

2012-2013 FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, April 16, 2013
3:00 – 5:00 pm, Sacramento Hall, Room 275

MINUTES

Approved: April 23, 2013

Attendees: Biagetti, Buckley Echandia, Gossett, Hamilton, Hecsh, Judge, Krabacher, Marbach, Migliaccio, Miller, Peigahi, Rechs, Sheppard,

Absent: Porter, Strasser

Guests: Juanita Barrena, Biological Sciences; Ed Mills, AVP for Student Affairs, Enrollment and Student Support

1. **Approval of the Agenda:** The agenda was approved as published.

2. **Executive Committee Minutes – [April 9, 2013](#):** The minutes were approved.

3. **From the Chair**

Campus Report for Programs Requiring 121-129: Hecsh referred Exec to the report from the Provost and stated that it will be a future discussion item.

Senate Calendar: The April 18 agenda and Senate calendar for the remainder of the year was reviewed. Hecsh noted the number of items on the calendar and asked if any could wait until the fall or be moved to Consent Action. After some discussion the Executive Committee placed on Consent Action the Graduate Policy for Graduation with Distinction (*FS 12/13-86*) and the Outstanding Faculty Awards Policy (*FS 12/13-105*) resolutions because it was determined these were non-controversial actions ---- the Graduation with Distinction policy was a permissive and "opt-in" sort of policy and the Outstanding Faculty Awards policy amendments clarifying the one award per category unless the award was given for joint work. The SafeConnect resolution (*FS 12/13-87 at First Reading*) requested implementation be delayed until the completion of spring semester 2013, which is now a moot point as SafeConnect has been implemented for faculty and the item was removed from the agenda.

4. **From the Provost:** Gossett stated that 12 people participated in the Chancellor's Office phone conference regarding the additional funding available for campuses. There are two sources/two rounds. The first round has to do with "bottleneck courses" and also will support "trainer of trainer's" style professional development related to course redesign etc. to scale up promising practices. Proposals are to be submitted by the President or Provost and not by individual faculty; and a campus may submit multiple proposals. The second round of RFPs is specifically related to student success. Associate Dean Meyers is the "point person" on this campus. Hecsh requested the Provost forward the information to her so that it can be shared with others.

5. **From the ASI Vice President:** Judge shared a student's email inquiring if a University's policy existed pertaining to grading responsibilities for professors—in particular providing students with adequate progress reports. The student had indicated in the email that many students had not received their grades for their mid-term exams and laboratory reports. Hecsh referred Judge to the Senate's policy on Faculty Responsibilities to Students in the Instructional Environment (*FS 11/12-132*).

6. **Federal Repeat Policy Update:** AVP Mills provided an update on the new Federal Repeat Policy and the impact on the students Financial Aid units--if any units belong to a course that the student has received a passing grade of D- or above and the student has taken it a second time, their third attempt cannot be included in the total for Financial Aid. Mills will update the Senate at the April 18 meeting and thereafter.
7. **IPP work Group Update:** Hecsh stated that Marbach presented the IPP report at a prior meeting and asked Exec for a course of action. Sheppard responded that the report would be placed on an Exec agenda to be formally received and then Exec needs to decide how to take it back to the Senate. Hech stated that the work group would like to stay constituted and work on #5 and #6. Exec would address the remainder of the report and a potential policy revision. Hecsh asked Marbach to schedule another meeting of the group and to also request they review #2 and propose language for Exec's review. The report will be added to a future Exec agenda.
8. **Program Proposals:** The following program proposals will be placed on the April 18 agenda on Consent Action.
 - Arts and Letters: MA in English – Plan A / Thesis: Composition
 - Education: MA in Education – Multicultural Education and the BA in Child Development: Elementary Pre-Credential
 - Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies: BA in Economics
 - College of Continuing Education: Bully Perspectives and Prevention Strategies – Certificate of Academic Achievement

Hecsh stated that the Chevelle Newsome, a member of the Curriculum Subcommittee, forwarded a question regarding the Economics program proposal. If the department changed a grade requirement as part of the program changed is it a substitutive change? Sheppard stated that it should be referred to the Curriculum Policy Committee to make that ruling. It would only come to Exec or the Senate for a decision to be made if someone disputed CPC's ruling.

Sheppard suggested a statement be made from the Senate to Academic Affairs regarding the College of Education restructuring and change in the course number to EDUC: "In light of the restructuring in the College of Education and the number of courses that have changed from the prior designation to EDUC, that effects other programs on campus, the Senate recommends to the President that as long as there are no other changes involved to the curriculum it is fine to just re-label." Sheppard will prepare language for Exec's review at the next meeting.

Open Forum:

Buckley: Provided an update on the CSU budget and the RFP from the Chancellor's Office. He also reported that he met with the College Assoc Deans on behalf of IRT committee to share the Committee's draft process to the Strategic Academic IT Planning Goals. During the meeting a discussion on classrooms issues took place and it was noted that IRT has a defined set of University classrooms they are budgeted to maintain, however the remainder of campus classrooms belong to colleges/departments and funds are not provided to maintain those classrooms. The current system is antiquated and inefficient. He suggested a referral be made to the LSAW Committee is a way to deal with some of the issues. Hecsh stated that Exec will discuss issues with classrooms and program proposals at a future meeting.

Adjourned.