

MINUTES

Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SAN MARCOS
Wednesday, September 24, 2008
KEL 5207
12-2 p.m.

Members Present	Janet McDaniel, Chair Kathy Norman, APC Glen Brodowsky, ASCSU/NEAC Olaf Hansen, UCC	Shaoyi He, Vice Chair/LATAC Jackie Trischman, FAC Laurie Stowell, PAC	Andre Kündgen, Secretary Yvonne Meulemans, GEC Martha S-Holmes, SAC
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Ex Officio Present Emily Cutrer, Provost; Fritz Kreisler, CFA

Not Present Dick Montanari, ASCSU; Kathleen Watson, BLP

Staff Marcia Woolf, Academic Senate Coordinator

I. Approval of Agenda

DELETE: VIII. ASI Board Meeting Report

ADD: X. Resolution Honoring Tom Wahlund

XI. B. UCC Border Studies Option, and C. Course Offerings & Impacted Courses

Motion #1 M/S/P*

To approve the agenda as amended.

II. Approval of Minutes of 9/17/08

 Changes were made to the minutes.

Motion #2 M/S/P*

To approve the minutes as amended.

III. Chair's Report, Janet McDaniel

A. Announcements: A memorial service for Tom Wahlund will be held Sunday, October 5, at Quail Botanical Gardens in Encinitas. The Faculty Center will host an RTP workshop tomorrow. An AA town hall meeting concerning WASC theme 1 – improving retention of first-year students – will be held Tuesday, September 30. A search is underway for Faculty Center Director; the term is three years. The Senate Office looked into securing a tiered classroom for Senate meetings, but none were available this semester; we may try again in the spring. A systemwide Senate Chairs meeting will be held October 9 in Long Beach, and each chair is providing a list of 2-3 “hot” issues for their campus; the most common of these will become agenda items and the remaining may be discussed by the chairs off the agenda. EC members provided McDaniel with a number of possible topics for this meeting. McDaniel noted that SoN liaisons be included in committee discussions pertinent to them; chairs are to use their judgment in planning the participation of these liaisons, and to keep up communications with them. A new law – AB 2477 – requires that bookstores confer with academic senates concerning adoption of textbooks. McDaniel met with bookstore staff and learned of their desire to ensure timely access to affordable books for students; bookstore staff will be invited to speak to the Senate in October. Cutrer noted that, teaching as an adjunct last spring, information concerning how to order textbooks was not available to her.

B. Referrals to Committee McDaniel noted that the President's Office has requested EC members to sit on the four president's awards committees. The following appointments were made:

Scholarship & Creative Activity – Olaf Hansen

Service Leadership – Shaoyi He

Outstanding Lecturer – Jackie Trischman

Innovation in Teaching – Martha Stoddard Holmes

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Legend: M = Moved

S = Seconded

D = Defeated

P = Passed

L = Lost

W = Withdrawn

IV. Secretary's Report, Andre Kündgen: A written report was provided on the agenda.

V. Provost's Report, Emily Cutrer: The mountain lion has been spotted again and employees are warned to use caution after dark. Brodowsky recommended that we get Sarah Palin to shoot it, and McDaniel concurred that Palin would be preferred over Cheney for the task. Cutrer asked that people take time to read the committee's posted report on WASC item 1 before attending next Tuesday's town hall. Cutrer will report next week on our figures for census day. Cutrer explained the process for administrative review of Senate resolutions and policy items.

VI. ASCSU Report, Brodowsky/Montanari: Chancellor Reed has been honored by McGraw-Hill for support of and advancing education. A systemwide committee recently worked on issues surrounding the "scholarship of community engagement." Trischman noted that many faculty issues related to this are similar to those of faculty involved in undergraduate research. Brodowsky will provide the committee's report.

VII. CFA Report, Fritz Kreisler: The CSU may decide to award the GSIs and SSIs as described in the contract, or instead meet and confer; it is hoped we will learn this decision shortly. Concerning post-promotion increases (PPIs), funding for these is not affected by the budget. Negotiations between CFA and the CSU concerning the process to be used for these awards are going extremely well. The Chancellor's Office will be providing the details of the process shortly. The process will likely involve submission of a maximum two-page narrative with a committee review. Concerning equity increases, there exist many problematic issues and the parties are further from agreement on that issue.

VIII. Brief Committee Reports

BLP: A written report was provided.

GEC: A written report was provided.

NEAC: NEAC has appointed Don Barrett, Linda Pershing, and Kara Witzke to the ROTC study group. The provost's appointees are Vicki Hernandez and David Barsky. Patty Seleski will serve as the Senate chair's appointee. The group will now convene.

SAC: SAC members attended the CUGR (Committee on Undergraduate Research) town hall last week, a well attended and lively gathering which provided SAC members with insight on how best to support CUGR: better communication about research already underway, and more visibility for and involvement of students of the Humanities. The committee will begin its review of the Student Grade Appeals Policy.

IX. Old Business

Resolution Honoring Tom Wahlund Stowell distributed a slightly modified, final version of the resolution which will be shared with the Senate on October 1, and presented to Colleen Moss by McDaniel at an appropriate time.

X. New Business

A. NEAC Referendum Language: SoN Representation on Senate NEAC has developed a proposed modification to the Constitution which will allow "schools not within colleges" to be represented on the Senate.

Motion #3 M/S/P* (Trischman)
To initiate a referendum in accordance with the Constitution.

B. UCC Border Studies Option Hansen explained that UCC and the Senate approved a Border Studies program several years ago. The Chancellor's Office suggested that Border Studies be offered first as an option within Liberal Studies (LS) to ascertain demand, and so it was resubmitted to UCC last spring as an option. The Chancellor's Office had concerns about student demand for such an option within LS and incorporation of the option into the already complicated LS program, which – combined with the short time available – prevented it from moving forward to the Senate last year. This fall, UCC has received new catalog language from the department which will make it clear to students that this option does not prepare one for any CSET tests or K-8 curriculum and is entirely different from the current ICT and EMS options. The

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department is anxious to ensure that this language appear in the spring 2009 catalog addendum which will go to print in October; thus, it is expected that Senate action will be requested in October.

Motion #4 M/S/P* (Brodowsky)
To move the option onto the October Senate agenda as a first reading item.

It was agreed that Woolf would provide BLP and UCC's committee reports on this item along with the proposed catalog language to the Senators as soon as possible.

C. Course Offerings and Impacted Classes Stoddard Holmes has received an inquiry from a student who works on *The Pride*, and who is working on an editorial concerning the adding of students to impacted classes this semester and the scheduling of course offerings. EC members suggested that it was appropriate for the SAC chair to respond to such a request for information, and/or to direct the student to the appropriate Senate sources. EC members also discussed the issues surrounding the difficulties with adding students this semester, including the unanticipated influx of first time students and the problems we experienced with the new PeopleSoft system.

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

Approved by the Executive Committee _____
Andre Kündgen, Secretary Date