

2012-2013 FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, August 28, 2012
3:00 – 5:00 pm, Sacramento Hall, Room 275

MINUTES

Approved: September 4, 2012

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

Absent: Cortez

Guests: Mike Lee, VP/CFO Administration and Business Affairs, Melissa Repa, Co-Director, Services to Students with Disabilities, Christine Miller, ASCSU Representative

1. **Approval of the Agenda:** The agenda was approved as amended with the addition of #4a. Committee Updates, placed after item #4.

2. **Executive Committee Minutes:** [August 14, 2012](#)

The minutes were approved with the following amendment to item #3.

From the Chair, University Policy Manual (UPM):

~~Updates to the University Policy Manual are the responsibility of Administration and Business Affairs (ABA). Policies passed by the Senate and approved by the President are then posted on the Academic Affairs website by Cheryl Johnson and then forward to ABA to update the UPM. ABA has requested that a template be used for new or revised policies.~~ Updates to the University Policy manual are the responsibility of Administration and Business Affairs (ABA). Policies passed by the Senate and approved by the President are then posted on the Academic Affairs website by Cheryl Johnson, Executive Assistant, and then forwarded to ABA to update the UPM. ABA has requested that a template be used for new or revised policies. Faculty Senate Chair, Janet Hecsh will work with Policy Committee Chairs to implement the template in their committee's work.

3. **From the Chair**

1. ASI Faculty Representative: A faculty senate representative position on the ASI Board of Directors needs to be filled. An announcement will be made at the September 6 Senate meeting, by Chair Hecsh. Interested faculty will be asked to submit their names to Kathy Garcia, Senate Analyst. Vice Chair Marbach will attend the ASI meetings in the interim.
2. Student Retention and Graduation Subcommittee: The new APC subcommittee needs to be constituted. A copy of the committee charge and membership will be provided to Exec for discussion at the September 4 meeting.

3. Facilities – Master Plan Update: Mike Lee, VP/CFO Administration and Business Affairs, presented an update on the Master Plan and the upcoming review. The last Campus Master Plan Revision was approved by the Board of Trustees in January 2004. This fall the Master Plan Steering Committee and subcommittees will be formed. One faculty member will serve on the Steering Committee, which has traditionally been the Faculty Senate Chair. The subcommittees will have additional faculty representation. VP Lee will revisit the Exec when he has a sense of the faculty representation needed for the committees. He will keep Chair Hecsh updated.
4. Faculty Senate Office: The Senate Office will be functioning with reduced staff during the next 6 to 10 weeks. The Chair asks that we be mindful of the additional workload placed on the staff.
Faculty Senate Budget: The 2012-13 Senate budget has been received and reflects a 8.8% reduction, consistent with the other programs in Academic Affairs. The effect of the reduction on Senate operations is being analyzed and a revised budget is being prepared. An update will be provided at the September 4 meeting.
5. 2011-2012 Senate Items Postponed to 2012-2013: Senate items are being rescheduled during the fall semester. (e.g. Photography Impaction, MA Humanities). On September 4, those items still needing scheduling include FS 11/12-162B/Flr. related to the Executive Committee Membership and others will be discussed for placement on future Senate agendas.

4. **Committee Appointment – University Sustainability Committee:** The nomination of Jim Wanket, Geography, will be placed on the September 6 agenda as Consent Action.

4a. **Committee Updates:** This item was not addressed.

5. **Cal State Online:** This item was deferred to the September 4 meeting.

6. **Proposition 30 Resolution:** The Statewide Committee of the Academic Senate acted produced this resolution over the summer; and small campus chapters were asked to endorse it. The group discussed the language of the endorsement and it will be placed on the September 6 agenda as a First Reading with the following text: The Faculty Senate endorses the California State University Academic Senate Resolution AS-3090-12/EX Support of Proposition 30 on the November 2012 Ballot: Temporary Taxes to Fund Education – Guaranteed Local Public Safety Funding which reads as follows:

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU) support Proposition 30, Temporary Taxes to Fund Education. Guaranteed Local Public Safety Funding; and be it further

- RESOLVED: That the ASCSU commend the California State Student Association for its early support of Proposition 30 and for its commitment to educate and mobilize CSU students and others to support Proposition 30; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That the ASCSU urge campus senates to endorse Proposition 30 and to encourage their campus faculty, staff, students, alumni, families, and friends to support Proposition 30; and be it further
- RESOLVED: That this resolution be distributed to the Board of Trustees, campus presidents, campus senate chairs, California State Student Association, California Faculty Association and other collective bargaining units in the CSU, Intersegmental Council of Academic Senates, membership of the California State Legislature, Governor Jerry Brown, and the "Yes on Prop 30" campaign.

RATIONALE: At the July 17, 2012 meeting of the CSU Board of Trustees, the importance of Prop 30 for the CSU was made clear. According to AVC Robert Turnage, campuses are already struggling with the effects of the \$750 million reduction in state support last year. The failure of Prop 30 on the November 2012 ballot would guarantee another \$250 million trigger cut to the California State University system. If this trigger cut is implemented, annual state support for the system will fall to approximately \$1.8 billion, a loss of annual funding of almost \$1.2 billion, or 39 percent, from the peak level of state support of nearly \$3 billion in the 2007-08 fiscal year.

On that day, the Board of Trustees approved a resolution endorsing Proposition 30 "given its direct relationship to the systems' fiscal stability and funding levels in 2012-2013 and beyond."

(<http://www.calstate.edu/BOT/Resolutions/Jul2012.pdf>). The California State Student Association had previously unanimously approved "A Resolution in Support of Governor Brown's Tax Initiative Proposal" (CSSA-06-12) on July 15, 2012. The California Faculty Association and numerous other education, public safety, business/community groups, and labor organizations also endorse Prop 30 (<http://www.yesonprop30.com/index.php/endorsements>).

The ASCSU joins others in supporting funding for public education and safety. We recognize the importance of investing in the future of California, and that such investment includes funding for the education of California's citizens. Should Proposition 30 fail, the CSU

will again be forced to cut enrollments and leave those seeking an education with fewer affordable and accessible options, severely limit programs and services that impact the quality of education provided to those enrolled, more severely limit the quality and scope of research and service that impacts our campuses and broader communities, and lose even more employees. Ongoing budget cuts diminish the ability of the CSU to fulfill our mission and obligation to enhance the quality of life for our students and to improve conditions throughout the state and beyond. Predictable state support is critical to control tuition costs for students and their families.

Approved unanimously by the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate of the California State University, July 31, 2012.

This endorsement was also supported without dissent by 50 of the 53 ASCSU senators who responded to an email inquiry from the ASCSU Chair.

7. **Master of Arts in Humanities:** The Senate adjourned without taking action on this item. At the time of adjournment, a motion had been made and seconded, but was undecided at the hour of adjournment. Chair Hecsh asked the Senate Parliamentarian for a ruling on the status of the item and the motion. The Parliamentarian ruled that, “The motions died with the adjournment of last year’s Senate. The item goes forward as a new item.” Therefore, the Master of Arts in Humanities proposal will be placed on the September 6 agenda as a First Reading item (new business). Exec will discuss endorsement of the item at the September 4 meeting.
8. **Bylaws - Proposed amendment of Article I B.4:** The 2011-2012 Senate postponed this item to the 2012-2013 Senate. The item will be placed on the September 6 agenda as a First Reading.
9. **Senate Meeting – August 22 follow-up and September 6 agenda:** This item was not discussed.
10. **Instructional Materials Adoption Policy** Melissa Repa, Director, Services to Students with Disabilities, provided information on the current policy [FS # approved by pres in 2010]. And a draft of a more specific policy to be considered. The Exec discussed the next step and determined that the Senate will hear an information Item at the September 6 meeting including a Q & A and followed by a two-week review and comment period with responses forwarded to Kathy Garcia, Senate Analyst. The Exec also discussed asking for a legal opinion on this more specific policy and Chair Hecsh is following up. [Attachment 6.1](#)

Next Executive Committee Meeting: Tuesday, September 4, 3:00 – 5:00 pm, 275 Sac Hall