



**ACADEMIC SENATE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 7, 2012**

Approved 2-21-12

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

MH-141

Present: Bedell, Guerin, Pasternack, Randall, Stambough, Walicki, Walk, Walker

Absent: Dabirian, Fidalgo

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bedell called the meeting to order at 11:30 AM.

II. URGENT BUSINESS

2.1 Faculty name is needed for Humanities on Graduate Education Committee. Names were discussed.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

3.1 (Walker) A faculty member from Humanities will be needed on Graduate Education Com to replace a faculty member on leave. Humanities faculty names were discussed.

3.2 (Bedell) Senator Alexandro Gradilla has requested the University consider hosting a forum to generate ideas on leadership changes and transitions on a national level and focus on stressors on higher education. Invite national speakers who deal with these national trends for an outcome to develop new strategies to improve the campus climate for students, staff, faculty, alums and the community. This could happen with a modest budget from monies contributed from various divisions and colleges. This concept would be different from the upcoming 2-22-12 *Symposium on the Costs, and the Future, of Higher Education* planned for 250 people at the Marriott Hotel. Interim President Hagan will convene all day events. Discussion to continue next Executive Committee meeting.

3.3 There will be an all day forum held at the Marriott 2-22-12 sponsored by President Hagan. It was unclear who the intended audience will be for this retreat. Details to follow.

3.4 An additional question will be added to the list for President Hagan to ask Chancellor Reed.

- ✓ How can we become better advocates for CSU in Sacramento to promote image and mission of the CSU?

3.5 Steve Walk volunteered to replace Amir Dabirian on the Library Space Task Force Committee.

- ✓ (Randall) gave a report on this committee that has met 4 times to date. They have listed space available and various options to consider. Target date to present findings to Academic Senate is sometime in April.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4.1 EC M Minutes (Draft) 1-31-12 - Approved as submitted.

V. CHAIR'S REPORT (Bedell)

- ✓ Dr. Garcia will be at Irvine Campus tomorrow.
- ✓ We have begun discussions (see 9.2) on strengthening faculty voice on the Academic Senate.

VI. STAFF REPORT

Special Election for Administration constituency is moving forward. eVoting will take place April 22-25, 2012.

VII. LIAISON REPORTS

ASI Committee [Bedell for Dabirian] T, 1-31-12 + 2-7-12 1:30 – 3:30 PM, TSU

The meetings focused on reports from groups they have funded, e.g., the Arboretum. In addition, they heard various College IC reports which documented such things as the election of officers, student activities funded with their allocation, etc. They appointed students to various projects, e.g., Concert Series. Athletic Director Quinn reported that the athletics' budget is very tight, and the rising costs of tuition have not been met by rising allocations to cover all increases. Sponsorships are vital and many are dedicated to baseball. The gym

"is dirty, old, and in need of major repair". Homecoming (Feb 4-5) was reported by all to be a great success. Consultants reported that they have begun preliminary discussions with focus groups and others regarding TSU expansion and survey thousands to see what they would like in a New/refreshed building. Already, there have been calls for more glass so life in the building can be seen as well as some wanting a more impressive entryway. Some orientations to campus are in Spanish for the parents. Student leadership is pushing and putting more and more first year students into leadership positions to get them involved and hopefully this will lead to a long term campus involvement. The ASI is revising their election bylaws and as can be the case with bylaws, it is not easy or fast. We score higher on some key measures of students in need of mental health services. (The Campus Fee Committee recently approved a fee for such services and the staff now has to "shop it around" for constituency support). N.B. we have ½ of a psychiatrist position for our total student body. They had a proposed Resolution on smoking which provided the science, reported data indicating that about 28%, a minority, of the respondents wanted smoking in designated areas and then called for smoking in designated areas. This Resolution was withdrawn. Its internal inconsistency was noted.

Faculty Affairs Committee [Bedell] F, 2-3-12 12:00 – 2:30 PM, MH-166 **No report**

General Education Committee [Fidalgo] F, 2-3-12 2:00 – 4:00 PM, MH-141 **No report**

Graduate Education Committee [Walker] F, 2-3-12 2:00 – 4:00 PM, KHS-221

Several important items were discussed. Senate Executive should locate a replacement for April Bullock ASAP as she is on leave for the rest of this semester. The committee discussed the program discontinuance document, sustainability, the graduate writing requirement and several courses. The agenda for the semester was discussed and the committee felt they could accomplish all agenda items. BS/MS Proposal for Computer Engineering. Briefing was done to committee. Strong opposition within college.

Information Technology Committee [Randall] F, 2-3-12, 10:00-11:00 AM, PLS-299

Lynda Randall expressed a concern about the sufficient of wireless access for the dorms and dorm classrooms, and Amir Dabirian responded that IT would look into this issue. The use of smart devices has grown exponentially, even since Christmas, and that is placing greater demand on wireless networks. IT is installing 100 new access points.

IT is embarking on a shift from file servers to Dropbox solutions. We are putting out an RFP for a campus contract for unlimited disk space in a Dropbox.

We will use the free version of Dropbox for all of the students, with accounts automatically created and integration to Moodle. March 1 is the anticipated date for a pilot deployment.

IT is moving toward a common support and licensing model for student laptops. This would included negotiated software licensing and hardware and software support.

There is a trend of students using mobile phones and devices to do their work on campus as opposed to carrying their laptops/.

We are now in the third quarter of implementing Titanium, becoming more intensive in getting faculty to respond in moving over content from Blackboard. All faculty will be asked to respond to an email to identify courses to migrate, and those who don't respond will get a phone call. There is no quiz migration tool, but they are developing one.

September 28 and 29, IT is sponsoring THATCamp, the Humanities and Technology Camp.

Planning, Resource & Budget Committee [Dabirian for Walicki] F, 2-3-12, 12:30-2:30 PM, PLS-299 **No report**

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 8.1 Resolution (draft) in Support of Student Demonstrations (follow-up from A.S. 12-15-11)
M/S (Walker/Stambough) Moved resolution (crafted by Walker) forward to Academic Senate 2-23-12.
- 8.2 PAB/Executive Committee Retreat – Spring 2012
A date is being negotiated, and agenda topics are needed. Suggested topic:
 - ✓ High impact practices and retention of underrepresented students.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- 9.1 Proposed Bylaw Revision –BL 96-2 re Student Engagement and Success [Source: SALC]
There was unanimous agreement to add this item under consent calendar. A revised agenda will be distributed for 2-9-12.
- 9.2 Strengthen Faculty Voice on Academic Senate (follow-up from A.S. 12-15-11)
There was discussion on the structure of the Academic Senate, the purpose of at-large seats, and historical reasons why at-large vacancies are not replaced until the following spring All University Elections. Administration and Student Affairs constituents have an advantage in running for the at-large seats with name recognition. Currently, there are no restrictions on the number of Administrators who can run for an at-large seat. An observation was made that Administration constituents may skew statements-of-opinion outcomes from faculty answers. Possible steps whether to revise:
- A query will be sent to former Academic Senate chairs and select faculty involved in governance through the years to ask questions.
 - Refer questions and concerns to Constitution Committee.
 - Gather data for numbers in constituencies over past 20 years.
- 9.3 General Committee Nominations – Committees of Faculty Personnel, Faculty Research, Professional Leaves
The Committee Interest Survey/Database is being updated and should be distributed next week to faculty for their input. This can serve as a guide for tenured faculty who may be interested in serving as “Senate Nominee” to General Committees for the All University Elections in May. An email will be sent to Deans asking that their respective department chairs forward names of tenured faculty for consideration to serve.
A suggestion was made that CFA be consulted regarding a possible change to the A.S. Constitution and/or Bylaws whereby these three General Committee college representatives would be elected in the All University Elections; however, when a vacancy occurs during the year, a special election would not be needed if the Executive Committee could choose a replacement with Academic Senate approval. (Pasternack) asked that faculty serving on every committee be informed when their term ends. It will remind faculty of their ongoing committee service OR if they need to submit a committee interest form.
- 9.4 Statements of Opinion for All University Elections, Spring 2012 [BL 05-1 states to A.S. 3-20-12]
A topic discussed was the misconceptions of funding sources for athletics programs at CSUF. Senator Walk agreed to lead a discussion at an Academic Senate meeting in the near future regarding awareness of our Athletics Programs within a strategic plan, the difference between athletics and kinesiology, management of conference sports, and comparisons within the CSU.

Items will be moved to next Executive Committee agenda.

VIII UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 8.2 Proposed Sustainability Additions to Standing Committee Functions

IX NEW BUSINESS

- 9.5 [UPS 100.610](#) Program Discontinuance [7-7-06]
- 9.6 [UPS 108.000](#) Visiting Scholars & Other Formal Delegations of Visitors from Abroad: Procedures for Invitations & Consideration for Hosting [Source: IEC]
- 9.7 GE Committee – Assessment and Recertification, Etc. [A.S. TC 10-13-11: GE Update]
- 9.8 Streamlining RTP Process
- 9.9 Update Mission and Goals
- 9.10 Statement on Professional Ethics

X. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 1:10 PM.