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ACADEMIC SENATE
California State University, Sacramento

AGENDA

Thursday, December 3, 1992
Forest Suite, University Union
2:30-4:30 p.m.

INFORMATION

Please mark your calendars: Tentative Schedule--Fall 1992 Academic Senate Meetings,
Thursdays, 2:30-4:30 p.m., Forest Suite, University Union:

December 10, 17

REGULAR AGENDA

Discussion of Senate's Ideas for the University's Vision Statement (see Attachment)

What is a Vision Statement?

The vision statement of an organization describes its best dreams and desires. These dreams and desires, shaped by the collective members of the organization, become an ideal to be pursued--perhaps never to be fully achieved, but ever present, always to be sought after.

What does the Senate want CSUS to be?

CSUS is a public institution of higher learning that is both dynamic and a shaper of environments. It is committed to being a ^{major} leader in ~~its region's~~ economic, political, and social affairs and a contributor to the cultural and intellectual growth of its region through the development of its own diverse, international, and scholarly character.

What does the Senate see as the primary purpose of CSUS?

As a comprehensive university, CSUS, through its curriculum and campus life, shall impart to its students a broad base of knowledge and experiences in the ~~Arts~~, ~~Humanities~~, and ~~Sciences~~, inclusive of the influences upon these disciplines by the myriad perspectives and practices of a diverse human community.

Who shall the students of CSUS be and what do we expect of ourselves for them?

The student body of CSUS shall reflect the diversity of California's population and the character of its international programs. As a university of the people it is committed to reaching out to students who have been chronically and institutionally disenfranchised.

CSUS is committed to preparing students who, upon graduation, can think critically and express their thoughts clearly and convincingly. Graduates of CSUS will be prepared to live a rewarding life of service to others as well as to themselves, to meet the moral, social, and political challenges of living in a diverse, complex, and often conflicted society, and to appreciate and acknowledge as essential to an education the perspectives and contributions of human groups from both western and non-western societies.

5 *What does the Senate expect should be the Organization Environment/Culture?
(by defining the culture you imply the type of people you will hire)*

CSUS is a community of scholars, unique for its diversity of membership, that excels in teaching, where excellent research and praxis in support of its instructional mission is highly valued. It is a place where values, creative thought and ideas, and new ways of doing can be explored, challenged, and implemented because its members (faculty and staff) support this ideal and because CSUS provides for the best facilities and resources necessary to sustain such an environment, inclusive of the professional and technical development of its members.

U *How does the Senate wish CSUS to conduct its business? (could be part of organization envir./culture).*

The governance of CSUS shall be shared and collegial among faculty, staff, administrators, and students. It shall occur within an atmosphere that encourages creativity, risktaking, and interdisciplinary approaches to academic and non-academic affairs.

7 *What the Senate does not want the CSUS to be/do?*

A Regional University

A Scholarly community

A Training institution

A Capitol Campus if the definition means the discipline of public policy, being minions of the legislature, or other narrow focus.



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DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

DATE: November 30, 1992

TO: ACADEMIC SENATE
Charlotte Cook, Chair

RE: The Vision Statement

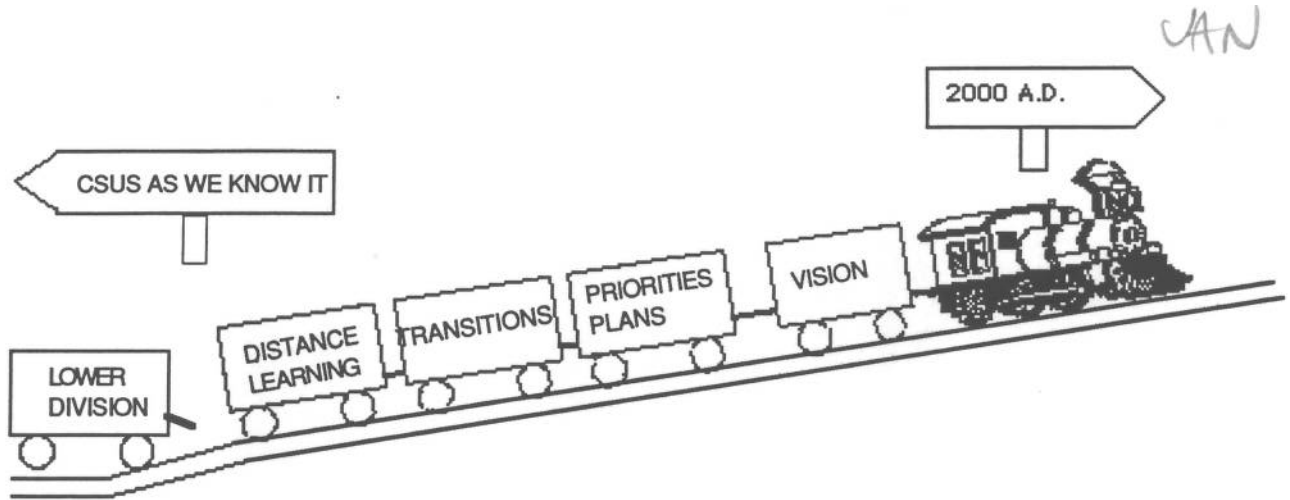
FROM: International Programs Committee
Elizabeth Hanson-Smith, Recorder Pro Temp

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During the discussion of the Vision Statement in the Executive Session before Thanksgiving, you asked for a statement of the issues each of our committees would like to have considered.

At our Monday meeting, the International Programs Committee proposed the following ideas. We are not committed to any particular wording, but we strongly believe these ideas should be encompassed in any statement of the values and priorities of CSUS.

- Given the new global interconnectedness of attitudes in business, communications, politics, science & technology, arts & humanities, CSUS should, and already does play a leadership role in international affairs.
- International faculty, students, and scholars make a significant contribution to campus life and the quality of education at CSUS.
- Internationalization of the curriculum is an established goal on our campus. We need to graduate students who can meet the global challenges of the 21st century.
- Our regional responsibilities are international in scope; that is, we cannot perform regional services without taking into account Sacramento's and California's role in the world network.
- The mission of CSUS is to provide a liberal arts education which includes multi-cultural diversity, cross-cultural understanding, and a global outlook. Our graduates cannot be effective as citizens of California without the international perspective that also allows them to be effective citizens of the world.
- While the original vision document did not mention alumni, our university community is in fact already world-wide in outreach. Our international student graduates, and Americans working abroad, constitute a global network feeding new generations of students into our campus.
- Faculty collaboration on a global scale is already a reality at our campus. Few universities have as wide a representation from international universities abroad and as clear a sense of the worth of these global interconnections to our life as a community of scholars.



WHERE IS THIS TRAIN GOING?
WHAT IS IT CARRYING?
WHO IS ON IT?
WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU WERE AT THE
CONTROLS?

Academic Senators and other interested members of the campus community are invited to an informal Senate meeting on November 19, at 2:30 p.m. in the Forest Suite of the Union.

Hear what's happening in the CSU with respect to:
instructional television
computer assisted instruction
regional cooperation among UC, CSU, CCs, and private universities and colleges
interdisciplinary programs
emphasis on applied curriculum
concentration of lower division at the community college level

SHARE YOUR IDEAS AND CONCERNS.

Fortune cookies will be served.