

R. Campbell, I. Girton, A. Modarres, K. Wasley, J. Wiebe

ABSENT

C. Gutierrez, P. Hechler, D. Margaziotis, L. Tunstad

EXCUSED ABSENCE

M. Cates convened the meeting at 1:39 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. 1.1 The Chair's Announcements:

1.1.1 On February 11, 2000, President Rosser approved the proposed policy titled "Range Elevation for Temporary Faculty, Faculty Handbook, Chapter VI, effective Spring 2000.

1.1.2 President Rosser has informed the Executive Committee that the University will be changing the process by which faculty, staff and administrative perceptions are solicited and collected regarding management employees because campus legal counsel has advised the President that absolute confidentiality cannot be guaranteed, particularly with respect to disclosure, upon request, to management employees under review.

At the Executive Committee meeting of February 2, two motions were passed:

- (1) to raise the question with the Statewide Senate Faculty Affairs Committee regarding our campus process for collecting faculty perceptions of administrators and the CSLA legal counsel's interpretation of the law as it pertains to anonymous evaluations; and
- (2) that pending resolution of the issues raised with the Statewide Senate Faculty Affairs Committee regarding to the CSLA legal counsel's interpretation of the law as it pertains to anonymous evaluations, we will not undertake the review of administrators this year.

1.2 Vice Chair's Announcements

The following faculty members have accepted appointment by the Committee on Committees:

Maria Costa (Modern Languages and Literatures) - the Forgivable Loan/Doctoral Incentive Program Committee, term ending Summer 2003

Edward Forde (Art) - Outstanding Professor Awards Selection Committee, term ending Summer 2000

Lifan Wu (Finance and Law) - CSLA Foundation Board, term ending Summer 2002

Lili Tabrizi (Electrical and Computer Engineering) - University Sabbatical Leave Committee, replacement for Anjan Bhaumik

Darrell Guillame (Mechanical Engineering) - Strategic Planning Coordinating Committee, alternate for Anjan Bhaumik, Winter 2000

Blair Berkley (Management) - University Invention and Patent Evaluation Committee, term ending Summer 2003

Scott Bowman (Political Science) - University Invention and Patent Evaluation Committee, term ending Summer 2002

Konrad Aniol (Physics and Astronomy) - Educational Policy Committee, alternate for Kevin Baaske, Winter and Spring 2000

1.3 Senator Garcia announced: This Friday, February 25, The 8th Annual Cal State L.A. Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity will be held. There will be 31 student original presentations in the University Student Union and 24 poster presentations in Library North. The oral presentations will start at 8:00 to 11:30 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Continued)

The poster presentations start at 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The entire campus community is invited so please come and support our students while they give their oral presentations or poster presentations. Further information can be obtained by contacting Evelyn Winchester in Biological Sciences 137 (ext. 3-3817).

1.4 Senator Anderson announced: I am Fred Anderson; I'm an Academic Senator and Chair and Professor of Social Work in the School of Health and Human Services. I am pleased to announce to the Senate and to the campus community that the Master of Social Work program graduated its first class. The program received initial accreditation on its first try. I want to thank my hard working faculty and the administrators who adjusted their schedules to meet with the accreditation team. We did it in half the time, 1 ½ years instead of 3!

INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS

2. None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

3. It was m/s/p (Marshall) to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 8, 2000 (ASM 99-12).

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION
FOR PETER A. BRIER

4. It was m/s/p UNANIMOUSLY (Cleman) to approve the following Resolution of Commendation for Peter A. Brier:

WHEREAS Professor Peter A. Brier served as a distinguished faculty member in the Department of English at California State University, Los Angeles, from 1971 until his retirement in Spring 1998; and

WHEREAS Professor Brier enhanced the reputation of Cal State L.A. and contributed significantly to knowledge in his field through a sustained and outstanding record of scholarly accomplishment, publishing articles and books on Charles Lamb, William Wordsworth, Samuel Coleridge, Charles Dickens, Howard Mumford Jones, and a wide range of other British and American authors and critics; and

WHEREAS He engaged concerns in this scholarly achievement that transcend particular works and writers to center on the fundamental intellectual and moral issues of our time; and

WHEREAS He served the students of Cal State L.A. by sharing with them his considerable knowledge and insight in such a way as to instill a passion for literature and ideas and to cultivate deeply humanistic values, to exemplify, in other words, what he often reminded us was the sacredness of professing; and

WHEREAS In recognition of his outstanding performance as both teacher and scholar he was elected to Phi Kappa Phi in 1991 and in 1993 received both an honorary membership in the Golden Key Honor Society and an Outstanding Professor Award; and

WHEREAS He enhanced the intellectual life of the University by creating and sustaining in every way the David Kuball Memorial Lecture Series, which annually brings students, faculty, alumni, and emeriti together on campus, to hear and meet, such outstanding literary scholars as Geoffrey Hartman, Marjorie Perloff, Emory Elliott, Helen Vendler, Sacvan Bercovitch, and J. Hillis Miller; and

WHEREAS He indefatigably served the cause of faculty governance at Cal State L.A. in numerous committees on all levels, including multiple terms on the Academic Senate and on its Executive Committee, where he raised the level of debate on many major issues, such as school reorganization, the Communications Code, student evaluations, and outcomes assessment policy, arguing with determination and eloquence the philosophical grounds of these issues; therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate at California State University, Los Angeles, commends Professor Brier for his twenty-seven years of outstanding service and accomplishment, and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Senate wishes Professor Brier an active and productive but still relaxing retirement in which he will find time not only to continue with his current research project, teach a few classes, and dabble innocently in English Department politics, but also travel, enjoy his family, take long lunches at the Huntington Library, and from time to time return to the Senate floor to remind us what is really at stake in our seemingly interminable debates.

5. It was m/s/p (Cash) to approve the agenda.

6. President Rosser presented The State of the University Address. A question and answer period followed.

7. It was m/s/p (Cash) to adjourn at 3:08 p.m.

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION (Continued)

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

STATE OF THE UNIVERSITY
ADDRESS Presented by President
James M. Rosser

ADJOURNMENT