## Senate Executive Committee Minutes Tuesday, November 27th, 2012 Provost's Conference Room, Bell Tower West 2185 2:30 p.m.

Attendance: Mary Adler, Simone Aloisio, Frank Barajas, Nancy Deans, Therese Eyermann, Jeanne Grier, Elizabeth Hartung, Antonio Jiménez- Jiménez, James Meriwether, Claudio Paiva.

## I. Approval of the Agenda

Agenda was approved. N. Deans asked as to student evaluations from faculty affairs. Chair Meriwether updated that this item was sent back to Faculty Affairs, who is meeting tomorrow 11/28/12. Chair reminded everyone that- as described at last Senate meeting- current evaluation process continues through Spring 2013 semester as approved by President.

# II. Approval of Minutes of November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2012

Approved.

## **III.** Chair Report/Announcements

Chair Meriwether noted that an email went out from Diana Guerin with a call for nominations for the Faculty trustee on the CSU Board of Trustees. Nominations are open through January. Chair mentioned our incumbent faculty trustee Bernadette Cheyne.

Chair Meriwether noted that half of voting clickers should arrive by Tuesday's Senate meeting. Latecomers to meeting may need to vote by hand. Also, voting is in progress regarding clause on Academic Freedom for ASCSU, and will end on 11/30.

#### IV. Second Reading Items

#### 1. SP 12-02 Forgiveness of Previously Earned Grade Policy

Chair Meriwether sent around minor changes based on comments and concerns. Item will move forward to Senate.

#### 2. BA in Global Studies Short Form

Nothing has been changed from previous viewing. Form will move forward.

#### 3. M.A. in Digitally Integrated Media Short Form

Many questions were raised at previous Senate meeting on 11/06/12. At the special meeting (see next item) none of the proposers were in attendance to answer those questions.

### 4. Academic Master Plan for 2012-13

Chair Meriwether reported that a special meeting to discuss the AMP took place on 11/26. Academic Planning committee may ask for a substitute AMP, but final AMP must be submitted by 1/15. S. Aloisio suggested that Academic Planning committee discussions should take place further in advance in order to allow sufficient time for feedback.

F. Barajas commented that English M.A. was moved up a year. Committee voiced a general question: Do we want to add more programs, or strengthen what we already have? J. Grier commented that the form could use some revisions including comprehensive background information, such as the amount of time proposed degrees have been on the AMP.

Chair mentioned that the AMP is generally taken as a roadmap & level of commitment. T. Eyermann gave background on the AMP and mentioned that AMP's minus the FTE's goes to the BOT; it is also listed on their agenda for the Board meeting in March. S. Aloisio asked how the BOT uses AMP from the various campuses. T. Eyermann replied that the BOT have used AMPs in larger discussions regarding duplication of programs.

- J. Grier asked- who makes the decision on AMP? M. Adler replied that the Academic Planning Committee (APC) makes decisions, but are only advisory to President Rush. J. Grier asked: what are roles & responsibility of the Academic Planning committee? Chair replied that it is not a Senate Committee, while F. Barajas mentioned the Senate policy (SP 05-04) that defines roles, responsibilities, and members of the APC.
- C. Paiva suggested having an APC committee member come talk to Senate, and that perhaps a list of questions or criteria should be sent around. Committee was in general agreement, and Chair will speak with the Chair(s) of APC. Item goes on to second reading at Senate.

#### VI. First Reading Items

- 1. Proposed Revisions to By-Laws (By-Laws Task Force)
- J. Grier pointed out that the line on Article 8 Election Procedures on University-wide elections should have been removed.
- B. Hartung asked if the by-laws revisions should be a consent calendar item. Chair said that it could be a consent calendar item if Senate Exec recommends. Brief discussion, with general agreement that it should be a first/second reading item.

Chair also asked for suggestions about process for going over By-laws, i.e. in sections? The By-laws Task force had no recommendation. Item will proceed as first reading item.

#### 2. Resolution to Define Student Research (SRSC)

- F. Barajas: What is need for & implication of this resolution? M. Adler suggested background section on our resolution template. General discussion of the need for this resolution, and for whether there is a need to define a term.
- M. Adler would like to know more about goals rather than outcomes of activities, or include "one or more of the following" wording for the resolution's bullet points.

Chair Meriwether will send overall comments to SRSC.

#### VII. New Business

#### 1. Cal State Online

Chair Meriwether regularly receives information sent to the Chair of the Academic Senate of CI, and asked for guidance on how to best decide on whether and how to distribute such information. A case in point is the information on Cal State Online.

- J. Grier asked as to whom is the appropriate point person at CI. Committee confirmed that G. Berg sits on the Cal State Online committee, while it is believed that G. Kinsey is the designated lead person. J. Grier asked if this document indicates that different CSU's are competing for the same pool of resources since two or more institutions are offering the same on-line programs.
- N. Deans said Cal State Online was originally an agenda item for Senate meeting 10/23. Ruth Claire Black was originally asked to come to Senate meeting on 10/23. That presentation was cancelled. S. Aloisio and J. Grier suggested that possibly Gary Kinsey/Michael Berman could come and speak to the Senate.
- N. Deans commented that lecturers especially are concerned about the impact to their positions of online programs. Chair pointed out that this issue returns to the previously voiced question of whether there is need for a CI venue for larger discussion(s).

Chair will ask about a possible Academic-Senate Sponsored Town Hall and get a time certain for next Senate meeting in Spring.

## VIII. Adjourn

3:46pm