
Absent: Murray, Taylor

I. CALL TO ORDER
Chair Bedell called the meeting to order at 11:30 AM.
Meeting was opened with a moment of silence in memory of two colleagues who have recently passed:
   - Roger Vaughn, Professor Emeritus – Music, College of Arts
   - Craig Rusch, Management Faculty – Mihaylo College of Business & Economics

II. URGENT BUSINESS
None.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS
3.1 (Walker) Pointed out that non-electric cars are being parked in spaces marked for electronic cars only. Cars should be ticketed.
3.2 (Faust) Sabbatical awards have been made, letters sent to 45 recipients of one-semester sabbaticals and 7 full year sabbatical recipients; however, funding is insufficient to award all recommended sabbatical proposals by the Professional Leaves Committee. Many of these non-funded applicants have requested difference in pay leaves, which have been awarded. A decision was made by Acting VPAA Murray to award some of the funded sabbaticals in AY 2013-2014 (instead of in 2012-2013) due to a large number of applicants within the same department.
Q/A: The answer to a question whether these rollovers would count against next year’s sabbatical proposals will depend on Presidential decision and allocation allotments.
Q/A: In addition, 16 proposals were recommended but not funded; 4 proposals were not recommended.
3.3 (Canchola)
   • ASI recently launched “Titan Readership Program”, which brings three newspapers to campus free-of-charge to students. Newspapers are found in all TSU buildings: 1) USA Today, 2) New York Times, 3) OC Register, along with Daily Titan. Faculty were asked to encourage their students to utilize these publications, and, perhaps, use this opportunity for class discussion of current events.
   • Valentine cards were passed around for signature and will be sent as an advocacy campaign in conjunction with the campus Office of Government Relations. I Heart California cards will be delivered to Governor Brown on Valentine’s Day indicating CSU is the heart of California, and higher education deserves more funding.
3.4 (Boyum) President Hagan will be sending an invitation to the campus community for an all-day Symposium on February 22. It will be held at the Marriott entitled and “Appraising Futures, Understanding Costs: Envisioning the New Normal in Higher Education”.
3.5 (Walicki) Gabriela Montero, the Venezuelan internationally acclaimed pianist will be at Meng Hall Sunday, February 12, 2012, 4:00 PM.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
4.1 ASD 12-11 Academic Senate Minutes – 1-26-12 (Draft)
M/S/P (Pasternack/Walk) Minutes were approved with change of location to PLN-130.
V. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS [times approximate]

11:45 AM

Introduction: Willie J. Hagan
Interim President – Cal State Fullerton

Chair Bedell introduced Interim President Hagan who greeted the body with his “thoughts”. The budget is not about the cuts but more about the things we want to retain to offer a quality education – supporting both students and faculty. President Designee Garcia is being briefed all along the way, so when her appointment begins on June 1st, she will know exactly what has taken place over this 4-month period.

Q/A Vice Presidential Searches are moving forward – VPAA and VPSA. Assurance was given that search committees will follow UPS.

Q/A All remaining ASDs on “President’s Desk” will be followed-up promptly.

This topic will be rescheduled for a future date.

12:15 PM

Topic: Interlibrary Loan - $25 Fee for Far Overdue Books – 1 Year Assessment of Policy
Presenter: Richard Pollard – University Librarian [per 11-18-10 A.S. Approved Minutes]

12:30 PM

Topic: ASD 11-180 Proposed CSUF Smoking Policy (Draft)
Discussants: Executive Committee

Chair Bedell gave background on the long-awaited revisions to this document that is not the property of the Academic Senate. Feedback and comments were sought at two open hearings in December, both of which had low attendance. Executive Committee will continue to debate possible revisions to document. Dr. Walker led discussions at open hearings, and briefed the body on possible compromises heard at that time. Most people wanted a total ban, not understanding why the rights of a smoker supersede the rights of others to be healthy. Designated smoking areas on campus would be a compromise, but enforcement would be very difficult. It was suggested that while we debate, we need data/information and research on implementation, effectiveness of bans, education, culture from other campuses and institutions. We need to find the cheapest way to deal with smoking issues, both health and litter. Our goal should be success in whatever policy we choose. Senators Yang and Hickok will forward documents regarding smoking for review prior to our next meeting.

A straw poll was taken by a show of hands prior to adjournment in order to guide the Executive Committee on three options: 1) maintain present policy; 2) proposed policy submitted with agenda; 3) total ban. Approximately 75-80% favor a total ban, and no one expressed support for either options 1 or 2.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

M/S/P (Guerin/Walicki) Approved.

6.1 ASD 12-17 Proposed Revision to UPS 100.001 Academic Senate Bylaws
BL 96-2 re Student Engagement and Success [Source: SALC]
Student Academic Life Committee functions will be revised to add “f” “Review student engagement research results, to recommend actions, and to monitor the impact of campus strategic initiatives to promote student engagement and success.”

VII. CHAIR’S REPORT [Chair Bedell sent report prior to this meeting]

At its meeting of January 26th, Dr. Mildred Garcia visited the Academic Senate for her introduction to our group and the University family. She made remarks and described her background and experiences. I think it is fair to say we were very impressed with her enthusiasm, her commitment to student success and access, and her reinforcement of CSUF’s commitment to quality instruction, creativity and scholarship, as well as the importance of service to the campus’s mission. She will be joining us sometime after June 1st, (Dr. Garcia will be visiting our Irvine campus tomorrow, the 9th of February).

Our introductory session of The Academic Senate Reads is next Thursday, the 16th at 11:30 AM in the Academic Senate Chambers of the Bookstore. STATE OF WONDER will be discussed by Valerie Orleans and Bob Voeks, the former being an avid reader and the latter an Amazonian researcher and scholar. PLEASE try to attend even if you have not read the book. It is one of the best I have read in the last 20 years, and you’ll get to visit about the context of a story as well as the story itself.
At our Academic Senate meeting tomorrow, February 9th, on the agenda, we have Dr. Hagan’s “Inaugural Words”; a proposed policy on faculty office hours, and an open session on a proposed smoking policy. You should have received a complete and revised agenda this morning.

Soon, faculty will be receiving an online Committee Interest Form. We have to “person” over 100 committee and board slots each year. This form is essential for us, that is, the Executive Committee and the Academic Senate, to ensure College representation. It is the “pathway” to University service. PLEASE review it and consider submitting your name for consideration. The form will have links to the opportunities for participation and descriptions of the areas each Committee or Board covers.

Because the composition of the Academic Senate has grown with the addition of 2 full time staff representatives, and the interest by the gallery in our business has also increased, your Executive Committee has been discussing alternate venues. Because of logistics, we are staying in the Academic Senate Chambers for the remainder of this year. We still are finalizing arrangements for next year since we now have difficulty seating all members in our present venue, let alone accommodate a gallery in a welcoming way.

VIII. STATEWIDE ACADEMIC SENATE REPORT
No report.

IX. NEW BUSINESS – Items will be moved to next agenda.

9.1 ASD 12-16 Resolution in Support of ASI Resolution re Student Protests, [Dated 11-29-11]
9.2 ASD 09-47 rev. 11-18-11 Proposed New UPS xxx Faculty Office Hours [Source: FAC]

10 ADJOURNMENT
Meeting adjourned at 1:05 PM.