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MINUTES OF
The Academic Senate
Tuesday, April 15, 2003
UU220, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

- I. Minutes: The minutes for the Senate Committee meetings of February 11, March 4, and March 1, 2003 were approved without change.
- II. Communications and Announcements:
- A. **Memo from West re “Recommendation from Summit Work Groups”**: This is referred to in more detail in the Academic Senate Chair report.
- B. **CSU Report on Faculty Recruitment Survey 2002**: can be viewed at <http://www.calstate.edu/HR/apindex.shtml>
- C. **Minutes of the Instructional Advisory Committee on Computing (IACC)**: can be viewed at <http://iacc.calpoly.edu>
- D. **Substance Use and Abuse Advisory Committee annual report for 2001-2002**: can be viewed at <http://www.calpoly.edu/~acadsen>
- E. **Change in Caucus Chair for the College of Business**: John Dobson from Finance will be replacing Zaf Iqbal, for the remaining of the year and Rosemary Wild is replacing Senator Ken Griggs.
- III. Reports:
- A. Academic Senate Chair: (Menon) CSU Budget Summit on 3/14/03 and Senate Chairs Meeting April 3, 2003: (a) The Chancellor convened a special day long CSU budget summit on March 14, 2003 at Long Beach, with participation by all Presidents, Campus Senate Chairs, ASI Presidents, Statewide Senate Executive Committee and Vice-Chancellors. The suggestions from that summit on possible strategies to deal with anticipated budget shortfall, are outlined in agenda packet on pages 9-13 as item II A. (b) The Campus Senate Chairs met on April 3, 2003 to discuss CSU issues of which the following are noteworthy:
- Vice Chancellor Spence indicated that all campuses have begun work on responding to graduation task force recommendations approved by the trustees. Each campus is required to submit an action plan on student success initiatives that lead to improved graduation rates. Surplus units from Community College transfers that are not applicable towards CSU graduation, is seen as one problem, with no easy solutions, given the lack of incentives at Community Colleges for CSU needs, versus filling their many vocational courses. Spence also commented on the 180 unit minimum for CSU degrees, as outlined in his March 21 memo to Provosts (see page 19 of your agenda packet) and stressed again that he is not expecting high unit programs to be reduced to 180 units, but rather he wants to see reasoned justification for the REQUIRED unit totals for programs above 180 units, with some attempts to lower the unit count whenever possible, without sacrificing quality. He also pointed out, that he has streamlined Program Review Reporting requirements from campuses, whereby only a Summary of Outcomes and Assessments is required in his report to trustees on program reviews completed each year.
 - CSU Survey: the Project Director Don Chu, CSU Chico, presented “Roles and Responsibilities of Department Chairs,” The executive summary of the CSU-wide results is attached for your information or at The Senate Office will send copies of the CP_SLO results to Provost, College Deans and Kent Morrison (IDHC Chair) for follow on discussion of the findings among Cal Poly

Deans and Department Chairs. The CSU wide results and report can be viewed at <http://www.geolog.com/FAC/ChairsTF.htm>

(c) CSU Responses to the State Audit on CMS was presented by CSU Long Beach VP of Admin & Finance William Griffith, with much heated discussion that followed. Anyone wanting to view the WebCast of the April 3rd State Capitol Legislative Hearing of the CMS Audit report including CSU responses from Chancellor Reed & VC Richard West to legislators, may do so by following these instructions:

1. Point your browser to <http://www.calchannel.com/>
2. Click on "WEBCAST"
3. Under "Web Archive:", choose April 2003
4. In the April 3 box, click on "Watch Now."
5. The Joint Legislative Audit Committee hearing begins 2 hours and 10 minutes after the start of the streaming video. You can drag the control bar of the RealOne Player to the right spot.

B. President's Office: None.

C. Provost's Office: (Zingg) The budget summit work group document, referred to by Menon, identifies a number of items related to resolutions under consideration today. www.academics.calpoly.edu/diversity contains a comprehensive report on diversity initiatives and activities that respond to the last senate resolution that called for a report on such matters. It's expected that the May budget revise may include additional reductions, but it's anyone's guess as to the amount and who will experience the cuts. Linda Dalton on Student Housing North Project: A workshop focusing on "What do we envision as a 21st century residential learning community" will be held this Friday in UU220 from 2-4pm. This workshop is co-sponsored by Faculty Affairs, Student Affairs, and Facilities Planning. Student Affairs will be presenting some of their experience with living and learning in North Mountain Dorms as part of the basis to think of ideas for the future. Three or four additional topical workshops will be scheduled and will focus on architectural design, circulation and transportation, and environment questions. Several other campus committees are currently working on many aspects of this project.

D. Statewide Senators: (Menon) in his CSU Senator role, participated in the April 9, 2003 legislative lobbying day at State Capitol, Sacramento. Discussions were held with many Senators and Assembly members to seek their continued support and sustain CSU funding levels at least at the levels requested by the Governor in his January budget proposal. Menon had encouraging discussions with Senator Charles Poochigian (Appropriations), Senator Dede Alpert (Education), and CP_SLO Alumnus Senator Bruce McPherson (Budget). (Hood) At a Statewide Academic Senate meeting, the major concerns were the budget and CMS and their future implications. The worse case scenario is that the legislators will make good on some of their promises to take over some of the CSU Administration and put it in Sacramento. The Vice Chancellor for human resources mentioned that there will be every attempt to have a "golden handshake" of some type but it depends on the unions agreeing.

F. CFA Campus President: (Foroohar) participated in a statewide delegate assembly in Sacramento on April 5 and 6, where the main item of business was new election for CFA officers. Susan Meisenhelder, the current president stepped down after two terms. John Travis, CFA Chapter President at Humboldt, was elected as well as a new Board and a new group of officer. The first round of bargaining took place on March 24, in Los Angeles; the second round is scheduled for April 17 and 18 in Sacramento. In regards to the golden handshake, CFA wants to make sure that tenure track faculty replaces those faculty retiring under this plan. CFA will have two days for lobbying in Sacramento on April 29 and 30 and travel arrangements will be made for anyone who wishes to participate. A round of CMS hearings took place in Sacramento on April 2, from that a 5-hour videotape is available. A forum on "Academic Freedom and Electronic Media", organized due to high amount of discussion on campus on this issue, was held on April 7.

G. ASI Representatives: None.

H. Other: None.

IV. Consent Agenda: **Resolution in Support of the Kindergarten-University Public Education facilities Bond Act of 2004:** (Menon) Proposition 47, for which we extended our support, was the first of a three-part sequence. This second phase is equally as important as the first, so a call went to all Academic Senates

asking their campus for support. Since there was no further discussion or questions, this resolution was accepted by acclamation.

V. Business Item(s):

- A. Election of 2003-2004 Academic Senate Chair:** Vice-Chair Dingus conducted the election. No additional nominations were received from the floor, therefore an election was held and Senator George Lewis was elected Chair of the Academic Senate for 2003-2004.
- B. Election of 2003-2004 Academic Senate Vice Chair:** Vice-Chair Dingus conducted the election. No additional nominations were received from the floor; therefore, Susan Elrod was elected Vice-Chair of the Academic Senate for 2003-2004 by acclamation. According to the Academic Senate Constitution and Bylaws the Chair and Vice Chair must be from different schools therefore, it was decided to set aside the bylaws and consider this a one-time exception for the 03-04 academic year only. M/S/P to set aside bylaws.
- C. Resolution on Senior Project:** Breitenbach, chair of the Instruction Committee, second reading. This resolution is geared for faculty advocacy and provides them with principles to be adopted when advising senior project students.
Friendly amendment from Hannings on the last RESOLVED: The Provost will ensure tThat all colleges and department...otherwise.
Amendment by Hampsey: Modify the second RESOLVED clause as follow:
4. Faculty Advisors must offer regularly scheduled meetings for their senior project students where specific timelines/outcomes will be defined. ~~Faculty Advisors should discourage students from taking on their senior projects that are too large in scope.~~
5. ~~Faculty advisors must use completion contracts (e.g. a timeline of what must be done and when) for senior projects.~~
6. ~~Report in Progress grades (RP) should not be assigned for the terminal (final) quarter of senior project. Although the use of an "I" grade is discouraged, if one is assigned (in accordance with the catalog definition), an "I" contract must be completed between the senior project advisor and the student; and be it further~~
M/S/P to approve the amendment.
M/S/P to approve resolution as amended.
- D. Resolution on 180 Quarter Units for Baccalaureate Degree Programs:** Hannings, chair of the Curriculum Committee. This resolution clarifies the criteria by which one can determine if a program is in excess of 180 units. The criteria essentially states that each program can create learning objectives, that will determine what courses are taught, and how many units it has. Discussions will continue at the next Academic Senate meeting on May 6, 2003. {NOTE: Subsequently, Committee Chair Hannings has informed us that after follow-on discussions by his committee, they have decided to withdraw this resolution.}
- E. Resolution on Implementation of a Realistic Tuition and Fee Rate Structure for Higher Education:** Due to lack of time, this resolution will be discussed at the next Academic Senate meeting.
- F. Resolution on Budget Cuts:** Due to lack of time, this resolution will be discussed at the next Academic Senate meeting.

VI. Discussion Item(s): None.

VII. Meeting recessed at 5:00 pm.

Submitted by,

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