

MINUTES

Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SAN MARCOS
Wednesday, November 14, 2012
12 – 2 p.m. ~ Kellogg 5207

Voters Present	Jackie Trischman, Chair Sue Thompson, APC Vassilis Dalakas, NEAC Yi Sun, UCC	Vivienne Bennett, Vice Chair Staci Beavers, BLP Linda Shaw, PAC Ofer Meilich, ASCSU	Janet McDaniel, Secty. Allison Carr, GEC Yvonne Meulemans, SAC
Ex Officio Present	Don Barrett, CFA; Emily Cutrer, Provost		
Not Represented	FAC, LATAAC		
Guests	Mike Schroder and Sarah Villarreal (Extended Learning)		

I. Approval of agenda

ADD: VII. D. Unit limit conversation

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

II. Approval of minutes of 11/07/2012 meeting

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

III. Chair's report, Jackie Trischman: Trischman reported that the Student Excellence and Success Task Force is making preliminary presentations to various groups, including a December 5th presentation in Senate. In spring 2013, there will be open forums for targeted groups of students. The task force has met with the Student Affairs Leadership Team which gave good feedback. One potential selling point brought up in the SALT meeting is that it could eliminate the need for imposing unit limits each semester. Other campuses say that this money can be considered more permanent and so allows better planning. With a student fee increase, we only get about 57% back; but with this fee, a much higher percentage will stay on campus.

President Haynes will host an open forum for faculty tomorrow, Thursday, November 15th, from 12-12:50 p.m., in Commons 206.

There was a discussion about the status of new faculty hires as well as the MPP hires in AY 2011/12. Faculty hires need to be analyzed to determine whether new or replacement. This information will impact the current LAMP effort underway.

There will be no EC meeting next week.

IV. Provost's report, Emily Cutrer: Yesterday saw the grand opening of the STEM Center in Academic Hall, funded through a multi-million dollar NSF grant; it is housed in an old computer lab and includes a computer room for tutoring and a room for supplemental instruction. The grant provides funding for a director, who came from the Reuben H. Fleet Center. The new center will provide tutoring in all of the STEM majors. Faculty from all over campus attended the opening, as did a number of students. Since September, more than 2,000 students have logged in; the average stay has been 90 minutes.

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

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Last night, the Faculty Center hosted the Faculty Research Colloquium. Guest speaker Minda Martin, VPA, showed her film about the Afghanistan war which included very powerful work on drones and their effect on victims as well as those who operate them.

Today, the Faculty Center Fellows held a webinar on Flipping the Classroom, a follow-up to a meeting Cutrer attended with the three fellows last summer.

V. ASCSU report, Brodowsky/Meilich: Meilich reported the incoming Chancellor Timothy White wrote the Board of Trustees asking that they reduce the State-funded portion of his salary by 10%.

The Board of Trustees has postponed considering student fee increases for behaviors that impede progress to graduation: (1) repeating a course for a higher grade if the original grade was higher than F; and (2) taking excessive units; and (3) continuing to enroll in courses despite having met graduation requirements (so-called Super Seniors). Both CFA and ASCSU opposed these increases.

Concerning the maximum degree units issue (120 for semester campuses; 180 for quarter campuses), campuses were given two weeks to report to the Chancellor's Office with a plan for addressing degrees requiring "excessive" units, and must complete complicated forms to request exceptions to the 120/180 maximum; this deadline was determined to be unrealistic. New deadlines are April 13 for programs between 120-129 units, and January 2014 for programs with 130+ units. The plan is to implement the new limits by fall of 2014. Those programs that produce certificate holders are granted an exception to start with.

ASCSU considered a first reading item to prohibit all tobacco products on campuses systemwide, whether smoking is allowed or not.

VI. CFA report, Don Barrett: Concerning the stalled equity increases, Haynes indicated at last week's Senate meeting that the presidents will be discussing how to proceed. CFA is looking into whether the CSU might be in violation of HEERA.

VII. Committee reports

APC: Thompson reported that the committee is working on the "maximum units" issue for intersession and looking at possible options for ensuring a winter session of 14 days; this may require trimming summer session from 10 to 8 weeks. Committee members are split between focusing on the restriction of units vs. courses. The committee was encouraged to make a proposal for EC to discuss and provide feedback on.

PAC: The committee expects to complete its response to the School of Nursing Bachelor of Science program by the end of the semester. Three other programs will be reviewed in spring.

UCC: The committee has invited the originator of a Geospatial Studies minor to discuss rationales for the program next week. Concerning review of the Healthcare Information Technology certificate program, Sun indicated that the program has already been launched; unless the courses are approved for credit, students may not apply for financial aid. To remedy this situation, UCC will request a suspension of the rules at the December Senate meeting. It was suggested that the suspension of the rules apply only to offering the course for credit, rather than approval of the certificate; in this way, the certificate program may enjoy two readings in the Senate. UCC is also working on a new C form which will specify the detail necessary for accompanying course outlines and syllabi.

BLP: The committee has received MAs in Public Health and Social Work to be reviewed, and is expecting an MA in Kinesiology. Dean Chu has requested that the MA in Social Work take precedence over the other CEHHS programs and confirmed that he has informed the college faculty of this request.

A discussion took place concerning a proposed reorganization of Visual & Performing Arts as a School for the Arts with departments of Music, Dance, Theater, etc., which led to discussion concerning resource needs for such a change as well as whether to re-agendize the Senate's proposed policy on Academic Affairs restructuring.

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VIII. Extended Learning presentation: Schroder/Villarreal Schroder has been sharing information concerning budget development for EL programs with BLP. Villarreal has been attending faculty meetings to talk about her role and the program development process generally. Programs go through the same process for EL as for the university. EL does not develop programs; colleges and departments develop them. Schroder used a six-unit program EL is working on with CoBA's Beverlee Anderson to bring students here from India as an example to explain conceptually EL's involvement with development. During a Q&A period, the group discussed how faculty are hired, funded, and counted (FTES); equity issues and impact on the RTP process (e.g., some EL programs can provide research assistants or other types of enhanced resources); and rights of EL tenure-track faculty (essentially the same as for other tenure-track faculty).

IX. Discussion items

- A. Meeting norms** This item was postponed to the November 28th meeting.
- B. Faculty searches** This item was discussed during the Chair's Report, above.
- C. Charge re Intellectual Property policy** This item was postponed to the November 28th meeting.

X. EC members' concerns & announcements

Meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.
Respectfully submitted by Marcia Woolf, Senate Coordinator

Approved by the Executive Committee _____
Janet McDaniel, Secretary Date

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