

MINUTES

Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SAN MARCOS
Wednesday, February 20, 2013
12 – 2 p.m. ~ Kellogg 5207

Voters Present	Jackie Trischman, Chair Sue Thompson, APC Allison Carr, GEC Yvonne Meulemans, SAC	Vivienne Bennett, Vice Chair Staci Beavers, BLP Vassilis Dalakas, NEAC Yi Sun, UCC	Janet McDaniel, Secty. Carmen Nava, FAC Linda Shaw, PAC Ofer Meilich, ASCSU
Ex Officio Present	Graham Oberem, Int. Provost; Garry Rolison, CFA		
Not represented	LATAC		
Staff	Marcia Woolf		

I. Approval of agenda

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

II. Approval of minutes of 02/13/2013 meeting

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

III. Chair's report, Jackie Trischman: Trischman noted that equity adjustments will be moving forward. Rolison said he had received word from Haynes that the Chancellor is in favor of approving the second round of equity salary increases (not retroactive) for eligible faculty, pending approval of the governor's budget; this is in accord with the negotiations agreed to by CFA and CSU during the last round of bargaining. He noted that this comes as a result of the efforts of faculty at all levels. He added that--though a small number will be affected--this is taken as a hopeful first step by the CSU toward a return to valuing and respecting faculty and the job they do to make the CSU a premier university system; our president and chancellor are to be applauded for taking this step, as are the CFA and faculty for helping them to move forward on this.

Trischman encouraged EC members to attend the last AVP-Diversity forum for Senators--or the open forum--scheduled this week. Trischman reported on last week's systemwide Senate chairs' meeting, at which discussions included Cal State Online, the 120-unit limit imposed by the Board of Trustees, and the new requirement for CSU employees to be mandatory reporters of child abuse. The president hosted a luncheon for full professors yesterday, which went very well. Some of the issues raised have already been delegated to various administrators for review. The recent AA Restructure survey of AA faculty and staff garnered 125 substantive responses; the officers will be meeting to go over the responses. Trischman also noted the referrals printed on the agenda.

IV. Interim Provost's report, Graham Oberem: Oberem will be hosting a March luncheon for associate professors. EC members discussed the history and purposes of the faculty luncheons (to encourage faculty engagement, to provide faculty with access to university administration) and recommended a luncheon for lecturer faculty as well. Oberem met with Trischman, Bennett, and Beavers to discuss concerns about space allocations. A forum is planned for those affected by the current plan to reallocate space in University Hall. Also, FAS is setting up a website which will house space requests, requests currently under review, etc. Oberem notes that a procedure for requesting space is needed within AA and he plans to convene a group (both faculty and administrators) to develop such a plan; the group would be chaired by the AVP-PAR. Trischman thanked Oberem for his attention to the Senate's space concerns.

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

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V. ASCSU report, Meilich The ASCSU's impression of the new chancellor, thus far, is positive. Cal State Online continues to be a major topic of discussion. There is considerable uncertainty about the Trustees' recent move to restrict B.A. degrees to 120 units. The March ASCSU plenary meeting will mark the 50th anniversary of the statewide senate. John Travis, Political Science/Humboldt and former president of the CFA, passed away earlier this month.

VI. Committee reports None.

VII. Discussion items

A. FAC Brakebill award policy revision Nava noted that the policy is being revised to eliminate reference to the now defunct Wang Family Excellence Award, and to allow Brakebill nominees more time to accept their nomination. Nava will ensure that changes to the timeline are clearly indicated.

Motion #3 M/S/P*

To forward this item to the March Senate meeting for a first reading once the timeline is clearly marked as to changes.

B. APC Maximum units--winter intersession policy Thompson noted that the policy is written as advisory to designers of the winter intersession rather than to students. EC members provided a significant amount of feedback for APC consideration.

C. GEC All-University writing requirement policy Carr noted that our current policy exists only in the form of catalog language; this policy will be the first campus policy on this topic. EC members discussed the fact that the writing requirement--designed to give our students an edge in the job market--is not handled consistently across campus, and that it may be time to reexamine our commitment to the requirement.

Motion #4 M/S/P* (McDaniel)

To forward this item to the March Senate meeting for a first reading, with the modification of a minimum requirement per individual student.

D. Library space changes Meulemans described plans to move the print reference materials currently located on the third floor into the collections space on the higher floors. This will free up room on the third floor for additional group study space. Funding for the renovation will come from salary savings and the Library's UARSC funds. Suggestions for features of the new group study space are welcomed.

VIII. EC members' concerns & announcements None.

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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