

ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING
Tuesday, December 4, 2007
Collaboratory Room – BT 1302
Minutes

Attendance

Virgil Adams, William Adams, Simone Aloisio, Julia Balén, Terry Ballman, Frank Barajas, Anna Bieszczad, Robert Bleicher, Geoffrey Buhl, Lillian Castañeda, Renny Christopher, Bill Cordeiro, Manuel Correia, Colleen Delaney-Rivera, Beatrice de Oca, Dennis Downey, Jesse Elliott, Therese Eyermann, Marie Francois, Scott Frisch, Jorge Garcia, Andrea Grove, Ivona Grzegorzczuk, Phil Hampton, Beth Hartung, Debi Hoffmann, Tiina Itkonen, Joan Karp, Liz King, Steve Lefevre, Kathryn Leonard, Ted Lucas, Brad Monsma, Alex McNeill, Maureen McQuestion, Trudy Milburn, Dennis Muraoka, Luda Popenhagen, Don Rodriguez, Richard Rush, Sue Saunders, Tom Schmidhauser, Peter Smith, Jane Sweetland, Barbara Thorpe, Kaia Tollefson, Eric Toshalis, Ashish Vaidya, Dan Wakelee, Amy Wallace, Ching Wang, Greg Wood, Cindy Wyels.

Call to order

-2:31 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

-m/s-approved

Approval of Minutes from the last (Nov. 13) Senate meeting

-Trudy Milburn asked that her name be added to the attendance list.
-approved as amended.

Intent to raise questions

Responses to previous questions

Q.-I. Grzegorzczuk expressed concern about the recent failure of servers and loss of data. Can the current procedure for backing up data be run at least once a week? Can we install “ghost?”

A.-per Maureen McQuestion, CIO,- “IT had been running weekly data backups. The backups failed. Therefore, during the month of November, IT replaced the old data backup system with a new data backup system. Data is fully backed up weekly, with daily incremental backups. In addition, we are designing a second data center in a second location to which we will send a second, replicated backup. We hope to have this safeguard in place by end of June. IT regrets the loss of data and believes the new tape backup system will prevent any future catastrophic loss of user data.”

“Ghost is not a viable option because it only works with drives that are mirrored. Catalina in its old form was a RAID 5 set which did not lend itself to imaging

technology. Catalina is no longer in operation. The services are now on a server running virtualization software called VMware. The virtualization technology combined with our new backup system provides more reliability than Ghost. When we add the second data center, the data will be even more secure and restoration time greatly reduced.”

Q.-B. Adams would like to know if it is legal for the University to rent space to religious schools like the Carden Academy?

A.-per Caroline Doll-“ If/when the campus is leasing out surplus space, all prospective lessees must be treated equally and offered basically the same lease terms in effect at the time the agreement is negotiated. Religion is not an issue and it could be considered discriminatory if we didn’t lease out space to an otherwise suitable lessee because they were religiously affiliated.”

Q.-J. Peters would like to know what can be done to reduce the increasing amount of spam in our email?

A.-Judy Swanson, Manager - IT User Support Services, sent out an email detailing the use of the new Spam filter program being implemented on campus. “We are pleased to announce that the IronPort Spam Filter is going live this weekend! Once every 24 hours, IronPort delivers an automatic email to your mailbox that contains a link to a web page where you will find a list of the email IronPort believes to be spam. The IronPort web page allows you full control over how your email is handled. If you want to ‘opt out’ of the spam filter, contact the Help Desk and the IronPort administrator will put your account on the ‘do not filter’ list.”

Q.-J. Elliott would like to know why the price for groceries at Sodexho is twice as much as a grocery store what is the progress on having a grocery store in the Town Center ?

A.-per Erik Blaine, Executive Director- The University Glen Corporation, - “The General Store (no official name yet) at the University Town Center is making good progress on their plans. Their architect has submitted blueprints to the various agencies required to review them and we hope to have approved plans in December 2007. Once construction begins the tenant is planning for a 60 day build out. We are planning for construction to begin in December 2007 or January 2008. The store will also have Subway and Juice-It-Up franchises inside as well.”

Report from the President

-The President detailed the discussions he’d been having with WASC Executives, asking them to release us from the re-accreditation policy because it would severely affect our future growth.

-President Rush also reported on his recent trip to China where he visited several Universities as part of a delegation. He asked if the faculty would like him to start pursuing exchanges of both faculty and students with the Chinese Universities, to which the faculty responded “yes.”

-The President gave us the good news that the State Department of Parks had approved our obtaining the 368 acres adjacent to the campus. We are now awaiting approval from the National Parks Department as well. This will make us one of the biggest campuses in the system, and we hope to keep most of it as open land.

Report from the VP and Manager of Design Services of OPC

- Deborah Wylie, AVP OPC, and Dave Chakraborty, Director of Planning, Design and Construction, reported on the upcoming infrastructure improvements. The project will involve a lot of trenching throughout campus. Future plans involve replacing and expanding electric and sewer pipes to handle the expected student growth. Heating and cooling will be installed in all buildings except student housing. New HVAC systems are planned for the Bell Tower, University Hall, Malibu Hall and Solano Hall by year 2010 and all new buildings will be built with HVAC systems.
- A timeline for future construction was given, beginning with work on Solano Hall in February and the Smith Decision Center being completed by the Fall.
- Staff will be temporarily moved to Solano Hall while work is being done on other buildings.
- There was some discussion about sustainability and energy efficient materials being used, Deborah Wylie assured everyone that the projects would include major sustainable features.

Report from the Provost

- Provost Lucas congratulated Renny Christopher on her official appointment as Associate Vice President for Faculty Affairs.
- Provost Lucas informed everyone that the campus was looking into starting a state support summer program by summer 2009. Dennis Muraoka will head the task force to look at matters related to offering the summer program.

Report from the Dean of the Library

- Paul Adalian, Dean of the Library, informed everyone that he anticipated moving into the new Library from mid to the end of February. The current library will be closed after finals but will be accessible through email and phone, all services will still be available.

Report from the Chair

- UPACC continues to look at data acquired from the three (external, internal, and community) sub groups.
- President's Council will be reviewing a new travel policy, she will send an email with this information. Please review the proposed policy and give her feedback.

Report from the Senate Standing and Other Committees

Senate Executive

- A sub-group of FDAC is working on the SETE's.
- An updated list of University Committees and Boards can now be found on the Senate website. It lists only faculty members, not student or staff members.
- Spring Senate meeting dates have been posted on the website and will be sent out via email as well.
- In early Spring, the Senate Executive committee will create an ad-hoc group to look at the language in the Bylaws.

Committee on Centers and Institutes

- No report

Committee on Committees

-J. Balén reported they are continuing to work on their protocol.

-Merilyn Buchanan read a letter submitted by Matt Furmanski, “Thank you very much for your participation in the recent election of committee members to serve on the search committee for the next provost. With much consideration and in the interest of collegiality and inclusion, as opposed to exclusion, we decided to close down the election half way through and forward the names of all 9 candidates to President Rush. President Rush is to choose 4 of the 9 candidates we forwarded to serve on the Provost Search Committee.”

Curriculum Committee

-B. Cordeiro said they have 87 items on the Agenda and are meeting often.

Faculty Affairs

-B. Bleicher said they are working on several items

Fiscal Policies

-No Report

General Education

-F. Barajas said the committee is finishing its work via email

Student Academic Policies and Procedures

-A. Denton said they are looking at policies on double degrees and auditing courses.

Old Business

SP 07-06 Academic Master Plan 2008-2015 (Revised)

-Bill Cordeiro made a motion to move the MFA degree from 2008 to 2010, seconded by V. Adams.

-Chair Ballman read a statement submitted by Jack Reilly, Chair of Art Program.

“Regarding the friendly amendment to the academic master plan to move implementation of the MFA degree to 2010, I would like to state the following. On behalf of the Art Program faculty, after putting so much effort into authoring the MFA degree and related curriculum, we are disappointed about the administration’s decision to postpone its implementation until 2010. However, we will not challenge the friendly amendment, but will accept it in good faith. We trust that the administration will not choose to further delay implementation the MFA degree in the future.”

Vote on motion

Yes: 24

No: 1

Abstain: 6

Motion passed

Vote on the amended motion

Yes: 23

No: 1

Abstain: 4

Motion passed as amended

SP 07-07 Revision to SP 06-21 Calendar 2008-09

-Changes needed to be made because we did not incorporate enough instructional days in the original calendar.

-S. Aloisio suggested adding Monday holidays on the days before state mandated Tuesday holidays, ie.. Cesar Chavez and Veteran's Day.

-K. Leonard made a motion, seconded by J. Garcia, to make Monday, March 30th and Monday, November 10th holidays.

-There was discussion about the pros and cons of adding the holidays and how they would affect the different programs.

Vote on the motion

Yes: 17

No: 4

Abstain: 5

Motion passed

Vote on Calendar as amended

Yes: 19

No: 4

Abstain: 7

Calendar passed as amended

New Business

SP 07-08 Revision to By-Laws (B.1 under Article 3)

-m/s-J. Balén and G. Wood.

-A. McNeil asked for clarification on the verbiage 3.c.3. He points out that it should read Article 3.c, to make sense. He suggested striking the word "section" and replacing it with "article" 3.c.

-The purpose of the revision is to delete Article B1.

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

-I. Grzegorzczuk opposed the motion saying other people should be here to comment.

-B. Cordeiro agreed with I. Grzegorzczuk.

-B. Adams withdrew the motion.

Announcements

-The Undergraduate Research Competition will be held at CSU East Bay, please forward completed projects to Cindy Wyels for submission.

-K. Tollefson invited everyone to attend the "Testy Times: Community Dialogues on No Child Left Behind" on December 6th at 7 pm, Malibu 100.

-Everyone was invited to attend "Chumash Ethnobotany: Plant Knowledge Among the Chumash People of Southern California" on Tuesday, 12/4, at 7:30pm.

-D. Rodriguez invited everyone to attend "Understanding the Channel Islands: An Interdisciplinary Approach," a symposium set for 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 7th.

-J. Balén invited everyone to attend the "Aids Awareness" series being held at CLU.