

MINUTES

Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY SAN MARCOS
Wednesday, February 21, 2007
KEL 5207
12 – 2 p.m.

Members Present	Gilbert Valadez, Chair Mohammad Oskoorouchi, APC Marshall Whittlesey, GEC Gabriela Sonntag, PAC	Patty Seleski, Vice Chair Kathleen Watson, BLP Shaoyi He, LATAAC Moses Ochanji, SAC	Rosario Díaz-Greenberg, Secty. Kathy Hayden, FAC David Chien, NEAC Olaf Hansen, UCC
Ex Officio Present	Emily Cutrer, Provost; Judy Papenhausen, Nursing; Janet Powell, CFA		
Guests	Melanie Chu, Library; Annette Daoud, CoE; Sharon Elise, CoAS; Anne René Elsbree, CoE; Gerardo Gonzalez, Int. AVP-R/DGS; Dilcie Perez, Int. Dir. SLL		
Not present	Dick Montanari, ASCSU		
Staff	Marcia Woolf, Academic Senate Coordinator		

I. Approval of Agenda

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

II. Approval of Minutes of 2/7/07

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

III. Chair's Report, Gilbert Valadez

A. Announcements: The WASC visit is scheduled for the week of March 5th, and the EC is invited to meet with three of the visiting team members on Thursday, March 8th, from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. (location to be announced) to discuss faculty governance. A reception for the team will be held Wednesday, March 7th from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Kellogg Library Reading Room. The exit briefing will take place Friday, March 9th, from 12:30 – 1:30 p.m.

B. Referrals to Committees: None.

IV. Secretary's Report, Rosario Diaz-Greenberg: The following Senate item has been forwarded to the administration:

EC Resolution concerning the Importance of Settling the Contract between the CSU and CFA

V. Provost's Report, Emily Cutrer: The Provosts Council met in San Francisco last week and discussed a paper concerning the place of research in the CSU. The paper, prepared by campus research officers, is accessible via the system's Access to Excellence website). A subcommittee of provosts will devise their own version of this report to include recommendations at the campus and system levels. Comments and suggestions concerning this topic were invited. A draft will be provided for review in mid-March.

VI. Statewide Senate Report: Unable to attend.

VII. CFA Report, Janet Powell: A strike vote has been authorized. Voting will likely be conducted on this campus the week of March 5-8. Some of the other campuses will be voting a week later. The voting will be conducted by the League of Women Voters and will be by paper ballot (preferred) or electronically. Only CFA members may vote.

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

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Aggregate voting results will not be released until all campuses have voted. Preparations for a strike are already underway on this campus. A ruling is expected soon on the Assigned Time grievance.

VIII. Brief Committee Reports

APC: The committee has revised eight policies; two of these will be presented to EC next week. Concerning the academic calendar, the committee has determined that the Monday-early-start scenario discussed earlier will not work since it violates a CSU requirement that faculty pre-instruction days begin no earlier than August 17.

FAC: The committee has been updating the Grant Proposal Seed Money policy and will be bringing it for EC review. Questions were raised about how application information about prior proposals is used by the reviewers, and whether funding is really made available to support fellowships.

FAC has investigated three years of MPP searches (03/04 – 05/06) and learned that:

- 62 MPP searches were performed
- 4 searches were internal and 58 external
- 13 of the 58 external searches were filled by internal candidates
- 24 were filled by males
- 21 were filled by females
- 8 diversity hires were made out of 45 successfully completed searches

EC members expressed concern about the types of roles filled by the diversity and internal candidates and whether information is available by division, since the original concern was about searches within Academic Affairs. Cutrer offered to bring this information for the Academic Affairs division.

LATAC: He reported that the committee is discussing accessibility issues proposed by Wayne Veres, and will be reviewing the Fair Use policy which may require revision to bring it up to date.

PAC: Three programs have requested and received funding for assessment activities: Visual & Performing Arts, Economics, and World Languages & Hispanic Literatures. The Economics review has been completed and external reviewers are invited this semester. The annual assessment report will be going out shortly. The committee is also working on revision of the program review guidelines to bring to Senate.

UCC: The committee has reviewed some changes to the Physics Minor and began discussion of the Masters in Social Work but has questions for the EC concerning this review, to be discussed under New Business today.

X. New Business (*taken out of order*)

A. Draft EC/AS Meeting Schedule for 07/08

Motion #3 M/S/P* (Oskoorouchi)
To approve the meeting schedule.

B. NEAC Election Rules & Guidelines Revision – Committee Replacements Chien noted that NEAC has not been following the written guidelines concerning replacements: the committee has been replacing members for just the term of their leave, rather than for the term of their committee seat. The committee proposes revising the guidelines to reflect current practice since short-term replacements are easier to recruit.

Motion #4 M/S/P* (NEAC)
To approve the revision as presented and forward to the Senate for a first reading in March.

C. NEAC Faculty Service & Voting While on Leave Policy Revision – PTC Chien pointed out that the language of the current CBA concerning is contradictory, but the parties have agreed to a correction. This proposed policy revision will clear up the contradiction in anticipation of that correction.

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Motion #5 M/S/P* (NEAC)

To approve the revision as presented and forward to the Senate for a first reading in March.

D. NEAC Status of Nursing – Faculty Representation Chien pointed out that language added to the Constitution & Bylaws to ensure representation for developing colleges no longer applies to the Nursing faculty, now part of a free-standing School of Nursing. It was noted that a School of Social Work is also being proposed. Cutrer suggested formation of a task force to consider this matter from an administrative viewpoint. The discussion was postponed due to a time-certain item.

IX. Old Business (*time certain*)

Proposal for an Institute for Social Justice and Equity The EC was joined by Chu, Daoud, Elise, Elsbree, Gonzalez, and Perez. Questions and answers included:

- 1) If not funded through the Strategic Funding Request process, what then? *This has not been discussed, but center would likely remain in planning stages.*
- 2) What is the relationship between Student Affairs and the academic aspect? *Student Affairs staff has been involved in the planning, and will be involved in engaging students and connecting students to faculty and student organizations to the community.*
- 3) Is there a source of funding anticipated other than the strategic funding pool? *Colleges have traditionally provided release time and other support for centers. While the current deans support the concept, no resource commitments have been made.*
- 4) What is the specific mission/vision for the institute? *About 40 people worked on the proposal and the writers attempted to include all ideas. This would be an institute for collaboration and connecting of existing projects.*
- 5) Could you start with a more modest approach and conduct some events, and in a year or two seek to form an institute to expand upon that good work, since at this stage it is unclear what specifically is being funded and the budget seems relatively excessive in the current climate? *We will be discussing budget options with BLP today. It will be difficult to find people to work on this without support. The funds requested for library resources are relatively modest.*

It was noted that all support the idea of a social justice and equity entity on campus. It was pointed out that the forming committee has encountered difficulty to date seeking funds since there is no specific campus entity within which to house it and which could champion its cause. It was suggested that the proposers seek support from the deans. It was noted that the demand for on-going university support was problematic. BLP will meet this afternoon with the proposers and prepare a report for the EC to discuss next week.

X. New Business (*resumed*)

The Status of Nursing and UCC/Committee Review of the Masters in Social Work items were postponed to the next EC meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 2 p.m.
Marcia Woolf, Academic Senate Coordinator

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

DATE: _____

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