CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES
OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS

ACADEMIC SENATE STUDENT POLICY COMMITTEE

February 14, 2002, 1:30 - 3:10 p.m., SA 110

MINUTES

Excused: R. Dawson, C. Frank, A. Jones, K. Karimlou, E. Miller, F. Zhou
Absent: A. Jones
Guest: W. Gladish

1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by R. Garcia, Chair, at 1:40 p.m. The new student graduate representative, Stacey Quick, was introduced.

2.0 Announcements

2.1 T. Ross announced: 1) The University Open House is planned for April 13. 2) The Chancellor’s Office is sponsoring through their CSU Council of Vice Presidents for Student Affairs a Summit on Greek Life/Affairs from March 13-15, 2002 at San Diego State University. 3) The Chancellor’s Office is also sponsoring a CSU Alcohol Conference on April 12th in Los Angeles.

2.2 R. Garcia announced: The 10th Annual Cal State L.A. Student Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity will take place on March 1. All students, all majors, undergraduates and graduates are invited to share their projects and research papers. Oral presentations will be in the Engineering and Technology Building from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and poster presentations will be in the Fine Arts Gallery from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The entire campus community is invited to attend and support our students’ research, scholarship and creative activity.

3.0 Intent to Raise Questions

3.1 None.

4.0 Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting on January 10, 2002

4.1 M/s/p to approve the minutes.

5.0 Report from Executive Committee

5.1 R. Garcia reported:

The Faculty Policy Committee has recommended the deletion of the policy/procedures in the Faculty Handbook on the “Regulation for Continuance in Employment Beyond Age 70 for Tenured Faculty Members.”
The Faculty Policy Committee has recommended a revision in the policy and procedures for awarding Emeritus Status. The proposed revision no longer makes it mandatory that all retiring faculty must be considered for Emeritus Status. It also eliminates the review by the college committee.

The report of the Task Force on the Governance of the Academic Senate has been discussed by the Executive Committee and is currently being reviewed by the Academic Senate. Some of the questions raised in the report are:

a. Should there be a mission statement? If so, what?
b. What should the style of the Senate be? Policy only? Or broader issues?
c. What should its membership be? Should chairs of standing committees be included? What about membership for part-time faculty and staff?

The Committee on Committees has proposed the formation of a new committee with a new charge, namely the Traffic and Parking Committee.

6.0 Approval of the Agenda

6.1 M/s/p to approve the agenda.

7.0 Business

7.1 Textbooks on Reserve in the Library

Wayne Gladish, Faculty-User Services, provided an overview of the program and procedures that faculty need to follow when ordering textbooks and placing them on reserve. He stated that the Library has no systematic approach to buying books and that a considerable amount of advance notice is needed in order to process the orders in a timely manner. A textbook request form is available on the Library’s website.

A brief discussion ensued regarding the average cost of today’s textbooks. It was agreed that this service should be publicized more to students and faculty. R. Garcia will draft a response to the Executive Committee.

7.2 High Pressure Groups

The issue of high pressure groups on campus were discussed and the process in place for reporting them. Vice President Ross will contact the Center for Student Development to follow up on how a particular complaint was handled. J. D. Lombardi will give a report at the next meeting on how these issues are dealt with at other CSU campuses.

8.0 Other

8.1 None.

9.0 Adjournment

9.1 M/s/p to adjourn at 2:55 p.m.