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ACADEMIC SENATE
California State University, Sacramento

AGENDA
Thursday, March 7, 1991
2:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Forest Suite, University Union

INFORMATION

1. Spring 1991 Academic Senate Meetings (Tentative Schedule)
Thursdays, 2:30-4:30 p.m.
Forest Suite, University Union (unless noted otherwise)

March 14 (ad hoc Committee on Resource Allocations)
March 21
April 4 CLS 1003 (if needed)
April 11
April 25
May 2
2:30-3:00, '91-92 Nominations
3:00-4:30, '90-91 Senate
May 9
May 16
2:30-3:00, '91-92 Elections
3:00-4:30, '90-91 Senate

REGULAR AGENDA

Old Business

Text of the following items appears on your February 14, 1991, Academic Senate Agenda. Please bring it to the meeting.

Carried
AS 90-130/AA, Ex. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION COMMITTEE, REVISE NAME AND CHARGE OF (Revises Senate Statute 3.08.02)

Carried
AS 90-124B/Flr. MINUTES

Carried
AS 90-134/AA, Ex. DIVERSITY GOALS, GUIDELINES FOR DEVELOPING FACULTY

Carried
AS 90-135/Ex. FACULTY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN-- PARTICIPATION OF ADMINISTRATORS

~~AS 90-135A/FPDC FACULTY PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN-- PARTICIPATION OF ADMINISTRATORS~~

Carried

AS 90-136/UARTP, FA, Ex. ENDOWED PROFESSORSHIPS, ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES FOR CAMPUS IMPLEMENTATION OF CSUS POLICY ON

Carried

AS 91-01/Flr. MINUTES

New Business

Carried

AS 91-13/Flr. MINUTES

Approval of Minutes of meetings of February 14 (#14) and February 21 (#15), 1991.

Carried

AS 91-14/AP, Ex. FOREIGN LANGUAGE GRADUATION REQUIREMENT, SUBSTITUTIONS FOR

The Academic Senate recommends adoption of the following "Policy on Substitutions for the Foreign Language Graduation Requirements":

Policy on Substitutions for the Foreign Language Graduation Requirements

Basic Requirement

Students who have acquired brain injury, language disabilities due to a specific learning disability, are deaf, hard of hearing, or speech impaired may, on the recommendation of the director of Services to Students with Disabilities (or designee), satisfy the basic foreign language graduation requirement (or equivalently, the admission requirement for foreign languages) as follows:

- a. Complete the usual basic foreign language graduation requirement (two years high school or one year college of one foreign language, or equivalent) with the necessary support services (e.g., readers, interpreters, tutoring, and testing accommodations).
- b. Pass a Foreign Language Department test that demonstrates second semester competency in reading or writing.
- c. If students who have an acquired brain injury or a language disability due to a specific learning disability are unable to satisfy one of the above options then they may satisfy the basic foreign language graduation requirement by completing (with a grade of C- or higher) any one (1) course offered in English by the Department of Foreign Languages (list of specific courses attached).

- d. As an alternative to a foreign language, students who are deaf, hard of hearing, or speech impaired may satisfy the basic foreign language graduation requirement (but not the admission requirement for foreign languages) by completing (with a grade of C- or higher) an intermediate (second semester) course in American Sign Language (ASL).

Graduation Proficiency Requirement

Students who have acquired brain injury, language disabilities due to a specific learning disability, are deaf, hard of hearing, or speech impaired may, on the recommendation of the director of Services to Students with Disabilities (or designee), satisfy the foreign language proficiency graduation requirement as follows:

- a. Complete the usual foreign language proficiency graduation requirement with the necessary support services (e.g., readers, interpreters, tutoring, and testing accommodations).
- b. Pass a Foreign Language Department test that demonstrates proficiency in reading and writing the language at the intermediate level.
- c. If students who have an acquired brain injury or a language disability due to a specific learning disability are unable to satisfy one of the above options then they may satisfy the foreign language proficiency graduation requirement by completing (with a grade of C- or higher) any two (2) courses offered in English by the Department of Foreign Languages (list of specific courses attached).
- d. As an alternative to a foreign language, students who are deaf, hard of hearing, or speech impaired may satisfy the foreign language proficiency graduation requirement by completing (with a grade of C- or higher) an advanced course (which requires the ability to communicate) in American Sign Language (ASL).

The University must provide (through Services to Students with Disabilities) the necessary support services (e.g., counseling, readers, interpreters, tutoring, and testing accommodations).

See AS 91-15 5/16/91 for final action

Considerations

AS 91-15/Ex. NEW ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS, CRITERIA FOR ESTABLISHING

The Academic Senate recommends adoption of the following policy statement on the establishment of academic departments:

Policy on Establishment of New Academic Departments

The following guidelines are established in recognition that disciplines evolve, and the university's academic programs grow and change. The faculty who administer and teach in an academic program may, therefore, seek changes in the administrative status of the program. Most frequently, the change sought is department status. Adjustments in administrative status of programs must be based on both programmatic and fiscal considerations.

An academic department is defined as an entity within a school, created around a discipline, that administers academic programs, develops curriculum and makes personnel decisions, subject to school and university approval processes.

Process for evaluation of applications for department status:

1. Applications for department status shall be submitted to the relevant school and university curriculum committees, in accordance with procedures for program change proposals,
2. applications shall be considered on a case by case basis,
3. applications shall include information relative to the following considerations, which shall serve as guidelines for the decisions-making bodies.

Considerations:

- a. The program(s) represents a distinct discipline.

Are the courses offered under a separate Hegis code? Do the faculty teaching in the program(s) hold degrees or specializations in the discipline? Are there journals, textbooks, and/or bodies of research and analysis pertaining to the discipline?

- b. The number and size of the academic program(s) is sufficient to generate the resources needed to support a department office.

Is a major or minor offered? Are graduate programs offered? What is the FTES and FTEF for each program?

Refer to Ex Com minutes

- c. *There is a group of faculty whose responsibilities are primarily in this program(s).*

How many faculty are teaching/advising full-time in the program? How many faculty are teaching part-time in the program, and what percentage of them hold appointments in other programs/departments?

- d. A significant number of department functions are being executed by the program faculty at the present time.

Does the program prepare and manage its own budget? Are program faculty responsible for primary level RTP decisions? recommendations on faculty appointments? curriculum development? student advising? Does the coordinator/director of the program(s) report directly to the school dean?

- e. Department status would enable faculty teaching in the program to achieve greater parity with colleagues in areas such as academic freedom and participation in ARTP decisions.

How are curriculum decisions for the program(s) made under the current administrative entity? How are faculty currently involved in the ARTP processes?

- f. Department status for the program(s) would be appropriate to the organizational structure of the school.
- g. Budget adjustments required by the granting of department status for the program(s) would not have a negative fiscal impact on other programs within the school.
- h. Establishment of the new department would result in a clear, significant improvement in the delivery of the program(s) to students, and would enhance the mission of the university.

