

MINUTES

Executive Committee of the Academic Senate CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SAN MARCOS

Wednesday, April 15, 2009

KEL 5207

12 – 2 p.m.

| | | | |
|-----------------|--|--|---|
| Members Present | Janet McDaniel, Chair Emily Cutrer, Provost G. Brodowsky, ASCSU/NEAC Olaf Hansen, UCC | Shaoyi He, Vice Chair Rika Yoshii, APC Martha S-Holmes, SAC Fritz Kreisler, CFA | Andre Kündgen, Secty. Kathleen Watson, BLP Laurie Stowell, PAC Dick Montanari, ASCSU |
| Not Present | Youwen Ouyang, GEC/LATAC; Jackie Trischman, FAC | | |
| Guests | Don Barrett, David Barsky, Susie Lan Cassel | | |
| Staff | Marcia Woolf, Academic Senate Coordinator | | |

I. Approval of Agenda

DELETE: IV. Items forwarded to administration
CHANGE: X. A. APC Undergraduate Probation...: *move to Old Business*
ADD: X. C. EC Resolution
X. D. EC AANAPISI Resolution *Time certain 1 p.m.*
X. E. EC Resolution to Endorse LAFS Resolution

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

II. Approval of Minutes of 3/25/09 & 4/8/09

Corrections were made to the minutes.

Motion #2 M/S/P*
To approve both sets of minutes as amended.

III. Chair's Report, Janet McDaniel: EC members were polled to determine whether one could attend the April 24 ASI Board meeting; none of the members were available to attend. The referenda passed; enough votes were achieved to validate the poll. McDaniel attended a statewide Senate chairs' meeting last week and discussed the budget and quality of instruction in tough economic times. Also discussed were online teaching evaluations (some campuses have implemented; on some campuses, these have raised controversy) and the possibility of budget cuts over the summer and the need for faculty involvement in those decisions. EC and LATAC members are invited to meet with the Library dean candidates.

IV. Secretary's Report, Andre Kündgen: A written report was provided and amended.

V. Provost's Report, Emily Cutrer: The AA division depends on about \$9M each year in salary savings and abatements to make ends meet – our actual allocation of \$36-37M does not fully meet our needs. The provost's office requested anticipated salary savings from the units a few weeks ago to determine whether we can expect to meet that \$9 million figure in 09/10. According to the information received, we are about \$560K short. Rather than initiate any cuts, Glasgow has gone back to the units to double check for possible missed savings. Each of the units has now been asked to do a preliminary base budget review to try to find additional monies. In addition, a third quarter review is due from the units in mid-May and we should have a better idea then about carryover funds. EC members asked about impending budget cuts (no additional cuts known at this time) and how stimulus money may help us (more funding available for NSF/NIH grants, for which several people are applying). While external funding from grants may not benefit instruction, it will lead to overhead money (albeit, with strings attached) for the division; a simpler formula for

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

Legend: M = Moved

S = Seconded

D = Defeated

P = Passed

L = Lost

W = Withdrawn

determining the distribution of overhead funds is under consideration. Cutrer congratulated and thanked all those involved in the recent WASC visit and noted that we have a lot of work to do.

VI. ASCSU Report, Brodowsky/Montanari: Efforts continue on a resolution concerning class size and quality of instruction. Legislative Days were held yesterday in Sacramento: a highly organized effort; strong support was expressed for higher education, though no funds available to commit. ASCSU senators lobbied for the doctorate in nursing and for general support. A textbook affordability bill is in the works that would require a cost/benefit analysis if there is a change in the text more often than every three years.

VII. CFA Report, Fritz Kreisler: CFA is co-sponsoring this week's Social Justice and Equity Symposium, as well as a discussion next week on the struggles of undocumented students. There may be an informational event about Proposition 1A, and CFA is discussing on-line evaluation of teaching, which research shows tends to lead to lower evaluations for teachers of color. Brodowsky noted that a statewide task force which issued a report on teaching evaluations has been asked to reopen the topic.

VIII. Brief Committee Reports

APC: A written report was provided.

FAC: No report

LATAC: No report

PAC: Stowell reported that next week's town hall meeting on program evaluation has been postponed to the fall. PAC is finalizing four program reviews. Two out of the three recommendations from the WASC team are PAC related. An updated Program Evaluation and Planning (PEP) document will not be completed this term. Reminders about next year's scheduled reviews are to go out in May.

UCC: The committee has received responses to questions concerning the Biotechnology master, and also received catalog language for the Nursing master. Kern and Papenhausen are to meet with UCC next Monday. Hansen makes no prediction of concerning UCC's completion of these reviews. Watson noted that BLP has finished its review of Nursing and hopes to finish Biotech this week.

IX. Old Business

A. ROTC Study Group Report Barsky and Barrett, co-chairs of the study group, met with the EC. The EC discussed the content of the study group's report and procedural issues and learned of preliminary input received from University Counsel concerning the Solomon Amendment. It was agreed that more discussion was needed before any action could be taken by the EC. It was decided that the EC would commence its April 22 meeting at 11:30 a.m. and that the officers would agendize the ROTC Study Group Report on that date with a 12 noon time certain.

B. APC Undergraduate Probation, Disqualification, and Reinstatement Policy

Motion #3 M/S/P*

To forward this item to the April 22 Senate agenda for a first reading.

X. New Business

A. UCC CoBA Entrepreneurship Tracks A handout was provided. Of the six courses proposed for the Entrepreneurship tracks, one is renamed and five are new. The tracks will be under the Global Business Management option and the Management option, which is now split. The track is aimed at students who want to start their own businesses. BLP does not normally review new tracks, but Watson plans to discuss this matter with Barsky. She noted that current faculty are being used and that the college tightened up the electives; it was determined there are no resource issues. Hansen noted that UCC requested a P form since so much of the option was new. Cutrer wondered if consideration had been given to offering the courses to non-Business majors, noting there might be some grant

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

opportunities. McDaniel asked that CoBA reconsider the title of one course, "In the Trenches," due to the warfare origin of the term and since a different title might be more descriptive.

Motion #4 M/S/P*

To forward this item to the April 22 Senate agenda for a first reading,
pending resolution of the ENTR 423 course title question.

D. EC Resolution in support of AANAPISI Task Force (taken out of order for time certain)

Cassel noted that Congress recently legislated support for Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institutions. An informal working group of faculty and staff worked under a very short deadline to compile and submit data, and CSUSM subsequently received the designation. Activists and legislators spearheading funding for the grants are seeking \$30M for 2010. There is talk of a possible short deadline next month for a pot of \$10M. In anticipation, the provost has named task force which will meet for the first time this Friday and which hopes to respond to the request for proposals. In addition, the task force is working on a visibility campaign to include acknowledgement by the president at the international celebration next week as well as the resolution the EC is considering today. It will be important to get the word out about our designation so that units may take advantage of the attendant resources. It is expected the grants will be for a maximum of \$2M. To be eligible for the designation, 10% of a campus's enrollment must claim Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander status and the majority of these must qualify for student aid. It was noted that no UC or CSU institution received an award in the first grant cycle. Some modifications were made to the proposed resolution.

Motion #5 M/S/P* (Stowell)

To forward this item to the April 22 Senate agenda for a first reading,

B. UCC P Form Signature Page Hansen noted that the signature of the Planning, Design, and Construction director is now required, with an optional report.

Motion #6 M/S/P* (UCC)

To forward this item to the April 22 Senate agenda for a first reading,

C. EC Resolution

Motion #7 M/S/P* (Stowell)

To forward this item to the April 22 Senate agenda for a first reading,

E. Endorsement of LAFS Resolution It was agreed that McDaniel would bring a draft endorsing resolution to next week's EC meeting.

XI. EC Members' Concerns & Announcements None.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Prepared by Marcia Woolf, Academic Senate Coordinator

Approved by the Executive Committee _____
Andre Kündgen, Secretary Date