

Academic Senate Meeting

December 6, 2011

Minutes

Attendance

Virgil Adams, Jose Alamillo, Simone Aloisio, Julia Balén, Terry Ballman, A.J. Bieszczad, Geoffrey Buhl, Catherine Burriss, Karen Carey, Minder Chen, Renny Christopher, Stephen Clark, Christopher Cogan, Matt Cook, Bill Cordeiro, Manuel Correia, Nancy Deans, Colleen Delaney-Rivera, Amy Denton, Beatrice de Oca, Therese Eyer mann, Marie Francois, Nancy Gill, Jeanne Grier, Andrea Grove, Ivona Grzegorzcyk, Phil Hampton, Elizabeth Hartung, Deb Hoffman, Karen Jensen, Gary Kinsey, Brad Monsma, Andrew Morris, Dawn Newman, Joan Peters, Elizabeth Quintero, Don Rodriguez, Peter Smith, Judy Swanson, Jane Sweetland, Elnora Tayag, Kaia Tollefson, Ysabel Trinidad, Billy Wagner, Dan Wakelee, Ching-Hua Wang, Cindy Wyels.

Approval of Agenda

-m/s, V. Adams, P. Smith

Approval of Minutes of November 15, 2011

-m/s, C. Delaney-Rivera, J. Grier.

-C. Burriss asked that her name be added to the attendance list for that meeting.

ACCESO-Phil Hampton, Don Rodriguez, Cindy Wyels.

-P. Hampton, Project Director for HSI Stem Grant, and Cindy Wyles, Co-director for Student Success, and Don Rodriguez, Co-director for Instructional Research.

-These programs will be located in El Dorado Hall which will be shared with Project Vista.

-C. Wyels reported on student success practices in the STEM Gateway Classes which include Best Practices, Summer Scholars Program, STEM tutors and Peer mentoring.

-D. Rodriguez reported on the Community Engagement Faculty Fellow Program, Summer Research Institute and the Student Research Assistant positions that will be available.

There will be brown bags scheduled to discuss in more detail the following programs:

- STEM Pipeline/Outreach Activities
- STEM Articulation
- STEAM Outreach Specialists
- STEM Diversity Series
- STEM Outreach to K-12 and Educational Partner Campuses

Report from the Senate Chair

-Congratulations to Simone Aloisio for being elected to serve as the new Statewide Senator.

Report from the Provost

-T. Eyer mann introduced Ysabel Trinidad, the new Vice President for Finance & Administration. She comes to us from the University of Washington Tacoma where she served as the Vice Chancellor for Administrative Services.

- Provost Neuman announced that funds had been added to support interdisciplinary teaching projects in direct response to the Resolution previously passed by the Senate.
- The Office of Research and Sponsored Projects will now be known as Research and Sponsored Projects. This area will be reorganized and she will be using the report submitted to her by the committee chaired by Gary Berg, thank you to Gary for the great report.

Report from Statewide Senators

- C. Wang attended her first Statewide Senate meeting in November where they proposed and passed a lot of resolutions, she briefly reviewed some of them.

Report from CFA President

- S. Kelly reported on strike actions held at CSU East Bay and Dominguez Hills on November 17th and 18th. The bargaining team met with the Chancellor's Office team and they wanted to add an additional item which was to remove all caps on parking fees so impass has been declared and may now move to mediation.

Special Report from Search Coordinating Committee

- J. Grier reported that in response to speeding up the hiring process, DSC timelines have been moved forward and feedback is due by February 10th and there will be a special tenure track meeting held on February 15th with recommendations made by the end of that day.

Consent Agenda

SP 11-02 Reassignment of Faculty Policy (Revisions of SP 10-01)

- Chair Meriwether gave a brief history of the policy indicating the President had requested some clarification on the initial policy and a few grammatical changes. The Senate Executive committee did not feel they were substantive changes and could therefore be added as a Consent item. Are there any objections?

There were no objections so it will be forwarded to the President for his signature.

First Reading Item

SP 11-03 BS Health Science Long Form

- m/s, J. Balén, I. Grzegorzcyk.
- C. Wang reviewed the changes to the program which included the degree program changing from self-support to state side. The start date has also been changed to Fall 2013 and the titles of two of the faculty members were also changed due to promotions.
- C. Wyels expressed concern that the faculty initially tied to the program are now working on other projects, is this still manageable? C. Wang replied that many of the courses are already in existence. C. Wyels is still concerned about the 10 new courses required both the first and second year.
- I. Grzegorzcyk asked if it had already been approved by the Chancellor's Office as a state support program? C. Wang replied it had been previously approved in 2008.
- Provost Neuman reminded everyone that we have recently changed to an FTE implementation plan so this implementation will depend on FTE and resources.

SR 11-04 Resolution in Support of the American Institutions Requirement

- Chair Meriwether stepped aside for this resolution, it was presented by Vice Chair C. Wyels.
- m/s- S. Kelly, M. Francois.
- S. Frisch gave a brief background of the Resolution which is in response to SB 1440. We would like to be a campus that requires students to take the American Institutions, M. Francois added that other universities have passed similar resolutions.
- I. Grzegorzcyk spoke on behalf of high unit majors, saying everyone is being pushed to have majors under 120 units but there are other requirements they have to include so she feels these requirements should be removed for the higher degree majors. She adds that no matter what the Resolution says, the Chancellor Office decision is what matters.
- F. Barajas reminds everyone that this was discussed and decided in our first year of existence.
- A. Denton spoke on behalf of another high unit major in support of the Resolution. She feels it is important and would prefer to have one or two less Biology classes because this is important.
- J. Sweetland reminded everyone that SB 1440 must be implemented this Fall and we will need to have roadmaps for these students by then.
- K. Tollefson speaks in strong favor of this Resolution because she believes civic education is important and she believes the Trustees passed their resolution during the summer on purpose
- A. J. Bieszczad supports I. Grzegorzcyk's statement because he feels much of this material should be covered in high school. He has a problem with taking 10% of 60 units to devote to areas outside of math and science, he feels it will make students less employable.
- N. Deans motioned to end discussion.

Vote was taken on whether or not to end discussion:

Yes: 26

No: 7

Abstain: 2

Discussion ended.

- B. Hartung motioned to move it to a second reading, seconded by V. Adams.

Vote to move Resolution to a second reading taken:

Yes: 27

No: 6

Abstain: 4

Resolution moved to a second Reading.

- I. Grzegorzcyk asked the Parliamentarian to check on the legitimacy of this.
- later, after discussion by the parliamentarian and others, the decision was made that this item could be moved to a Second Reading at this time, but that given the length of the meeting it would be a second reading item at the next Senate meeting.

Second Reading Item

SP 11-01 Academic Master Plan, 2012-13

- T. Ballman added two friendly amendments to the AMP; first to move MPA forward to 4000 FTES (2013), second is to list BS in Computer Engineering at 5000 FTES (2016).

-A motion to call the question was made and a hand vote was taken:

Yes: Unanimous

-Friendly amendments were accepted and passed.

-J. Balén made a motion to change the name of *Social Justice Program* to *Freedom and Justice Studies*, seconded by M. Francois. J. Balén read aloud documents in support of the name change.

-B. de Oca requested a definition of *Freedom Studies*.

-M. Francois responded with a historical background of the term *Freedom* and her reasoning on the philosophy of why the name fits here.

-F. Barajas expressed his support for the name change. He added that the faculty who created the program have insight and history about the reason for the name and feels we should respect their decision.

-B. Cordeiro spoke as Co-chair of the committee indicating they are comfortable with the entire program but are concerned the Chancellor's Office might have issues with the name.

-M. Francois responded that there are generic names that can be used for classification purposes which gives campuses the freedom to use unique names.

-There was discussion about the discomfort with the name.

-A.J. Bieszczad called the question.

-Vote taken on paper ballots.

Yes: 25

No: 9

Abstain: 3

The name will be changed to Freedom and Justice Studies.

-D. Rodriguez inquired why the *Coastal Sustainability program* had been moved to 2015, he understood it was supposed to be in 2014, when did that change happen and why?

-B. Cordeiro replied that the decision was made based on FTES.

-K. Jensen pointed out that if the program is self-support, then the timeline should be adjustable because it is not dependent on FTES.

-D. Rodriguez made a motion to move the *Coastal Sustainability program* to 2014, seconded by C. Wang.

-G. Berg confirmed that FTES are not a determining factor on the non-state side.

Vote taken by show of hands:

Yes: Unanimous approval

The AMP will be amended as approved.

Vote on the Academic Master Plan

Yes: Unanimous approval

AMP Approved

SR 11-03 Resolution to Advance the Ethnic and Racial Diversity of Faculty, Staff, and Administrators

-F. Barajas made a motion to amend the Resolution.

-J. Alamillo also made another motion to amend the Resolution.

Hand vote taken on the amendments:

Yes: 23

No: 0

Abstain: 1

Amendments approved.

-A.J. Bieszczad expressed his opposition to the Resolution, not because he doesn't want a diversified faculty but he feels we should hire the best faculty possible and judge them on their merits and nothing else.

-V. Adams pointed out that just because you are looking for a faculty of color doesn't mean they are not the best candidate.

Vote taken by paper ballot:

Yes: 22

No: 5

Abstain: 1

Resolution passed

Announcements

-Provost Neuman reminded everyone that there will be a presentation on the campus traffic direction immediately following the meeting.

Adjourn

-4:27 p.m.