

ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING
Tuesday, March 6, 2007
Collaboratory – BT 1302
Minutes

Attendance: Bill Adams, Virgil Adams, Simone Aloisio, Sean Anderson, Julia Balen, Terry Ballman, Frank Barajas, A.J. Bieszczad, Anna Bieszczad, Geoffrey Buhl, Catherine Burriss, Lillian Castaneda, Renny Christopher, Bill Cordeiro, Irina Costache, Amy Denton, Jesse Elliott, Scott Frisch, Jorge Garcia, Blake Gillespie, Jeanne Grier, Ivona Grzegorzcyk, Phil Hampton, Beth Hartung, Peggy Hinz, Tiina Itkonen, Karen Jensen, Antonio Jimenez-Jimenez, Jacque Kilpatrick, Liz King, Kristen LaBonte, Jessica LaRoe, Kathryn Leonard, Ted Lucas, Luke Matjas, Trudy Milburn, Brad Monsma, Michelle Moon, Andrew Morris, Dennis Muraoka, Don Rodriguez, Sue Saunders, Tom Schmidhauser, Peter Smith, Barbara Thorpe, Kaia Tollefson, Ashish Vaidya, Dan Wakelee, Ching-Hua Wang, Gregory Wood, Bill Wolfe, Cindy Wyels.

Call to order

-2:35 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

-approved

Approval of the Minutes from the last Senate meeting (Feb. 20)

-approved unanimously.

Intent to raise questions

In response to last weeks questions:

- In the calendar, why is it that the number of instructional days varies by semester?
- Faculty Affairs stated the semesters are mostly consistent in the number of teaching days however Holidays may sometimes create a two day difference.
- Are there plans to fix or improve the lighting between campus and University Glen?
- Deborah Wylie, AVP Operations, Planning and Construction, said there are no plans to add additional lighting on Chapel Hill.

New questions

- C. Wang-When will we be changing to a Representative Senate?
- A. Bieszczad-Several emails from her students have gone straight to the junk mail folder. Can this be fixed so that it does not happen in the future?
- C. Wyels- May we get an update on the work that was in progress during F'06 to create a policy allowing CSUCI employees shower privileges in the gym? (i.e. without buying a gym membership... The policy is needed for those who wish to commute via human power or exercise outdoors before or during their work day).

Report from the Provost

-Lucas thanked the office of Faculty Affairs for the excellent job they did with coordinating the faculty interviews last month. Offers to candidates will be made over the course of the next few weeks.

-The WASC team will be on campus next week. It is very important for the WASC team to go away with the conviction that we have addressed the concerns in their last report and also that we are using student learning outcomes and doing program assessment. We want them to know that we have a good plan in place for assessing the baccalaureate degrees as well. The center directors will work with program chairs to develop one question that will help assess the baccalaureate program. They also need to know that there is a center for assessment and our Chief Assessment Officer is Harley Baker. The actual vote to accredit us will not take place until June at which time they will decide the number of years we will be granted accreditation.

Report from the Chair

The following statement was made with the wholehearted support of the Senate Executive Committee:

- “On February 6, 2007 the CSUCI Academic Senate endorsed the statewide Academic Senate resolution on The Importance of Settling the Contract Between the CSU and CFA. The CSU Academic Senate recognizes that it is neither the role nor the responsibility of the Academic Senate to participate in contract or collective bargaining between the California Faculty Association and the California State University; but that it is, however, the role of the Academic Senate to advocate for actions and policies that produce a quality educational environment.

We at Channel Islands endorsed this resolution and by so doing, the sentiment expressed in the statement. As faculty in the CSU we face the possibility of faculty job actions, of a strike.

Here at Cal State Channel Islands we pride ourselves on our positive, collegial culture of civility and respect. This is a culture we value highly, and one of which we should be extremely proud. As a faculty, we have a responsibility to preserve this culture. And we must do so most especially when we differ on issues and courses of action.”

Reports from Senate Standing & Advisory Committee and Campus Committees and Boards:

Senate Executive

-Request to committee chairs to be more substantive in their reports

Committee on Centers

-Balen reports they have a center up for a vote on the Agenda today.

Committee on Committees

-No Report

Curriculum Committee

-They meet every Wednesday at 8:30 a.m.

Faculty Affairs

-The policy on Emeritus Faculty is on the Agenda for a vote today, they are working on other policies regarding syllabi, visiting faculty, among others.

Fiscal Policies

-Program chairs have been informed of the ARC decisions.

General Education

-No Report

Student Academic Policies and Procedures

-They meet on alternate Tuesdays from Senate are working on policies regarding second baccalaureate degrees among others.

Faculty Search Coordinating Committee

-B. Cordeiro asked everyone to be patient, the President has all the names and the new hires will be announced as they happen.

Other?

-J. Balen reported that the Representative Senate task force was in the process of finalizing its report

-B. Gillespie reported as the faculty representative on the Physical Master Planning Committee updating everyone on the status of the Town Center. The Town Center will have 3 restaurants: Mexican, Chinese, a diner, and there are still six commercial vacancies available.

-J. Laroe informed everyone that ASI elections will be happening soon. Please encourage students in your classes to run for office.

Old Business

SP 06-18 Policy on Intellectual Property

-P. Hampton reported that the most recent revision was actually the original version which removes the previous friendly amendments.

Vote by show of hands:

Yes: 39

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Policy passes

Change to Senate By-Laws

Vote by show of hands:

Yes: 38

No: 0

Abstain: 1

Policy Passes

SP 06-15 Center for Civic Engagement and Service Learning (CESL)

-B. Cordeiro stated his support for the proposal since his previous concerns have been addressed.

Vote by show of Hands:

Yes: 39

No: 0

Abstain: 1

Policy Passes

SP 06-16 Policy on Emeritus Status

-There was a change to the footnote location on the policy.

Vote by show of hands:

Yes: 41

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Policy Passes

SP 06-17 Policy on Principal Investigator

-P. Hampton reviewed the three major changes that were made to the original version, and were supported by the task force.

-B. Adams offered several friendly amendments that resulted in much discussion.

-B. Cordeiro called for the question, seconded by V. Adams.

Vote on calling the question:

Yes: 39

No: 0

Abstain: 1

Motion passes

Vote on policy taken by show of hands:

Yes: 37

No: 1

Abstain: 3

Policy passes

Announcements

-B. Cordeiro invited everyone to a concert, sponsored by the Smith School of Business, to be held on May 3rd, titled *Love, Betrayal and Death*, performed by Jesse Elliott, Liz King, and Tiina Itkonen.

-Grzegorzcyk reminded everyone that abstracts for the Student Research Competition need to be turned in by Monday, 3/12.

-S. Anderson requested anyone planning to travel using IRA funds contact him because IRA is currently reviewing a policy that would prohibit IRA grants from paying for faculty related expenses. If you are available, please attend the meeting scheduled for Monday, 3/12, at 4:15 p.m.

-J. Garcia reminded everyone to participate in the strike vote.

-Monsma suggested creating a statement on behalf of the Senate regarding the IRA policy. After much discussion and variations of a possible statement, the following resolution was submitted for a vote.

“Resolved that the Academic Senate of CSUCI strongly urges the Instructionally Related Activities Committee to include faculty related expenses in instructionally related activities.” S. Anderson and C. Burriss will develop a rationale to add to the resolution.

Vote taken by hand:

Yes: 43-unanimous

Resolution passes

-F. Barajas invited everyone to the week long celebration in honor of Cesar Chavez during the week of March 26th.

Adjournment

-3:54 p.m.