1. 1.1 The Chair’s Announcements:

1.1.1 I am pleased to report that the following faculty members have been elected to serve on the University Sabbatical Leave Committee: Sharon Bishop (Arts and Letters), Ashish Vaidya (Business and Economics), Ann Snow (Charter School of Education), Anjan Bhaumik (Engineering and Technology), Marlene Zepeda (Health and Human Services), Steve LaDochy (Natural and Social Sciences) and Mary Diaz (Division of Admin., Library and Student Affairs).

1.1.2 The CSU Commission on Extended Education has issued a request for proposals for 2000/2001 that will advance the CSU’s principal continuing education objectives. These are:

- outreach to under-served populations
- development of statewide and regional instructional programs
- development of distance education programs, and
- development of international programs.

Applicants must submit brief concept papers by January 21, 2000 to be eligible to participate. Final project proposals will be due April 7. The Commission anticipates making awards up to $50,000 for single-campus projects and up to $100,000 for multi-campus projects. A copy of the RFP is available in the Senate Office.

1.2 Senator Marshall announced: The Cal State L.A. Chapter of the Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society is announcing the initiation of the nomination process for students interested in applying for the National Graduate Fellowship. Each year, one nominee is selected from the local applicants to compete nationally. For the past two years, our nominee has been selected to receive the prestigious National Graduate Fellowship. We will try to make it three in a row for Cal State L.A. students!

There is a flyer in the back of the room today detailing the application process. Our local Chapter is asking each of you to notify outstanding students in your programs who are applying for graduate studies to consider applying.

1.3 Senator Garcia announced: This year’s CSLA Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity, sponsored jointly by the Office of Graduate Studies and Research and The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, has been scheduled for February 25, 2000. Two of the Cal State L.A. winners will each receive a travel grant of up to $1,000 to present their research at a national conference in their field. In addition, ten local winners will be selected to represent Cal State L.A. in a statewide competition later in the spring. The Symposium is open to all majors and to both undergraduate and graduate students. Please note that the deadline for submission of abstracts this year is Friday, February 4, 2000.

A set of guidelines that describes the format for preparing the abstract and includes a copy of the registration form is available in the Graduate Studies office, Adm. 710, or you can contact Evelyn Winchester to request the guidelines by phoning ext. 33817.

1.4 Senator Roden announced: Many of you will have been around long enough to remember Senator Holladay. When he passed away, CFA set up a scholarship in his name. We now have enough money to make awards. The Howard P. Holladay Memorial Scholarship is for juniors, seniors, or graduate students, any major, with
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Applicants who are members of a family of someone who has been a CFA-LA member for two or more years will be given preference. Applications are available in Student Affairs 118. The deadline is December 3, 1999.

1.5  Associate Vice President Winnick announced: This afternoon, after the Senate, there will be a reception for Janet Fisher-Hoult, former Director of the Center for Effective Teaching and Learning. She retired from the Center in June and is retiring from the University in January.

INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS  

2.  Senator Marshall announced her intent to raise the following questions of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs:

Over a year ago an informal question was raised requesting that the campus adopt a procedure by which faculty who wish to use computer laboratories as part of their courses could be provided access to the laboratories. Currently, faculty who choose to incorporate instructional technology in their courses must go to the police department to check out a key for the lab (the key can only be checked out one hour before the lab), walk to the laboratory, open it, hold the class, and then return the key to the police department (within one-hour after the lab in order to escape paying a fine). Clearly, this procedure not only discourages the incorporation of the use of technology in the instructional program, but also seems a tremendous waste of faculty time and effort.

After having discussed this topic with many faculty from around the System, it is clear that there have been options developed elsewhere which are much more user friendly and which would facilitate and encourage faculty to incorporate technology into their courses without jeopardizing the security of the equipment.

Therefore, I am formally asking the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, and whomever else she feels would be appropriate, to revise the current procedure, and report back to the Academic Senate as soon as possible, hopefully, before the end of the Winter Quarter, 2000 as to the results of her efforts on behalf of the faculty.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES  

3.  It was m/s/p (Marshall) to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 9, 1999 (ASM 99-5).

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA  

4.  It was m/s/p (Anagnoson) to approve the agenda.

AD HOC ADVISORY SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS – ELECTION OF FOUR FACULTY MEMBERS

PROPOSED POLICY MODIFICATION: REVIEW OF DEGREE PROGRAMS, FACULTY HANDBOOK, CHAPTER IV, (99-4)  First-Reading

PROPOSED POLICY MODIFICATION: THE UNIVERSITY SABBATICAL LEAVE COMMITTEE, FACULTY HANDBOOK, CHAPTER VI (99-3)  Second-Reading

Forwarded to the President

ADJOURNMENT  

8.  It was m/s/p (Marshall) to adjourn at 2:05 p.m.