

Academic Senate Minutes

April 28, 2005

3:00 – 5:00 Commons

Abstract

Chair report. Agenda amended and approved. Minutes deferred. Candidates for Graduation approved. Proposed Revised History/Social Sciences Single Subject Preparation Program approved. Update on WASC. Special Report on SFR: Orlick, Furukawa-Schlereth and Ochoa. Posthumous Certificate of Recognition for Caitlin Byrd approved. Access to Programs for Students with Disabilities Policy first reading waived. EPC report.

Present: Melanie Dreisbach, Elizabeth Stanny, Catherine Nelson, Jan Beaulyn, Robert McNamara, Susan McKillop, Rick Luttmann, Robert Karlrud, Birch Moonwomon, Michael Pinkston, Steve Wilson, Elizabeth Martínez, Eric 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, Wanda Boda, Charlene Tung, Glenn Brassington, Melinda Milligan, Bruce Peterson, Sandra Shand, Marguerite St. Germain, Eduardo Ochoa, Larry Furukawa-Schlereth, Caitlin Hicks, Greg Tichava, Elaine McDonald, John Wingard, Brigitte Lahme

Absent: Noel Byrne, Elizabeth Burch, Myrna Goodman, Ruben Arminaña, Brad Mumaw, Jonathan Peacock, Robert Coleman-Senghor

Guests: Linda Lipps, Elaine Sundberg, Rose Bruce, Katie Pierce, Steve Orlick, Bill Houghton, Matt James

Proxies: Mary Halavais for Myrna Goodman

Report of the Chair of the Senate - Melanie Dreisbach

The Chair reported on the successful faculty research event. She was invited to the Sonoma college republican club meeting and had an interesting time there. The President is currently being evaluated and representatives will be on campus Tuesday.

Consent Items:

Approval of the Agenda - Motion to move Access for Students with Disabilities policy to earlier on agenda. Approved. Item moved to item 2. Agenda *Approved*.

Approval of Minutes 4/14/05 – emailed.

A Senator noted she had not received the minutes. **Approval was deferred.**

Candidates for Graduation (emailed) - Approved

Proposed Revised History/Social Sciences Single Subject Preparation Program – attachment – Approved

Ongoing report: Update on WASC

There was an open forum on WASC today. At the forum the outcomes of conversations in the WASC Steering Committee about the institutional proposal were presented. A “themes” approach was chosen. Three themes that the committee has come up with are Educating the Whole Student, Improving and Maintaining Quality in a Time of Enrollment Growth, and Becoming a Learning Institution. Remaining work for the committee is to draft a narrative about how we will do our self-study. There will be a report for the community in the Fall to respond to.

SPECIAL REPORT ON SFR: Steve Orlick, Eduardo Ochoa & Larry Furukawa-Schlereth (Orlick data available to download at <http://www.sonoma.edu/>)

Hear this report on the SSU-5 server. Handouts were passed out from all parties.

BUSINESS

Posthumous Certificate of Recognition for Caitlin Byrd – D. Karner – attachment

D. Karner introduced the item. Motion to accept. Second. Approved unanimously.

Access to Programs for Students with Disabilities Policy – First Reading – J. Wingard – attachment

Linda Lipps was a guest speaker on this item. Motion to waive first reading. Second. Approved.

Motion postpone to next meeting. Second. 22 in favor, 6 opposed. *Postponed.*

Motion to postpone agenda for 15 minutes to return to SFR discussion. Second. Approved.

Continuation of SFR report

Hear the continuation on the SSU-5 server.

Motion to extend for five minutes for EPC report. Second. Approved.

EPC report

E. McDonald reported that she had passed out a report from EPC on a unanimous decision regarding the GE FYE pilot. It stated:

Resolved: The Educational Policies Committee supports the concept of an integrated FYE, support further planning for an FYE pilot in the academic year 2005/2006, and encourages implementation of an FYE pilot in the academic year 2006/2007.

The chair noted that an additional Senate meeting will be added on May 26th and will be held in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Student Union.

Adjournment

Respectfully submitted by Laurel Holmström