## CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSTIY, LOS ANGELES ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES December 1, 2009

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**EXCUSED ABSENCE** 

P. Romero, Y. Song, K. Wasley

**ABSENT** 

R. Land convened the meeting at 1:38 p.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

- 1. 1.1 The Chair's Announcements:
  - 1.1.1 Distributed today at the back of the room is document 09-6.1; please pick a copy up now if you have not already done so.
  - 1.1.2 Just a reminder, the deadline to nominate one of your colleagues for the Outstanding Professor Award is next Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, and if you need another copy of the nomination form, please call or email the Senate Office.
  - 1.1.3 This being the final meeting of the quarter, I would like to thank all of you for your service this fall and to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season.
  - 1.2 Senator Baaske announced: Today, December 1, 2009 is World AIDS Day. An estimated 33 million people in the world are living with HIV, including over a million Americans.

According to a new UN Report, there were more than two million AIDS related deaths reported globally in 2008 and that two million children under the age of 15 now live with HIV.

The UN also reports that while four million people were receiving AIDS drugs at the end of 2008, an additional 5 million people need treatment and are not receiving it.

Unfortunately, according to Human Rights Watch, in many parts of the world, legislation effectively criminalizes populations living with HIV or who are vulnerable to HIV infection, such as sex workers, drug users, and men who have sex with men. These laws fuel stigma and discrimination, increase barriers to HIV information and treatment, and contribute to the spread of disease. Elsewhere, laws criminalizing HIV transmission discourage HIV testing, potentially subjecting those who know their HIV status to criminal penalties while exempting those who are unaware of their infection.

World AIDS Day provides us with an opportunity to raise awareness and focus attention on the global AIDS epidemic.

- 1.3 Senator Izquierdo-Edler announced: I would like to announce that the last of the Neuroscience Seminars Series will feature Dr. J. David Jentsch, from UCLA, presenting a lecture on "Risky Decision Making: From Genes to Circuits to Addiction" in Physical Sciences 158, this Thursday at 1:30 p.m.
- 1.4 Senator Moss announced: I would like to announce that on Monday there is a reception in the Fine Arts Gallery from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. It is the opening of the senior projects class for design, fashion and textiles, and studio arts. It is the capstone course. You are all welcome and there will be food; get there early if you want food.
- 1.5 Senator Ledesma announced: CFA will be hosting a membership meeting, Thursday, 3:15 to 5:00 p.m. in the University Club. We will be discussing bargaining issues as well as other issues.
- 1.6 Senator Anagnoson announced: A former chair of this body, Dr. Frieda Stahl of the Department of Physics and Astronomy, called my attention to the campaign that the AAUP is waging on behalf of the rights of faculty members at public colleges and

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universities to speak freely without fear of retribution.

The background here is that in 2006 the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that the government can restrict the speech of public employees when they comment on issues related to their "official duties." Although the decision specifically set aside academic speech, several other courts have ruled recently that faculty members who speak out on matters affecting their institutions are not protected under the First Amendment.

I have some information I would be glad to lend anyone on this, including the Supreme Court case of Garcetti v. Ceballos, which happened right here in Los Angeles, and if you are interested in this issue, you should go to the AAUP web site, <a href="http://www.aaup.org/">http://www.aaup.org/</a> and then click on "Protect the Faculty Voice," which is right at the top of the middle section of the main page. I encourage you to do so.

INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

SENATE CHAIR'S REPORT

PROPOSED POLICY MODIFICATIONS FOR CHAPTER VI OF THE <u>FACULTY</u> <u>HANDBOOK</u> (09-3, -3.1, -3.2) Second-Reading

- 2. None.
- 3. It was m/s/p (Baaske) to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 24, 2009 (ASM 09-9).
- 4. It was m/s/p (Anagnoson) to approve the agenda.
- 5. Chair Land presented his report. A question and answer period followed.
- 6. 6.1 It was m/s/p (Moss) to amend lines 473 to 475 of document 09-3 to read:
  OUTSTANDING IN CATEGORY A, "EDUCATIONAL PERFORMANCE"
  AND OUTSTANDING IN EITHER CATEGORY B, "PROFESSIONAL
  ACHIEVEMENT" OR C, "CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UNIVERSITY" AND
  AT LEAST COMMENDABLE IN THE OTHER.
  - 6.2 It was m/s/ (Classen) to continue document 09-3 as a second-reading item at the next meeting.
  - 6.3 Debate ensued.
  - 6.4 Senator Classen amended his motion to postponing document 09-3 to the next meeting with the understanding that a clean document would be distributed to the Senate.
  - 6.5 The Classen motion was approved as amended.
- 7. 1 It was m/s/ (Baaske) to approve document 09-6.1 as an amendment to document 09-6.
  - 7.2 Senator Cleman suggested as a friendly amendment that lines 10-11 of document 09-6.1 be amended by changing the phrase "of the program" to read OF THE DEPARTMENT/DIVISION/SCHOOL IN WHICH THE PROGRAM IS HOUSED.
  - 7.3 It was agreed by consensus to accept Senator Cleman's suggestion as a friendly amendment and to replace the reference to "faculty of the program" with the the new language throughout document 09-6.1.
  - 7.4 Senator Flint suggested as an editorial amendment that the word TIME be inserted on line 18 of amendment 09-6.1 after the word "any."
  - 7.5 It was agreed by consensus to accept Senator Flint's amendment as editorial.

PROPOSED POLICY MODIFICATION: POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR ACADEMIC PROGRAM DISCONTINUANCE, <u>FACULTY HANDBOOK</u>, CHAPTER VI (09-6)

Second-Reading
Forwarded to the President

7.6 Discussion continued and it was agreed by consensus to amend line 15 of document 09-6.1 by deleting the word two and inserting the word THREE and to amend line 16 by inserting a comma and the words INITIATES A REQUEST TO CONTINUE THE SUSPENSION after the word "program."

- 7.7 It was further agreed by consensus to amend line 20 of document 09-6.1 by inserting the words THE PROGRAM, CONTINUE THE SUSPENSION after the word "reactivate."
- 7.8 Senator Momand suggested as a friendly amendment to document 09-6.1 that the statement on lines 18-19 that reads "A request to reactivate the program can be made by the program faculty at any time during the three-year suspension period." be inserted on line 14 after the word "program."
- 7.9 It was agreed by consensus to accept Senator Momand's suggestion as a friendly amendment.
- 7.10 Senator Falvey suggested as a friendly amendment to document 09-6.1 inserting the words ALLOWED TO APPLY TO OR BE before the phrase "permitted to enter the program" on lines 12 and 13.
- 7.11 It was agreed by consensus to accept the amendment made by Senator Falvey as friendly.
- 7.12 Senator Momand suggested as a friendly amendment that document 09-6.1 be inserted as a new Roman numeral VI in document 09-6, rather than as a new V; that line 12 on document 09-6.1 be amended by deleting Roman numeral VI and inserting Roman numeral V; and that document 09-6 be amended by deleting the words suspended or on lines 218 and 221 and deleting the words suspension or on line 237.
- 7.13 It was agreed by consensus to accept the suggestion made by Senator Momand as a friendly amendment.
- 7.14 It was m/s/p (Moss) to close debate on the Baaske amendment.
- 7.15 The Baaske amendment was approved as amended.
- 7.16 It was m/s/ (Reed) to refer the policy after amendment to the Educational Policy Committee.
- 7.17 Discussion ensued.
- 7.18 The Reed motion was withdrawn.
- 7.19 The recommendation was APPROVED as amended (09-6). Copies of the document are available in the Senate Office.
- 8. It was m/s/p (Bowman) to adjourn at 3:10 p.m.

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PROPOSED POLICY MODIFICA-TION: POLICIES AND PROCE-DURES FOR ACADEMIC PRO-GRAM DISCONTINUANCE, <u>FACULTY HANDBOOK</u>, CHAP-TER IV (Continued)

**ADJOURNMENT**