

**ACADEMIC SENATE  
OF  
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SAN MARCOS  
March 7, 2012  
Commons 206**

Minutes

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**Voters Present** Robert Aboolian, Jocelyn Ahlers, Wayne Aitken, Bonnie Bade, Don Barrett, Nicoleta Bateman, Staci Beavers, Ian Chan, Denise Chavira, David Chien, Catherine Cucinella, Vassilis Dalakas, Annette Daoud, Chuck De Leone, Larry Detzel, Sharon Elise, Katherine Hajar, Pam Kohlbry, Jeffrey Kohles, Kara Kornher, Brian Lawler, Cyrus Masroori, Janet McDaniel, Michael McDuffie, Ofer Meilich, Yvonne Meulemans, Bud Morris, Tejinder Neelon, Karno Ng, Kimberley Pulvers, Lorri Santamaria, Alyssa Sepinwall, Linda Shaw, Laurie Stowell, Pamela Stricker, Yi Sun, Marie Thomas, Jackie Trischman, Wenyuh Tsay, Candace Van Dall (staff), Mark Wallace, Kathleen Watson, Rika Yoshii

**Not Present** Glen Brodowsky, Merryl Goldberg, Rocio Guillen, John Halcon, Michael Hughes, Deborah Kristan, Kristin Moss, Jeff Nessler, Gary Oddou, Alberto Ribas-Casasayas, Scott Silveira (ASI), Aníbal Yáñez-Chávez

**Parliamentarian** Beverlee Anderson

**Ex Officio Present** David Barsky - AVP-AP, Don Chu - Dean CEHHS, Emily Cutrer - Provost & VP-AA, Regina Eisenbach - Int. Dean CoBA, Gerardo González - AVP-R & Dean Grad. Studies, Karen Haynes - President, Katherine Kantardjieff - Dean CSM, Janet Powell - AVP-FA, Barbara Preece - Dean Library, Mike Schroder - Dean EL, Adam Shapiro - Dean CHABSS, Eloise Stiglitz - VP-SA

**Guests** Jackie Boren - Assoc. Dean Library, Darren Bush - AVP-EMS, Matt Ceppi - Pres. Chief of Staff/Dir. IPA, Ben Cherry - Assoc. Dean CoBA, Dawn Formo - Assoc. Dean CHABSS, Graham Oberem - Assoc. Dean CSM, Patty Seleski - Assoc. Dean CHABSS

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**I. Approval of Agenda**

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

**II. Approval of Minutes of 02/01/2012 Meeting**

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

**III. Chair's Report, Wayne Aitken** Aitken asked Senators to encourage colleagues to vote in the current constitutional referendum and noted a second referendum would be held concurrently with the spring elections. The chancellor met with statewide senate chairs recently and said he was the most frustrated he has been in 14 years, especially in dealings with the legislature and its lack of support for the CSU. He said that if the initiative slated for the November ballot does not pass, it will mean a cut of about \$200M to the system; this could signal enrollment drops and possible consolidation of academic programs and operational services. He also conceded that the furlough program, which he referred to as a pay cut, was a stupid decision.

\*Unanimous vote.

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Aitken noted that the Senate has been asked to review the open letter and RFP materials for Cal State Online and provide feedback in late March. Ruth Black, the executive director, visited CSUSM for an open forum and made it clear she works for the Board of Directors and not the Chancellor's Office. The board includes several faculty members as well as our president. Phase one will launch as a pilot in the fall; the official launch is scheduled for the spring.

The deadline for applying to participate in the Faculty Celebration of Scholarship Event is March 15. Gonzalez noted that we have had a good response so far. He acknowledged the great support the event has received from across campus and encouraged all to attend.

**IV. Secretary's Report, Charles De Leone** The following items have been forwarded to the administration:

- AS Resolution honoring the contributions of Professor Radhika Ramamurthi
- LATAC Intellectual Property policy
- APC Course Repeat policy
- APC Graduation Requirements policy

**V. President's Report, Karen Haynes** The CSU presidents are meeting tomorrow to go over ways to meet a possible \$200M automatic and permanent budget reduction in AY 13/14, if the Governor's November initiative to extend State sales, income, and motor vehicle taxes, does not pass. This would mean a \$5M cut to CSUSM; high level plans to meet that reduction include use of other streams of revenue (e.g., Extended Learning, UARSC, SMACC profits; a possible specialized student fee; and a line item for workforce reduction based on currently vacant positions and possibly some temporary positions). The chancellor has indicated that furloughs should not be on the table. A reduction in the State University Grant set-aside (currently 33%) could be helpful and may be considered though he and the board have been against that idea to date. We do not expect to have to take any draconian budget measures for AY 12/13. For AY 13/14, in the worst case scenario, almost all campuses have been given enrollment targets requiring they manage enrollment down by 3%. We are over 5% over our target this year, but there was a 3% cushion (we are trying to negotiate to keep the fees). For AY 13/14, our target is down 3% from this year's target, but there would be a 5% cushion.

CSU Online's name was changed to "Cal Sate Online" because the Colorado State University system was already using "CSU Online." The RFP is for vendors who would help pay for and provide some of the "back office" services, technology support, etc. Without such a private partner, there is no money in the system to develop and support the initiative. It remains to be seen whether our campus will wish to participate. Haynes encouraged Senators to provide feedback to the RFP.

**VI. Provost's Report, Emily Cutrer** Three faculty hires were made in the fall, in Psychology, Kinesiology, and Accounting. There are ongoing searches in Rhetoric & Composition, Accounting, and Biology. Candidates are visiting now for the Dean of CoBA position. We are in the reference check phase of the AVP-Planning & Academic Resources search. Candidates will be visiting soon for the Executive Director of Global Education position. Cutrer encouraged all to attend the candidates' forums and to provide feedback to the search committees.

We had our biggest ever Student Research Competition last week; 46 students presented and we are sending 10 to the systemwide competition. A joint Academic Affairs/Student Affairs group is working on a Title V grant proposal due in about a week, in conjunction with our Hispanic-Serving Institution designation; the grant would provide \$3M over five years and would fund services of benefit to all of our students.

Next week, Sonny Lacks will speak at the California Center for the Arts as part of the regional campus "read" of *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*, by Rebecca Skloot. Next year's read is Rachel Carson's momentous 1962 book, *Silent Spring*.

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**VII. VP for Student Affairs Report, Eloise Stiglitz** Proposals for the Instructionally Related Activity Fee are due March 15. Over 230 student issues came to the new SOAR (Student Outreach and Referral) office in the fall. A major impetus for creating SOAR was in response to faculty requests for a place to direct students; very few of the 230 contacts in the fall were initiated by faculty, so faculty are being encouraged to remember and to use the service to help their students (760-750-SOAR). Grad Fest is next week (760-750-DONE). We have received 242 "intents to enroll" from freshmen in our local service area (up 8.5%); 20 from non-local service area (up 233%); 11 from outside the region (up 22%); and 2 from out of state/international (we are still open in these areas). That is 276 filings compared to 244 at this time last year. A Social Justice Summit was held a couple of weeks ago, wherein 46 students spent a weekend learning about social justice and it was a huge success. We have 40 students signed up for the upcoming Leadership Education and Development (LEAD) weekend retreat for first and second year students. Our Greek community is growing (three new chapters and 271 students now involved) and we have hired a new Greek Life coordinator. This is Safer Spring Break week, and we had over 300 students learning about alcohol and prescription drug abuse on Monday. We had a big Civility Day yesterday as part of our Civility campaign. Thanks to the new mental health fee, our Student Health & Counseling Center is hiring several new faculty to start in the fall, and we are in the early stages of planning a new Center slated to open in a couple of years next to the parking structure.

**VIII. ASCSU Report** Meilich reported that the chair of the Board of Trustees, Herb Carter, was not reappointed by the legislature. The CSU has recently signed contracts with three book sellers/publishers: Cengage, Follett, and CourseSmart to provide e-books, an optional service.

**IX. CFA report, Don Barrett** An event is planned for next week on academic freedom. We will be voting on the strike from March 16 through March 27. In the event of a strike, all faculty may expect to be docked pay; this was waived for faculty who struck in the fall at East Bay and Northridge, since there was not a consistent, systemwide plan for handling this and the disparity in treatment would have been unfair to some of the faculty.

**X. ASI report, Scott Silveira** Not present.

**XI. Oral Committee Reports** Written reports were provided by committees.

**FAC:** Santamaria reviewed the written report attached to the agenda.

**GEC:** Elise suggested that Senators visit GEC's Moodle site to review the committee's minutes to understand the effort and discussions that have gone into the items soon to come to the Senate: as part of the LEAP initiative, we are attempting to articulate the GE learning objectives for all GE courses, which are complete now for all of the lower division except for Area E, soon to be completed. The committee has also been responding to a charge to improve the GE program's attention to global and diversity issues, being mindful of concurrent initiatives to improve graduation rates. The committee did not see room for the addition of classes, and has initiated discussions regarding a proposal for a thematic, interdisciplinary upper division approach. There will be a resolution concerning our current practice of allowing students to pass GE courses with a grade of D minus, despite our catalog language which describes D as the lowest passing grade for a course.

**NEAC:** Dalakas reiterated the importance of voting on the current referendum, the outcome of which will impact the upcoming spring elections. He apologized for inadvertent language errors that caused concern for faculty in CHABSS but has now been corrected. A second referendum will be coming out soon. A senator expressed concern about the apparent expansion of some committees' makeup, despite the difficulty NEAC has had over the years of filling seats; Dalakas noted that NEAC was responding to committee requests concerning the makeup needed to appropriately conduct their work.

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**XII. Consent Calendar**

EC AY 2012/13 Academic Senate meeting schedule  
 UCC Course & Program Change Proposals

**Motion #3** M/S/P\*  
 To approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

**XIII. Action Items**

**FAC University Retention, Tenure, & Promotion** Aitken indicated that this was scheduled as an action item since it will impact the structure of the Promotion & Tenure Committee for the upcoming spring elections. Santamaría noted that additional changes to the policy will be presented in April, but today's changes are those noted in section IV.F. which refers to the makeup of the PTC (and includes corrections of the names of colleges). *FAC accepted a friendly amendment to remove the footnote on page 16.*

**Motion #4** M/S/P\* (McDaniel)  
 To strike the parenthetical phrase at line 623.

**Motion #5** M/S/P\*  
 To pass the policy revision of section IV.F. as amended.

**XIV. Discussion items****A. GEC American Institutions and Ideals: Certification by Examination**

**Motion #6** M/S/P (Sepinwall) (24 in favor, 3 opposed, 1 abstention)  
 To suspend the rules for a first reading and treat this as an action item.

**Motion #7** M/S/P (1 abstention)  
 To approve the policy as presented.

**B. BLP Long-Range Academic Master Plan (LAMP) resolution** Beavers expressed her appreciation to Brodowsky for his assistance in preparing the resolution. A senator asked about budgeting to build out existing programs. Beavers will take this back to BLP. Additional feedback to Beavers.

**C. FAC Department chair elections recommendation and resolution** Santamaría noted that there has been dissatisfaction expressed concerning the recent recommended guidelines for chair nominations. FAC is recommending that--for this year--entitlement for lecturer faculty be based on *complete* proportionality of their time base. A lengthy discussion ensued concerning the roles of deans, tenure track, and lecturer faculty in the chair selection process, and concern about the change from past practice. The matter of suspension of the rules was raised and a senator called for a quorum. Since a quorum was not present, the matter was postponed to the April 4 meeting.

The remaining agenda items were postponed due to lack of time.

Meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.  
 Prepared by Marcia Woolf, Senate Coordinator

Approved by the Academic Senate \_\_\_\_\_  
 Charles De Leone, Secretary Date

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