesday, April 30, 2008  
KEL 5207  
12-2 p.m.

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<b>Members Present</b>	<b>Patty Seleski, Chair</b> <b>Betsy Read, FAC</b> <b>Radhika Ramamurthi, NEAC</b> <b>Olaf Hansen, UCC</b>	<b>Janet McDaniel, Vice Chair</b> <b>Marshall Whittlesey, GEC</b> <b>Gabriela Sonntag, PAC</b>	<b>Glen Brodowsky, Secty/ASCSU</b> <b>Joan Hanor, LATAC</b> <b>Martha S-Holmes, SAC</b>
<b>Ex Officio Present</b>	<b>Emily Cutrer, Provost; Judy Papenhausen, Nursing; Janet Powell, CFA</b>		
<b>Not Present</b>	<b>Rika Yoshii, APC; Kathleen Watson, BLP; Dick Montanari, ASCSU</b>		
<b>Staff</b>	<b>Marcia Woolf, Academic Senate Coordinator</b>		

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### I. Approval of Agenda

**ADD: X. New Business: B. SAC Resolution on Lottery Grant Funding Allocation**  
**XII. Information Item: B. Foundations of Excellence Update - Barsky**

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

### II. Approval of Minutes of 4/23/08

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

**III. Chair's Report, Patty Seleski:** Seleski thanked the committee for their work this year, and committee members thanked Seleski for the provided lunch. Year-end committee reports are due Friday. Next week the EC will elect a parliamentarian for 08/09. EC member commented that they appreciated the tone of EC meetings this year, that the meetings have been enjoyable and fun, and that they appreciated the OffLeash blog.

**IV. Provost's Report, Emily Cutrer:** Cutrer also thanked the EC for their hard work and leadership this year. The administration and UBC will continue to meet and work to manage budget issues as they unfold over the summer.

**V. ASCSU Report: Glen Brodowsky:** The ASCSU meets in plenary next week.

**VI. CFA Report, Janet Powell:** Several faculty, staff, and students are lobbying today. A new president is still being sought for CFA. A repeat of the recent benefits workshop will be held tomorrow afternoon.

**VII. ASI Board Meeting Report, Olaf Hansen:** The Social Justice Officer expressed concern that there is no recognition of Asian Pacific Islander students during commencement week. The officer is trying to expand the idea of social justice within ASI by adding reference to it in the mission statement of the organization and that of the college representatives' group. The officer attended the recent Social Justice forum and there heard a rumor that Ethnic Studies courses are in danger of losing GE credit. The Student Organizations Council has recently changed its name to Leadership Funding Board; ASI is conducting a survey concerning this change. Two new club sports have been added: cycling and triathlon. Seleski thanked Hansen and other EC members for attending ASI meetings this year.

*\*All motions were passed unanimously unless stated otherwise.*

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Brodowsky reported that the IRA Fee Committee recently reviewed many great proposals; it is nice to be able to fund some excellent programs in these difficult budget times.

#### **VIII. Brief Committee Reports:**

**NEAC:** Ramamurthi asked that chairs please provide new chair/meeting time information for 08/09 to NEAC so that the information may be provided to faculty when NEAC issues its final call of the year. NEAC will summarize its deliberations concerning representation for Nursing and will share that with Papenhausen and the EC.

**PAC:** The committee has been discussing including a sixth year to the proposed program review plan, but has yet to agree about what the nature of it would be. PAC is leaning toward expanding the assessment period to from three years to four.

**UCC:** The committee may ask the Senate to suspend the rules next week for a Border Studies program.

#### **XI. Information Items (taken out of order for time certain)**

**A. Fall 2008 WASC Educational Effectiveness Report** Jeffries noted that we are preparing for the Educational Effectiveness visit to take place next spring. Three themes have been identified as the focus of our review: academic planning processes, first-year student retention, and assessment of student learning outcomes. Jeffries sought the EC's advice on engaging the campus community in reviewing and refining our reports to the WASC review team on these themes, which will be submitted before the winter break. Suggestions included: (1) Q&A sessions at college faculty meetings; (2) a presentation at Convocation; (3) asking Senate standing committees to provide input; and (4) introduce the reports at August college retreats.

**B. Foundations of Excellence Status Report** Barsky explained that seven committees have been working on nine "dimensions," along with a steering committee. Five of the nine reports have gone out; others are close to being finished. The next step is that we receive feedback from Betsy Barefoot. It is unclear how the process will play out between now and July 31<sup>st</sup> when our contract with her ends. Action items are being prioritized, and we will work next year to implement these as we are able. Concern was expressed about the nature of commitments resulting from this process and how these may impact faculty. Foundations of Excellence will be the subject of tomorrow's Academic Affairs town hall meeting.

#### **IX. Old Business**

**A. FAC Recommended Revisions to Guidelines for President's Awards** Read noted that FAC had changed the "Innovative Teaching" award to "Teaching Excellence." While the president did wish to recognize innovation, FAC members believed it would be difficult for students to recognize innovation. It was suggested that references to innovation be changed to effective or creative, or that students provide evidence of the effectiveness of the innovation. Further comments to FAC.

**B. SAC Resolution on Lottery Grant Funding Allocation at Cal State San Marcos** Stoddard Holmes noted that SAC has received some feedback since the first reading. The comments have led to more fundamental questions, such as where there should be pre-allocations based on FTES with smaller competitions, or should there be some entirely new model. She provided a handout listing advantages and disadvantages to the proposed process, and EC members discussed these and whether it would be prudent to table the item. EC members discussed and decided against tabling the item. SAC will learn how other campuses process lottery grant proposals.

#### **X. New Business** None.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.  
Marcia Woolf, Academic Senate Coordinator

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_  
Glen Brodowsky, Secretary 07/08

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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