

FSAC Minutes

November 9, 2006

1:00 - 3:00 Sue Jameson Room

Present: Carlos Ayala, Carol Blackshire-Belay, Sue Hayes, Maria Hess, Geoffrey Skinner, Sunil Tiwari, Beth Warner, Helmut Wautischer.

Convened at 1:03 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: Approved.

Approval of Minutes: Approved with one correction (spelling “Winston”).

Reports:

Ayala reported that the Budget 101 presentations at the Senate meeting are informative. ExCom is concerned about RTP policy changes with raising expectations without having any resources to fund them (reference to MOU Article 20.1.e). The clarification of RTP criteria (for example, addressing the Provost’s role in the repaired policy) will be a necessary step. Sabbatical leave policy is moved to ExCom.

Blackshire-Belay reports that the notes about the campus peer review visit are posted on the SSU website. An accessible technology workshop is coming up with special emphasis on instructional materials. CSU Fullerton can be considered the role model campus for compliance with regulations concerning disability access. Discussion ensues about a provision that all classroom materials must be accessible for students with disabilities. This includes a provision that books can be ordered for classroom use only if they comply with accessibility regulations.

No report from Academic Freedom Subcommittee.

Hess reports that the function of the Professional Development Center is to assist faculty in improving their teaching methods, and to provide an arena for sharing ideas related to faculty campus experience. Nonetheless, there is a low turnout for the “Friday at 4” meetings. Questions were raised if junior faculty attendance at these meetings should become mandatory.

Business Item:

Item 1, RTP Policy. The committee worked in small groups. The results will be submitted to Ayala who will compile an updated working copy for discussion at next meeting.

Adjourned 2:40 p.m.