

November 06 Plenary Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 8:30a.m. on Thursday, November 9, 2006 by Chair Marshelle Thobaben.

ROLL CALL: Senators Present: (Bakersfield) Jacquelyn Kegley, John Tarjan; (Channel Islands) Dennis Muraoka, Lillian Vega-Castaneda; (Chico) Jim Postma, Paul Persons; (Dominguez Hills); Rudy Vanterpool; (East Bay) Hank Reichman, Calvin Caplan; (Fresno) Jacinta Amaral; (Fullerton) Vincent Buck, Diana Guerin, Barry Pasternack; (Humboldt) Marshelle Thobaben, Bernadette Cheyne; (Long Beach), David Hood, Praveen Soni, Maria Viera; (Los Angeles) J. Theodore Anagnoson, Marshall Cates; (Maritime Academy) Tuuli Messer-Bookman, James Wheeler; (Monterey Bay) Ken Nishita, Mark O'Shea; (Northridge), Steven Stepanek, Barbara Swerkes; (Pomona) Marvin Klein, Rochelle Kellner; (Sacramento) Bob Buckley, Cristy Jensen, Thomas Krabacher; (San Bernardino) Buckley Barrett, Tapie Rohm; (San Diego) Edward Aguado, Fred Hornbeck, Michael Perkins; (San Francisco) Andrea Renwanz Boyle, Darlene Yee-Melichar, Robert Williams; (San José) Romey Sabalius, Mark Van Selst; (San Luis Obispo) Manzar Foroohar, Myron Hood; (San Marcos) Glen Brodowsky, Dick Montanari; (Sonoma) Robert McNamara; (Stanislaus) Jason Myers, Paul O'Brien; (Retired & Emeritus Faculty) Harold Goldwhite; (Chancellor's Office) Gary Reichard.

Others Present: Craig Smith, Faculty Trustee; Ron Kroman, ERFA Representative; David Backues, CSSA Representative; Keith Boyum, Associate Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs; Ann Peacock, Executive Director ASCSU.

The agenda was approved (Yee/Van Selst) M/S/P.

The minutes of the September plenary were approved (Anagnoson/Caplan) M/S/P.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Senator Anagnoson announced that Kathy Kaiser has won her election to the Chico School Board.

REPORTS

Chair Marshelle Thobaben's written report can be accessed at the following URL: http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Records/Chairs_Reports/nov06_chair_reort.pdf.

Academic Affairs (Darlene Yee-Melichar)

There were a number of issues that the AAC discussed and worked hard on at our meetings on October 19 and yesterday (November 8). We are proposing seven resolutions (listed on the ASCSU plenary meeting agenda) for the Statewide Senate's consideration. After productive consultation and thorough deliberation with our colleagues on other committees, several of these resolutions will be jointly sponsored with FGA and TEKR. We appreciated the opportunity to collaborate on these important resolutions.

The AAC heard liaison reports from our colleagues on several systemwide committees and task forces, and we thank them for their helpful information updates. We also would like to thank Drs. Keith Boyum and Christine Hanson for meeting and sharing academic news updates from the CSU Chancellor's Office with us. The AAC will continue to address the following issues at our next meeting on December 8: GE courses and on-line education; remediation; and alternatives to FTEs based-funding.

Faculty Affairs (Bernadette Cheyne)

Faculty Affairs is co-sponsoring two resolutions with Fiscal and Government Affairs that advocate for additional funding to meet numerous unmet needs in the CSU. Both resolutions will require waivers in order to be available to the Trustees when they discuss the 2007-2008 CSU budget at their November 14-15 meeting.

The committee also is sponsoring a resolution entitled "Supporting Academic Freedom for CSU International Exchange and Study-Abroad Programs." This also will require a waiver since it relates to an agenda item at the upcoming Trustees' meeting.

A FAC resolution encouraging recognition of faculty service in governance is on the agenda for a first reading, and the committee intends to address the issue of service more broadly in the future. We also are investigating system-wide hiring practices for academic MPP positions, faculty rights related to the audio/video taping of class sessions, strategies for gauging faculty satisfaction and faculty privacy issues related to the PATRIOT Act. We anticipate offering resolutions related to some or all of these matters at the January plenary.

Teacher Education and K-12 Relations (Mark O'Shea)

TEKR met with Dr. Joan Bissell, Associate Director of Teacher Education to review progress toward improved production of Math and Science Teachers. Dr. Bissell described a broad array of activities underway that hold promise for recruiting additional teachers in these areas. TEKR also met with colleagues in Academic Affairs to co-sponsor three resolutions. TEKR members are focusing attention on the unfolding strategic planning process and the implications for teacher recruitment and K-12 student preparation for university success.

Fiscal and Governmental Affairs (Jacquelyn Kegley)

The Fiscal and Governmental Affairs (FGA) committee revised slightly the resolution on budget challenges and will seek a waiver for the item so that it can be communicated to the Board of Trustees before their vote on the upcoming budget proposal. FGA decided to co-sponsor a resolution on Cornerstones principles with Academic Affairs and a resolution on ACR 73 with Faculty Affairs. The committee met jointly with Academic Affairs to work out a combined resolution on resources for the independent doctorate including library support. The committee had a telephone discussion with Patrick Lenz concerning the budget and how the CSU computes SSI's in the budget. FGA continues its discussion of developing a process whereby the committee and the Senate can actively participate in the legislative agenda for the CSU. The plan is to schedule a discussion of this with the Senate Executive Committee and Karen Zamarripa on this topic in January. In December we hope to have an update from Karen Zamarripa on changes in Sacramento and possible legislative issues. In addition, the Chair and two members of FGA plan a December visit with legislative staff to discuss possible legislative issues.

General Education Advisory Committee (John Tarjan)

The General Education Advisory Committee met on November 7th.

We had a presentation on civic engagement and service learning by Gerald Eisman from SFSU who is currently heading up civic engagement efforts for the Chancellor's Office.

The committee considered potential guidelines for the granting of GE credit for AP examinations. Several recommendations were made to the administration. There is an ongoing effort to align CSU and UC guidelines. CSU discipline faculty are being consulted as the guidelines are developed.

We continue to discuss the campus survey on the structure of general education and potential revisions to EO 595, which established the current GE program over 20 years ago. In light of the ongoing system-wide "Access to Excellence" strategic planning efforts, it was decided to form a working group to develop a document, which contains both potential changes suggested by the campus survey, and broader conceptual issues, which might inform a revisioning of general education in the CSU. After approval by the entire committee, this document would be shared with both the steering committee and campuses for their consideration as they engage in strategic planning.

While AB 2168, which would have mandated a common GE package across systems was defeated in the Senate Higher Education Committee, it called attention to the differences in requirements faced by students transferring from to the CSU and University of California. ICAS has the issue of further alignment of GE-Breadth and IGETC on their December agenda. The committee awaits their advice.

After lengthy discussion, it was decided that no further action is warranted in regard to flexibility in completion of GE requirements prior to transfer, often known as the "SciGETC" initiative.

The committee considered a requirement that all GE courses be taught in English. Based upon input from the Academic Affairs Committee, it is likely that instruction in English will be encouraged for all but foreign language and literature courses and required only in Area A courses.

LDTP Advisory Committee (Barbara Swerkes)

We have had more than 1000 course submissions from the Community Colleges and have set up faculty review teams for the courses involved in the first round of the LDTP course review. We are currently recruiting and training review teams for the second review cycle, which begins in February.

Campus Initiatives to Facilitate Graduation Visitation Teams (Ted Anagnoson)

We are in the midst of doing the 10 peer review team visits that are scheduled for this fall. Those include: Humboldt, Long Beach, Sacramento, Sonoma, San Marcos, Pomona, San Bernardino, Los Angeles, Cal Maritime, and Chico. For spring, there are visits scheduled to seven more campuses: Bakersfield, Dominguez Hills, Monterey Bay, Stanislaus, East Bay, Fullerton, and San Diego.

Independent Doctorate Policy Workgroup (Christy Jensen)

A call for volunteers to be added to the pool of reviewers has gone out. In particular we have asked Academic Affairs and TEKR to see if any of their committee members are interested. In January we will conduct a collective review of all of the reviews. We are also looking at what kind of structure do we need to oversee statewide curriculum.

Academic Technology Initiative (Ken Nishita)

The Services for Students with Disabilities Advisory Committee will begin to update the *"Policy for the Provision of Accommodations and Support Services to Students with Disabilities"* as mandated every five years (Coded Memorandum AA 2002-35 <http://www.calstate.edu/acadaff/codedmemos/AA-2002-35.pdf>)

There was a discussion of a "Budget Proposal Change" (BPC) request, which is outside the Governor's Compact of funding. The Chancellor's Office has requested an additional \$2+ million (Boyum) for interpreters and accommodations, which is woefully meager. For example, many campuses spend hundreds of thousands of dollars each year and each campus is well "over-budget." For example, San Diego about \$325K, Long Beach about \$250K, San Francisco about \$500K.

In regards to the to the BPC, five California Legislators plan to visit campuses, including representatives from the Office of Finance "Veteran Initiatives" to prepare for larger numbers of disabled veterans. This has become a Governor's initiative and CSU Presidents have been charged to set up campus teams to address these plans. There is a DVD, "From Where I Sit," that was sent to campuses with the Campus Teams for ATI that is illustrative of the campus service needs

There was a report from the Services for Students with Disabilities Center Directors, which highlighted the recent Office of Civil Rights (OCR) legal cases at: (1) Fullerton, (2) Los Angeles, (3) San Bernardino, and (4) Channel Islands. Although the original student complaint began with "timeliness of the availability of alternate text and class materials," it appears that the OCR is now scrutinizing all campuses facilities in their reviews. For example, the San Bernardino campus is now mandated to address out-of-compliance buildings in a three-year period; at a cost to the campus of \$6 million.

There is a need for alternative testing of professional tests such as MCAT, LSAT, GMAT, etc.

Faculty Trustee Recommending Committee (Harold Goldwhite)

The committee is ready for nominations. It is a rewarding position and we hope that many qualified faculty will be nominated.

PRESENTATIONS

David Backues (CSSA Representative)

CSSA's Policy planning meeting will meet the following weekend after the Senate in San Marcos. Three items are to be the main focuses of CSSA this year: (1) Academic Advising, (2) Outreach, and (3) access and affordability. CSSA's participation in the national "Get Out the Vote" efforts aided in a national four percent rise in young voter turnout. Cuts to meet enrollment paybacks have mostly come out of academic affairs which has resulted in

desperate measures on many campuses. CSSA will review and possibly pass a resolution on budget cuts.

Faculty Trustee Craig Smith

Since our last meeting, I have visited Stanislaus, which was the last of the 23 that I had not visited. I also visited Fullerton on November 1, and returned to Humboldt State to help that campus with its budget deficit crisis.

On November 8, I met with the Statewide Academic Senators from campuses with deficits to hear their concerns and suggest some strategies for the future.

I'm happy to report that the resolution from this body to the Board on executive compensation resonated. The Board's agenda contains a much more rigorous and transparent executive transition program. However, some questions still remain: (a) who is in the transition program and who is not? (b) how are these people compensated if they are not in the transition program? and (c) What are these people accountable for and how is it measured?

The budget proposal is excellent, particularly in terms of listing budget challenges.

I hope we can examine the funding formula to allow access to excellence instead of access to growth environments. To this end: (a) federalism and unique strengths need to be preserved (b) bottom line costs of operation need to be guaranteed, and (c) implications for the strategic initiative.

Executive Vice Chancellor Gary Reichard

Executive Vice Chancellor Reichard introduced Dr. Elizabeth Ambos, the Interim Assistant Vice Chancellor for Research Initiatives and Partnerships. Her areas are (1) identification and pursuit of external support for CSU mission-related programs, particularly those that are multi-campus; (2) development of policies related to research and sponsored programs, including intellectual property and technology transfer, and (3) infrastructure to support of research and multi-campus partnerships. Dr. Ambos will visit each campus to learn first hand its research strengths and concerns, stimulate support for student research, and to support collaboration across campuses. Reichard stated there is a need to help to equalize research support across campuses. There is no interest in centralizing such support, but not all campuses have all the services that a researcher might need. It is possible, however, that some of the larger campuses could provide some services to the smaller campuses. Reichard commented that Dr. Ambos would be talking with faculty about the recruitment of math and science teachers. It is expected that a search will be conducted in the spring to make a permanent appointment to the position.

Reichard announced that the final edited version of the list of domains and questions for campus conversations that will launch the "Access to Excellence" strategic planning initiative would be posted November 9. He said that letters have been sent to campuses asking Presidents to set up dates and conversations, which—according to the Board-approved timeline for the planning exercise—should be completed by early March 2007. The next stage of the process will be a system summit to be held in April.

ATAC made recommendations concerning the exploration of on-line courses and delivery, which were well received. Reichard stated that there are plans to develop a CSU Portal and to do a marked analysis through the RFP process.

Two new task forces, each including faculty members, will soon be established: (1) text book affordability and (2) consideration of drop/withdrawal and repeat policies.

Reichard stated that the jointly sponsored *CSU Campus Practices For Student Success Conference*, held on October 19-20, was excellent, and thanked the Senate for its leadership in planning and carrying out the event.

Reichard said that implementation of the independent Doctor of Education Degree Programs is moving ahead on schedule, with seven campuses scheduled to launch such programs in fall 2007; four additional campuses will begin their programs in 2008.

The 23 campus Presidents have received their 2007-8 enrollment targets.

RESOLUTIONS

Laboratory Science Requirement For Freshman Admission (AS-2769-06/AA/TEKR)
Approved unanimously

Fulfilling the Principles of Cornerstones in the New Strategic Plan (AS-2771-06/AA/FGA)
Approved unanimously

Advocating for Additional Funding for CSU Budget Challenges and Unmet Needs (AS-2772-06/FGA/AA) Approved unanimously

Resource Needs for High Quality Independent Ed.D. Programs in the CSU (AS-2773-06/FGA/AA) Second Reading

A Student Fee Policy That Supports Educational Outcomes (AS-2774-06/AA) Second Reading

Library Resource Needs For Quality, Independent EdD Degree Programs In The California State University (CSU) (AS-2775-06/AA) Withdrawn

Principles To Guide The Application Of The TCSU Numbering System For California State University (CSU) Systemwide Articulation (AS-2776-06/AA) Second Reading

Response To SB 1543 (Alarcon): High School Curriculum; High School Coursework Requirements (AS-2777-06/AA/TEKR) Second Reading

Support of the a-g Curriculum as California's Primary High School Graduation Course Requirements (AS 2778-06/AA/TEKR) Second Reading

Library Resource Needs For All Undergraduate and Graduate Programs (AS-2779-06/FGA)
Second Reading

Monitoring and Supporting Progress in the Implementation of ACR 73 (AS-2780-06/FA)
Approved unanimously.

Recognition of Faculty Service in Governance (AS-2781-06 FA) Second Reading

Supporting Academic Freedom for USU International Exchange and Study-Abroad Programs
(AS-2782-06/FA) Approved unanimously

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 am on Thursday, November 9, 2006.