

**Academic Senate Minutes**  
**May 12, 2005**  
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3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Abstract**

Chair report. Agenda approved. Minutes of 4/14/05 and 4/28/05 approved. Service-learning definition and guidelines approved. Update on WASC. Access to Programs for Students with Disabilities Policy approved. Program Review Protocol second reading unfinished. Report on the ESAS and Student Affairs merger. Special Studies resolution from EPC removed from business. Announcement by Statewide Senator McKillop. Good of the Order.

**Present:** Melanie Dreisbach, Elizabeth Stanny, Catherine Nelson, Jan Beauly, Robert McNamara, Susan McKillop, Rick Luttmann, Robert Karlrud, Noel Byrne, Birch Moonwoman, Michael Pinkston, Steve Wilson, Elizabeth Burch, Elizabeth Martinez, Erick McGuckin, Heidi LaMoreaux, Robert Train, Tim Wandling, Liz Thach, Steve Cuellar, Bob Vieth, John Kornfeld, Raye Lynn Thomas, Tia Watts, Dan Karner, Richard Whitkus, Sam Brannen, Myrna Goodman, Glenn Brassington, Melinda Milligan, Bruce Peterson, Sandra Shand, Marguerite St. Germain, Ruben Arminaña, Eduardo Ochoa, Larry Furukawa-Schlereth, Caitlin Hicks, Greg Tichava, Robert Coleman-Senghor, Elaine McDonald, John Wingard, Brigitte Lahme

**Absent:** Wanda Boda, Charlene Tung, Brad Mumaw, Jonathan Peacock

**Guests:** Doug Jordan, Linda Lipps, Rose Bruce, Elaine Sundberg, Bill Houghton

**Report of the Chair of the Senate - Melanie Dreisbach**

The Chair announced the recipients of the Excellence in Teaching Awards for '05 - '06. They are Elizabeth Martinez of Modern Languages and Literature and Bryant Hichwa of Physics and Astronomy. She also reported on the faculty celebration last Friday and believes it may become an on-going tradition. She noted that tomorrow is the last Fridays at Four for the semester and encouraged all to attend.

**Consent Items:**

**Approval of the Agenda - Approved**

**Approval of Minutes 4/14/05 & 4/28/05 – emailed - Approved**

**Service-learning definition and guidelines – E. McDonald – Approved.**

**Ongoing report: Update on WASC - E. Sundberg spoke to this item.**

E. Sundberg reported that the Steering continues to meet. They reviewed the comments collected at Convocation on what issues matter to the university. At first they had three themes, but after discussion they have decided to focus on two

themes – Educating the Whole Student and Improving and Maintaining Quality in a Time of Enrollment Growth. The committee is starting to do some writing now. They hope to have a first draft for community input at the beginning of the Fall semester. (Academic Affairs WASC site: <http://www.sonoma.edu/aa/portfolio/>)

## **BUSINESS**

### **Access to Programs for Students with Disabilities Policy –Second Reading – J. Wingard – attachment**

Linda Lipps was invited to address questions about this item. Motion to accept. Second.

**Motion to change section C 1. The last sentence “faculty should not lower academic standards. . . ” Second. Question called. Second. Approved.**

**Vote on amendment. Failed.**

There was more discussion on the policy.

Question called on motion to accept. Second. Approved.

**Vote on Access to Programs for Students with Disabilities Policy – Approved.**

### **Program Review Protocol – E. McDonald – Second Reading – attachment**

E. McDonald addressed comments made at the previous second reading.

**Motion to amend:** Second page: Delete sentence “Resources for the assessment and program review will be provided by Academic Affairs” and replace with “**A program review requires funding from the department, school or division level.**” Second.

**Vote on amendment. Failed.**

**Motion to amend:** Same sentence above, change to: “**Program reviews shall be conducted only if appropriate resources are provided by the Division of Academic Affairs as determined by procedures developed by that division**”. Second. Question called. Second. Approved.

**Vote on amendment. Failed.**

**Motion to refer back to EPC** with instructions to work with the Division of Academic Affairs to come up with language appropriate for this document; and charge the committee to review models in within the CSU that deal with funding for this particular activity. Second. Question called. Approved.

**Vote on motion to refer. Failed.**

**Motion to amend** second page: Delete sentence “Resources for the assessment and program review will be provided by Academic Affairs” and replace with “**The**

**Academic Senate strongly urges the administration to provide adequate resources, including workload adjustment, for program assessment.”** Second. Question called. Approved.

**Vote on amendment. Failed.**

**Motion to delete sentence: “Resources for the assessment and program review will be provided by Academic Affairs.”** Second.

**Motion to move the agenda (*call for orders of the day*). Approved.**

**Special Report on ESAS and Student Affairs merger – R. Arminaña**

Hear this report on the SSU-5 server.

**Special Studies resolution from EPC – E. McDonald – First Reading – attachment**

E. McDonald reported that the registrar agreed to EPC’s request and thus this item was removed.

**Statewide Senator announcement**

S. McKillop noted the documents she had passed out to the body describing a Statewide Senate resolution concerning faculty salaries. She said a similar resolution for the Senate to consider will be forthcoming at the last Senate meeting. They will be requesting a waiver of the first reading.

**Good of the Order**

E. Martinez wished the President much happiness on the occasion of his birthday this weekend and expressed her great confidence in Chair Dreisbach.

**Adjourned**

*Respectfully submitted by Laurel Holmstrom*