

September 21, 2010
11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Comments by the Chair (S. Browne): Browne went to Sacramento for the Statewide Academic Senate, in Jim Wheeler's place. There are 54 statewide senators, but only 5-10 are really involved, and Jim Wheeler is one of them. He is retiring this year, so Cal Maritime owes him a debt of thanks for putting our campus on the map.
3. Announcements:
 - a. We will hold an election to the Statewide CSU Academic Senate, to take Jim Wheeler's seat. As Wheeler has retired in the middle of his term, the Executive Committee has decided to begin a new three-year term. A discussion of Article 7 of the Constitution ensued. Electronic Voting instructions were given.
 - b. Emergency Preparedness (Chief Roseann Richard). The Great California Shakeout. On 10/21, at 10:21a.m., we have been asked to conduct a large-scale evacuation drill. Based on feedback from last year's exercise, the Executive Committee felt that this year's request would be an undue burden on faculty and students, and so the committee discussed alternatives. The end result was that Cal Maritime will not participate this year, but the Executive Committee will think about how our campus can participate in the future. The faculty needs more training, for one. Chief Richards: Voluntary participation is encouraged for the duck and cover part. McDermott: Students are legal adults. We have no authority over them. Richards: You do what you can do. Please participate for the three minutes at 10:21 on 10/21. There will be more information via email coming soon, but this year there will be no mustering.
4. Comments by Vice-Chair (B. Schmid): Senate Committees: We need to have one representative per department on the Institutional Research Board (IRB), but currently we have about half of the total. The Professional Leave Committee also needs staffing, so please help with this. The Senate RTP Committee is intact. Tony Snell will chair the IRB. Gutierrez: That sabbatical list is getting larger and larger every year...how are we not going to be backed up for years? Schmid: It's about money. The money hasn't been there, so we're behind. You still have to apply, though. Not everyone is considered automatically. Snell: Article 27 says that 12% of the eligible faculty should be awarded. But there's a "get out" clause that says that it's dependent on funding.
5. CSU Statewide Senate Meeting Report (T. Snell):
 - a. The CSU currently has no faculty representation on the Board of Trustees. The Statewide Senate has proposed two candidates to Governor Schwarzenegger: he rejected them, and hasn't appointed anyone. We want to hold fast to our proposed candidates.
 - b. Snell will post information about National Day of Action in Support of Public Education on October 6, 2010 on Moodle, with links to the full documents.
 - c. Executive Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs Efraim Smith addressed the Statewide Senate. \$106 million of federal stimulus money has been awarded to the CSU. However, there also has been an increase in full-time students, from 310k to 317k.. The CSU is still hoping for more money to make up for money the legislature borrowed from the CSU in the last two years.
 - d. Board of Trustees Chair Herb Carter gave a talk. He has come to see us once a year. It was a feel-good presentation, mostly.
 - e. Ben Quillian, Executive Vice-Chancellor of Finance, spoke of potentially good news: of 305 million in stimulus money possibly coming in. He originally had planned for a flat budget with no furloughs. So far, he feels that things are looking good, but doesn't know what's going to happen with the budget. He is applying for another 400 million of increased funding from the state, due to enrollment growth, etc. He made reference to the Synergy Project, which means to make best use

of university resources across the system (IT support, student services, etc.) The Early Start program is supposed to be online by the fall of 2012. Our campus is committed to that, and must send in a report by October 14. Schmid: Will that program put a strain on our budget? Jerry: All students entering a CSU must do remediation before they start school. All schools have to come up with a method for doing that. Q: Will this impact the budget? A: Probably not. Snell: Transferability is an issue.

6. Proposed Senate Reorganization (S. Browne): At other campuses, they actually vote on things at their senate meetings. They do this because their senates are structured differently than ours, and have 100% attendance at their meetings. Is our model still working us, today? PPT (attached). Feedback: T Nordenholz: As a former senate chair, I agree with the frustrations shared. Another model we might want to drift toward is considering this meeting a general faculty meeting, instead of a senate meeting, and have the executive committee be the voting body for many of the resolutions, etc. L. McDermott: One of the advantages I see with Steve Browne's model is that the senators would be responsible for disseminating information to their departments. L. Kitazono: What if we got rid of the quorum? What if we just gave people fair notice of impending votes? C. Clott: I agree with Lloyd. Things need to get done, in a professional and streamlined way. B. Schmid: Tom's idea is good except the executive committee is not representative of all departments. G. Benton: I would support a motion for some subcommittee to draft a proposal for change. S. Browne: This definitely seems worth pursuing. Public vs. private votes can be discussed. J. Massey: What about a 20-senator minimum for a vote? This would be easier than rewriting the constitution. T. Nordenholz: There is a large number of faculty in our senate who can or don't vote.
7. Any other business: None.
8. Adjournment.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Julie Chisholm