

MINUTES

Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SAN MARCOS
Wednesday, February 7, 2007
COM 206
11:45 – 12:30 p.m.

Members Present	Gilbert Valadez, Chair Mohammad Oskoorouchi, APC Shaoyi He, LATAC Moses Ochanji, SAC	Patty Seleski, Vice Chair Kathleen Watson, BLP David Chien, NEAC Olaf Hansen, UCC	Rosario Díaz-Greenberg, Secty. Marshall Whittlesey, GEC Camille Schuster, PAC Dick Montanari, ASCSU
Ex Officio Present	Janet Powell, CFA		
Guests	Sharon Elise, CoAS-Soc.; Gerardo Gonzalez, AVP-R/DGS		
Not present	Emily Cutrer, Provost; Kathy Hayden, FAC; Judy Papenhausen, Nursing		
Staff	Marcia Woolf, Academic Senate Coordinator		

I. Approval of Agenda

ADD: Chair's Report, Referrals to Committees: NEAC Academic Senate – 1 CoAS (Grimshaw Spr '07 replacement)

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

II. Approval of Minutes of 1/31/07

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

III. Chair's Report, Gilbert Valadez

A. Announcements: Valadez will attend the statewide senate chairs meeting tomorrow in Long Beach; topics will include the faculty contract and the Access to Excellence initiative.

B. Referrals to Committees: None.

IV. Secretary's Report, Rosario Diaz-Greenberg: No report.

V. Provost's Report, Emily Cutrer: Unable to attend.

VI. Statewide Senate Report: No report.

VII. CFA Report, Janet Powell: Report deferred to Senate.

VIII. Brief Committee Reports

BLP: A written report was provided. Seleski will ask Watson to bring the Academic Affairs budget which was provided at the strategic planning meeting to the EC.

GEC: A written report was provided.

NEAC: Chien requested that the EC discuss the status of Nursing at an upcoming meeting.

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

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SAC: A written report was provided.

IX. Old Business

A. Resolution in Support of Contract Settlement Valadez noted that other campuses in the system have been reporting passage of similar resolutions. It was agreed that the Senate will be asked to suspend the rules for a first reading. Concern was expressed that the language of the resolution was not strong enough, and it was suggested that a second, stronger resolution could be presented at a later date.

B. Proposal for an Institute for Social Justice and Equity Elise provided a table of contents for the proposal. EC members asked about:

(1) The nature of the relationship between the proposed institute and the new diversity office. Elise responded that that office is too new and a concrete relationship is not yet defined.

(2) How the proposers define "social justice." Elise responded that there was no specific definition at this time, but that it is hoped it would be very inclusive.

(3) The broad umbrella of this proposal and whether this could stifle development of more specific types of endeavors. Elise responded that this institute would not preclude others from developing an entity with a more specific focus. Gonzalez noted that future center proposals would not be stifled by this institute's existence.

(4) Whether representatives of sexual minorities were involved in the development of the proposal. Elise responded that it was widely advertised within the college and the Sociology department, and that sexual minorities have been represented.

(5) Use of the term "critical pedagogy" and whether this refers to the Frankfort School approach. Elise accepted a suggestion to change this term to "pedagogy of transformation."

(6) The requirement in the proposal that the University support the institute and ensure its continuance in the event of no outside funding. Elise noted that the proposers are passionate about the institute and want the University to provide financial stability to ensure its continuity. EC members were concerned that this request was extraordinary, and could result in unjust effects on other university entities.

(7) Where practice fits in, and whether this is redundant in view of other similar research functions on campus. Elise responded that there will be impact locally as well as internally.

(8) Whether a conference could meet some of the goals expressed.

Additional questions and comments are to be directed to Elise via e-mail. She requested a response to her February 6 memo to the EC. This item will be on the EC's February 21 agenda.

X. New Business

A. NEAC Recommendations EC members reviewed the list of recommendations attached to the Senate agenda.

Motion #3 M/S/P* (Seleski)

To approve the Recommendations as presented and forward them to today's Senate Consent Calendar.

B. UCC Course & Program Change Proposals EC members reviewed the list of course and program change proposals attached to the Senate agenda.

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Motion #4 M/S/P* (Seleski)
To approve the course and program change proposals as presented and forward them to today's Senate Consent Calendar.

C. UCC Master of Arts in Education – General Option

Motion #5 M/S/P* (Seleski)
To forward the new General Option for the Master of Arts in Education as presented and forward it to today's Senate agenda for a first reading with a request to suspend the rules.

D. Draft EC/AS Meeting Schedule for 07/08 This item was postponed to the next EC meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m.
Marcia Woolf, Academic Senate Coordinator

APPROVED: _____
Rosario Diaz-Greenberg, Secretary 05-07

DATE: _____

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