

Student Affairs Committee Meeting of 02/04/04

Attendance

Karin Enstam, Karen Grady, Caitlin Hicks, Doug Jordan, Brigitte Lahme, Rand Link, Greg Roberts

Absent: Janet Swing, Annette Powell

Recorder: Doug Jordan

Minutes of 12/10/03

Approved with the following changes:

- Under Administration Report, 1st bullet: replace “Faculty Senate” by “Academic Senate”, replace “will” after “EOP” by “may be”.
- Under Administration Report, 2nd bullet: Replace “Dezick” with “Dezik”, replace “asking for volunteer assistance to take on” with “reassigning”.
- Under Administration Report, 3rd bullet: Delete last sentence.

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Approved.

Reports

- Brigitte Lahme attended the Executive Committee meeting. There was discussion of the CSU wide reduction in student body by 20,000 students. The Board of Trustees approved the “Golden Handshake.” Provost Ochoa discussed specific cuts to be at SSU. Assigned time for faculty governance will be discussed in the full Academic Senate.
- Karin Grady attended the Campus Climate Committee meeting. There was discussion of the new assessment of the climate on campus that is going to be released soon. The committee also discussed the local issue of the Conservative Club at Rancho Cotati High School and ways to try and reduce the level of stress on students and faculty in these difficult budgetary times.

Administration Report by Rand Link

- Rand gave more details about head count reduction at SSU. Reducing enrollment by 5% means that SSU will have a target of 6612 FTES. Getting to that FTES number will be a challenge as there are currently about 9200 applications from first time freshmen. The issue for SAC is what impact will the reductions have on the demographics of the incoming class. One option being considered is using a higher eligibility index for non-local students. Rand also mentioned that there are about 150 vacancies in housing spring semester 2004.
- Pre-college programs got a CSCA grant to go toward making middle and high school students more aware of financial aid that is available for attending college. There is

also a second grant for a national youth sports program for approximately 200 students

- There is a full slate of events celebrating Black History month including a lecture series and a film series.
- Seawolf Stables now has four horses and about 300 people showed up at an event to see the horses. The Seawolf Stables program is expected to generate about \$180,000 for athletic scholarships.

Associated Students Report

Rand Link gave the Associated Students report. AS passed a resolution in support of Proposition 55. The AS is considering changing their by-laws and revising their executive officer structure. The AS also has a proposal for another resolution on academic advising which Rand showed to the SAC.

Liaison Reports

Doug Jordan said that the Scholarship Committee will meet on Feb 13.

Karin Enstam said that the Athletic Council will also meet on Feb 13.

Business

03/04:12 Elect secretary

Doug Jordan agreed to take notes of the meeting. He guesses that this will be extended to more meetings so by default he will be the secretary for the Spring 2004 semester.

03/04:10 Agenda for meeting with Provost Ochoa

There was a great deal of discussion on the topic of advising in general and the meeting with Provost Ochoa scheduled for Feb 18. To summarize, SAC plans to have a packet to give to the Provost documents detailing the history of the advising situation, the concerns that students and SAC have with respect to advising, and SAC suggestions for his actions with respect to advising. Brigitte Lahme will write up the document to be given to Provost Ochoa with SAC suggestions for action by him including:

- 1) Asking the Provost to meet with the Deans to discuss the Advising Policy in detail and requesting that he report back to SAC by April 14 with the idea of taking a revised Advising Policy to the Academic Senate by the end of this semester.
- 2) Suggest that the Provost establish faculty training for advising.
- 3) Suggest that the Provost promote better communications between the faculty in general and the Vice-Provost's office with respect to advising.

The meeting adjourned at 11:59 a.m.