

Student Affairs Committee
Meeting of 03/17/04

Attendance

Richard DeLeon, Karin Enstam, Karen Grady, Caitlin Hicks, Phil Huang, Doug Jordan, Brigitte Lahme, Rand Link, Greg Roberts, Janet Swing

Recorder: Doug Jordan

Minutes of 03/03/04

Approved with no modifications.

Agenda of 03/17/04

Approved with the insertion of a new item 3., 02/03:07, Advising Policy Review. Also move previous item 3., 03/04:18, WASC visit, to item 4.

Reports:

Academic Senate report by Brigitte Lahme. Brigitte reported that the proposed joint Education in Doctorate (EDD) program with UC Davis and Sacramento State was approved by the Senate. There was a report on the Green Music center. The music center is expected to be self-sustaining from a financial standpoint and is expected to increase student capacity at SSU by approximately 500 FTES. The Faculty Trustee reported that the fiscal situation is not likely to improve any time soon and that SSU needs to be prepared to deal with this type of fiscal situation into the foreseeable future. There was also a discussion of the need for CSU campuses to do a better job of coordinating major requirements.

Executive Committee report by Brigitte Lahme. Brigitte reported that the Executive Committee has requested a report from the President on the current fiscal situation. The WASC assessment committee will be on campus for their five-year review on March 24 and 25.

Administration Report by Rand Link. Rand reported that there will be a budget summit meeting on March 30 from 1 – 4:40 p.m. in Pearson theater. The summit will be a forum for students, faculty, and staff to ask questions about the budget and will also include a presentation of information from the CSU budget summit. Rand also discussed the Board of Trustees proposal to increase both undergraduate and credentialed student tuition fees. The fee increase is expected to be approved at the May Board of Trustees meeting. Rand also led a discussion of SSU Alcohol Initiatives Update. There are a number of initiatives on campus with respect to improved alcohol awareness.

Associated Students report by Richard DeLeon. Richard reported that there are going to be three events on campus with respect to the SSU and CSU budget situation. The March 22 AS meeting will be held outside and will in part consist of the second reading of AS resolution with respect to the budget. On March 24 there will be a rally sponsored by AS and the CFA to provide students information about the state, CSU, and SSU budget crisis. There will also be a budget summit on March 30 in Pearson Theater (discussed in previous paragraph). Rand

also gave a rundown of the student election candidates and Caitlin added that there is to be a meet the candidates forum at noon today.

ESAS report by Janet Swing. Janet reported that Provost Ochoa came to the last Academic Advising Subcommittee meeting. The committee presented him with a schematic that contains suggested positions/functions that need to be added/addressed in order to improve advising and communications on campus. There was then some discussion of the second AS resolution on advising and Rand reported that much of that resolution centered on requests for information about advising from the SAC. Janet also reported that Career Services is looking for two student interns to act as Career Peer Advisors.

Fee Advisory Committee report by Greg Roberts. Greg reported that the committee decided that all the programs that applied for funding are eligible for IRA funding. He also reported that the SSU radio station KSUN has applied for a broadcast license so that it can broadcast over the airwaves as opposed to just over the internet.

Athletic Council report by Karin Enstam. Karin reported that fundraising was the main topic of discussion at the council meeting. Fund raising activities include a car auction and Bidnight Madness. There was also some discussion of increasing the maximum allowable athletic scholarship that can be awarded.

Business

03/04: 17 2004/2005 New Student Admissions Restrictions in the CSU. Rand reported that the CSU has suggested two main options for restricting admissions in order to meet the 5% enrollment reduction at the CSU for 2004/05. These are forbidding lower division transfers and upper division transfers that are not fully eligible. But there are campuses that may not be able to implement these restrictions. Rand also reported that SSU is basically doing what it is supposed to do with respect to admissions. There was also some discussion of the role that the SAC can/should have with respect to admissions. Brigitte said she will ask Gustavo Flores to come to the May 12 SAC meeting to give the committee a report on the makeup of this years incoming class.

03/04: 16 Student fees for credits above graduation requirement.

There was some more discussion of this topic from the previous SAC meeting. Brigitte pointed out that excess hours have still not been defined. Greg mentioned that approximately 30% of SSU graduates have excess hours. Rand said that it is likely that the new policy will be implemented for an incoming freshman class regardless of what the final policy is. The question for the SAC is which areas of potential problems from the policy fall under SAC responsibility.

02/03: 07 Advising Policy review.

Feedback from the provost is due on April 1. Brigitte said she will contact the provost to remind him of that and to send any documents with respect to this issue to committee members between now and the next SAC meeting on April 14.

The meeting adjourned at 11:51 a.m.