

1998-99 FACULTY SENATE
OF
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, SACRAMENTO

Minutes
October 29, 1998

Issue #6

ROLL CALL

Present: Alexander, Amata, Banks, Barakatt, Barrena, Bauerly, Behrman, Bossert, Buckley, Chambers, DeBow, de Haas, Dillon (Parliamentarian), Dundon, Elfenbaum, Fitzgerald, Hall, Hill, Huff, Jacobs, A. Jensen, C. Jensen, Jew, Kando, Klyse, Krabacher, Lascher, Lee, Lee-Sammons, Leezer, Lewis, Lund, McCrystle, McKee, Palmer, Raingruber, Rodriguez, Scott, Stabinsky, Tejada, Timmer, Turrill, Verdone, G. Wheeler, V. Wheeler, Zucker

Absent: Anderson, Cameron Wedding, Cleek, Corley, Dokimos, Dworkin, Kim, Lan, LeFebvre, Llamas-Green, Moore, Newsome, Olson, Phillips, Pickett, Reardon, Scanlan, Seid, Serrano, Smith, Strahan

INFORMATION

1. Tentative Fall 1998 Faculty Senate Meeting Schedule:

November 3--

- 1) 12:00-1:15 p.m., Senate meeting with Chancellor Reed, Orchard Suite (second floor, University Union)
- 2) 1:30 p.m. Convocation, "Preparing for the 21st Century at the CSU"--Chancellor Reed, University Ballroom, University Union

November 5--3:00-4:00 p.m. Cornerstones Implementation Plan Forum #1 ALL FACULTY WILL BE INVITED TO ATTEND either this Senate meeting OR a Cornerstones Implementation Plan Forum #2, time and location TBA

(Note: You can view the draft "Cornerstones Implementation Plan" on the WEB at <http://www.csus.edu/acse/corner/spense.htm>)

November 12--

November 19--

November 26--No meeting—Happy Thanksgiving!

December 3--

December 10--

December 17--

2. Senate Home Page (<http://www.csus.edu/acse/> or CSUS Home Page then Administration and Policy then Departments then Faculty Senate) - Vice Chair Arthur Jensen

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Carried.

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Persons with Disabilities, University Committee for:

BRUCE OSTERTAG, EDUC, 2000

CAROL WILLIAMS, Student Service Professional, 2000

Carried unanimously.

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October 30, 1998

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Chancellor Reed:

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The faculty at CSU Sacramento, and from what we have heard, throughout the CSU system, have grave concerns over the direction you appear to have set forth in several public forums for *our* system. We have many questions to ask of you and many issues to raise. Specifically, as you know from the Executive Committee's meeting with you last Spring, we are concerned about the pedagogical implications of Distance Learning and service experience credit and about faculty workload, and about year-round scheduling. We are concerned about the future of recent tenure-track hires, about the declining ratio of full-time to part-time faculty, and about the rumors of three-year and five-year contracts for future hires. We have serious *pedagogical* concerns about all of these issues and as professionals in the field we begin to feel ignored and discounted as ideas for the future of the system go on without adequate faculty discussion and input, as funding priorities are set, and as programs begin full force;

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We are also concerned about our own academic careers; there are serious problems with merit pay—with the concept itself, with fair implementation, and with the implications of this implementation for the logical and orderly, established ARTP procedures in the institution. We are concerned about the 10 to 12% lag behind comparable institutions in faculty salaries. We now add to these concerns expressed last Spring, the more recent public statements you have made about faculty as “workhorses” and the impasse in negotiations for a fair faculty contract, even as legislators argue over State surplus funds and how to spend them. We are anxious to hear how you reconcile awarding 30% raises to system presidents at the same time that no offer has been made for an equitable pay raise for faculty, the backbone of this institution.

Because there are so many concerns to be addressed in a very short time, we would like to structure the meeting in a way that will allow us to do so. Therefore, we would like to allocate specific time periods to focus on issues of particular concern. To this end, the Senate’s Executive Committee has been directed to moderate the meeting and to frame specific questions for discussion.

Carried unanimously.

FS 98-62/Flr. FACULTY SENATE CONSIDERATION OF POSSIBLE ACTIONS ON LACK OF A FACULTY CONTRACT -- *Motion withdrawn by the maker.*

*FS 98-69/APC, Ex. UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC ACTION CATEGORIES (Amends FS 98-06, 98-07 and 98-08)

The Faculty Senate recommends approval of amendments (October 29, 1998, Faculty Senate Agenda Attachment A-1) to the Undergraduate Academic Action Categories.

Carried.

(See 6/9/99 Pres Approval Memo)

*FS 98-70/APC, Ex. READMISSION COMMITTEE (SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE ACADEMIC POLICIES COMMITTEE), ESTABLISH

not approved

The Faculty Senate recommends that the University Academic Action Committee (initially created in of FS 98-08 without charge or membership) be renamed the Readmission Committee and that it be established as a subcommittee of the Faculty Senate Academic Policies Committee with the following charge and membership:

see the June 9, 1999 memo

Charge: To evaluate appeals for readmission from dismissed students after a mandatory interruption in enrollment.

GOT APPROVED

Membership: ⁸ ~~Nine~~ voting members, as follows:

NOTE: APC LIAISON WAS LEFT OFF. ADDED TO COMT. AS VOTING member

--one faculty member from each of the seven colleges

~~--an admission counselor~~

Assoc. Director of Admissions (ex officio)

~~--an evaluator~~

Members shall serve three-year, staggered terms. A minimum of three faculty representatives shall be present during all committee deliberations.

Carried.

