

Executive Committee
May 4, 2006
3:00 – 5:00 Sue Jameson Room

Present: Elizabeth Stanny, Edie Mendez, Melanie Dreisbach, Art Warmoth, Perry Marker, Eduardo Ochoa, Larry Furukawa-Schlereth, Carlos Ayala, Doug Jordan, John Wingard, Elizabeth Martínez, Ruben Armiñana, Elaine McDonald

Absent: Robert McNamara

Guests: Steve Wilson, David Abbott, Bill Crowley, Rick Luttmann, Myrna Goodman, Barbara Lesch-McCaffry

Approval of Agenda – E. McDonald asked for S&F items to be added: By-Laws change for duties of past chair; by-laws change for committee membership and liaisons and constitution and by-law change regarding the size of the Senate. A. Warmoth requested an addition to the Senate agenda. Chair added the SFR report presented at PBAC meeting and 3 or 4 units for Senate reassigned time. *Approved.*

Approval of Minutes of 4/13/06 – *Approved.*

Chair Report – E. Stanny

The Chair passed.

President Report – R. Arminana

R. Arminana reported there might be an educational bond issue on the November ballot for \$50 billion dollars for K-higher education.

Provost Report – E. Ochoa

The Provost reported that he met with the Chairs to discuss the Department Chair description his office was crafting. After hearing the feedback, he realized that what started out as a job description, had turned into a document with features of a university policy. So they will bring a revised formal policy proposal to the Senate at a later date. The Provost described some of the changes being contemplated. The Chair asked for the old department chair description to be brought forward too.

Senate Budget Committee report and recommendation – B. Crowley

B. Crowley passed out a new front page for the document. He said that SBC does not claim 100% accuracy of the numbers in the document, but thinks the main thrust of the document is what they want to say. He welcomed comments and questions.

It was clarified that SBC wants the document to go forward to the Senate.

It was suggested that SBC write a resolution requesting the Administration to give a written response.

It was suggested that the membership of the SBC be included on the document. It was noted that the membership of the SBC was on the Senate website. Concern was raised that other committees have not had to put their membership on documents such as this at prior instances.

It was suggested that the supporting documentation for the numbers be presented with the report. B. Crowley said some of the data comes from memory and some comes from documents that they can provide. He said that if the administration has other information they are happy to hear it.

**Motion to refer back to SBC for documentation of numbers that are available.
Second. *Approved.***

Chair-Elect Report – E. McDonald

The Chair-Elect passed.

Vice President of Administration and Finance Report - L. Furukawa-Schlereth

The Vice President of Administration and Finance passed.

APC report – A. Warmoth

A. Warmoth reported he was elected chair of the committee for next year. The committee is estimating what it would cost to implement the Core Academic Priorities. Susan Moulton was appointed to the workload task force.

FSAC report – C. Ayala

C. Ayala reported that they had an RTP input meeting. About 11 or 12 people attended. They received great feedback.

Resolution regarding the Center for Gender and Cultures – R. Luttmann, M. Goodman and B. McCaffry

R. Luttmann said they had come to present a resolution on behalf of Catherine Nelson who couldn't attend the meeting. The concern expressed was about coalescing three functions into one – the Intercultural Center, the Women's Center and a Gay and Lesbian student support center. They argued that collapsing these three into one will not serve any of the populations. They did not see how one person could serve all these populations. B. McCaffry noted the resolution called for staffing for people with expertise in the three areas. While the notion of having the three centers together was good, it was argued that they still needed separate space within the center. Additionally, it was pointed out that the previous InterCultural Center and Women's Center were based on a collaborative model of students, faculty and staff working together. Concerns were expressed about students only running these centers in terms of sensitive issues that could arise and problems with that in the past.

It was moved to forward the resolution to the Senate. Second. *Approved.*

SAC report – D. Jordan

D. Jordan reported that SAC is looking at the Core Academic Priorities report and will vote on it next time.

S&F proposed changes to By-Laws regarding duties of the Past Chair – E. McDonald

E. McDonald said that the Senate self-study noted that the immediate Past Chair was doing more work than stated in the by-laws. S&F proposes to bring the by-laws in alignment with what the immediate Past Chair actually does.

MSP to go forward to the Senate.

S&F proposed changes to By-Laws regarding membership on Senate committees and liaisons – E. McDonald

E. McDonald said that the Senate self-study noted that all membership on Senate committees should be elected and that APC and EPC had asked for clarification on the status of liaisons. She noted that Article V, Section 3 on membership was re-formatted as previously all membership on Standing Committees was in one paragraph. S&F recommended that all members of APC be elected. Then they added language on liaisons to the end of this section that was based on language from APC and EPC.

MSP to go forward to the Senate.

S&F proposed changes to the Constitution and By-Laws regarding the size of Senate – E. McDonald

E. McDonald passed out the S&F documents regarding this change as well as a document prepared by the Senate Analyst offering an alternative. S&F considered the Analyst's alternative, but did not recommend it.

E. McDonald noted that the Senate Analyst brought to S&F's attention that given the current formula for membership on the Senate, the Senate will grow as the University grows. It was also brought up in the self-study and at the Faculty Retreat that the Senate is too large. S&F agreed that there needed to be a cap on the membership, but thought reducing the number of the representative Senators would be too controversial. She then described the formula that would replace the current one.

The Senate Analyst described her proposal to limit the representative Senators to 2 per school.

Motion that both proposals go forward to the Senate. Second.

There was discussion clarifying the proposals and the correct procedure for bringing motions to the Senate.

It was agreed that S&F could have an email meeting to decide if the Analyst's proposal would go forward with theirs or not and also that the Analyst could identify a Senator to sponsor her proposal at the Senate.

Motion amended to ask S&F to meet by email to consider whether the Analyst's proposal would go forward as an information item. Second.

Vote on amendment to motion – *Approved.*

Vote to send S&F's proposal forward to the Senate – *Approved.*

SFR Presentation for Senate – E. Stanny

E. Stanny reported that L. Furukawa-Schlereth presented a wonderful report at the PBAC on why SSU's SFR was different than that on other campuses. She found it very informative and suggested that it be put on the Senate agenda. She also suggested that S. Orlick's data be forwarded at the same time. L. Furukawa-Schlereth requested that the SFR presentation be done at the last Senate meeting without S. Orlick's presentation.

Motion to have SFR presentation by L. Furukawa-Schlereth at last Senate meeting. Second. *Approved.*

3 or 4 unit for Senate Assigned Time – E. Stanny

E. Stanny said that it has been brought up that some Schools have 4 unit classes and a proposal was suggested that the Senate have course release instead of unit release. There was discussion. The Provost stated that he thought that making the assigned time be course based and not unit based was fine.

General Education Reform discussion – E. Ochoa

E. Ochoa said that assuming that the FYE pilot is approved and will test hypotheses, this is not the end-all to GE reform. He noted the Path to GE reform document and the other elements in it and asked the Executive Committee think about how to organize ourselves to address them next year. He offered a variety of suggestions for the Executive Committee to think about. The Chairs of APC and EPC gave feedback to the Executive Committee and the Provost. There was a suggestion to assess the whole current GE packet.

Senate Agenda

AGENDA

Report of the Chair of the Senate - Elizabeth Stanny
Correspondences:

Consent Items:

Approval of the Agenda

Approval of Minutes - 4/27/06 emailed

APC Resolution on Academic Affairs Strategic Plan - attachment

SPECIAL REPORT: Dr. K. Crabbe on Campus Life reorganization

T. C. 4:15-4:30

☛ Ongoing report: Update on WASC

BUSINESS

1. Consultation Policies – Second Reading – E. McDonald
a: Faculty Consultation in University Decision Making
b: Faculty Consultation in Budgetary Matters – attachments T.C. 3:05 – 3:25
2. Faculty Recruitment Policy – Second Reading – C. Ayala – attachment T.C. 3:25 – 3:45
3. APC: Changing the Name of Schools to Colleges – Second Reading - A. Warmoth - attachment
4. First Year Experience Pilot – Second Reading – P. Marker – (**bring 4/27 agenda!**) T. C. 3:45 – 4:15
5. Resolution regarding Gender and Culture Center - First Reading – C. Nelson – attachment T. C. 4:30-4:45
6. S&F proposal to change by-laws: Duties of Senate Past Chair , Committee membership and Liaisons - First Reading – E. McDonald T.C. 4:45 – 5:00
7. S&F proposal to change constitution and by-laws: Size of the Senate – First Reading – E. McDonald T. C. 5:00-5:15

It was approved for the meeting to be held from 3:00 – 5:15pm.

It was suggested that handouts at meetings be put in the subsequent Senate agendas.

Adjourned

Respectfully submitted by Laurel Holmström