May 13, 2008

D. Lee, H. K. Moo-Young, V. Villa          ABSENT
D. Dewey, S. Herrera, B. Yorker          EXCUSED ABSENCE
K. Baaske convened the meeting at 1:33 p.m.

1. 1.1 The Chair’s Announcements:

1.1.1 I am pleased to report that Gretchen Peterson, Department of Sociology, has been elected by the Academic Senate to serve on the Intercollegiate Athletics Board for a four-year term ending in Summer Quarter, 2012.

1.1.2 On Thursday, May 15, the ORSP Café will feature Jamil Momand, Professor of Chemistry and Biochemistry, presenting a lecture titled “Afghanistan…Life between a Rock and a Hard Place” in the University Club, at 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.

1.1.3 A Faculty Development workshop on “Meeting the Needs of Students with Disabilities” will be held on Monday, May 19, from noon to 2:00 p.m. in Salazar Hall C 363. Presenters Diane Fazzi, Tomas Vasquez, and Flavio Argueta will discuss such issues as universal design, faculty responsibilities for meeting the needs of students with disabilities and how faculty can make their instructional materials more accessible.

1.1.4 You should have all received a joint memo from the Provost and me reminding you that this year two University Commencement Ceremonies will be held. On Friday evening, June 6th, at 5:00 p.m. Commencement will be held for graduate and undergraduate students in the Charter College of Education, the College of Engineering, Computer Science, and Technology, and the College of Health and Human Services. On Saturday morning, June 7th, at 8:00 a.m., Commencement will be held for graduate and undergraduate students in the College of Arts and Letters, the College of Business and Economics, and the College of Natural and Social Sciences. We invite you to celebrate their achievements and honor your former students by participating in Commencement in academic regalia.

1.1.5 I would like to remind everyone that the President’s State of the University Address is scheduled to be held at the Senate meeting next week and there will be a question and answer period following the address. The entire campus community is invited, so please encourage your colleagues to attend.

1.1.6 Sunday evening is the Phi Kappa Phi Annual Banquet. If you are a faculty member of the Phi Kappa Phi please join us in honoring students who have excelled by becoming members of Phi Kappa Phi.

1.1.7 This is Bike to Work Week. I found out today that it started yesterday and Thursday is Bike to Work Day. I won’t be doing that but maybe some of you will.

1.1.8 This Friday morning there is a Campus Conversation on G.E. in the Golden Eagle Ballroom. I hope you are available and will be able to come and converse with your colleagues about the general education program on this campus.

1.2 The Vice Chair’s Announcements:

1.2.1 Daniel Frankl (Kinesiology and Nutritional Sciences) has accepted appointment by the Nominations Committee to serve on the Fiscal Policy Committee for a three-year term ending Summer Quarter, 2011.

1.2.2 The following faculty have accepted appointment by the Nominations Committee
ANNOUNCEMENTS (Continued)

to serve on the 2008-2009 Outstanding Professor Awards Selection Committee for one year terms ending Summer Quarter, 2009: Sherwood Best (Special Education and Counseling), Martin Brodwin (Special Education and Counseling), Ruben Quintero (English), Domnita Dumitrescu (Modern Languages and Literature), Durrell Guillaume (Mechanical Engineering).

1.2.2 Dionne Espinoza (Chicano Studies) has accepted appointment by the Nominations Committee to serve on the Chancellor’s Doctoral Incentive Program for a three-year term ending Summer Quarter, 2011.

1.2.3 Ray Shackelford (Technology) has accepted appointment by the Nominations Committee to serve on the Risk Management and Safety Committee for a three-year term ending Summer Quarter, 2011.

2.3 Senator Monte announced: Next Monday, May 19th, we are having a student blackout rally. It is going to be a protest against the state budget and the fee increase.

2.4 Senator Greenburg announced: Mozart’s Magic Flute is being performed at the Luckman Theatre this weekend. There are performances Thursday, Friday and Saturday evening and a matinee on Sunday. It is a full production with a full Orchestra. I went to the rehearsal last night and it is just wonderful.

Also, there is an interdisciplinary multimedia performance called “How ‘Bout Now?” that is being performed in the music building patio, tomorrow and Thursday evening at 8:00 p.m. It is a collaboration by students and faculty from Theatre Arts and Dance, Music, and TV and Film. It is an original performance about how we communicate and it’s just crazy.

Since the President’s Address is next week, I will announce today there is going to be a spring dance called “The Daily Grind,” held in the State Playhouse next weekend. It is choreographed by Frit and Frat Fuller. That’s next weekend, on Thursday and Friday evening and Saturday.

INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS

3. Senator Greenburg announced On behalf of Senator Shiz Herrera, who is unable to be here today, I am raising the following questions of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs:

Does the University use the graduation general audience ticketing to anticipate attendance?

If so, what system does the University have to account for those tickets released?

My suggestion, in this time of budget concerns, is to have the gates open at 6:45 p.m. (or whatever time is convenient) for general seating – first come, first served. The concern comes from the black market that we have created by selling free graduation tickets.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

4. It was m/s/p (Moss) to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 6, 2008 (ASM 07-16).

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

5. It was m/s/p (Garcia) to approve the agenda.
6.1 Cheryl Cruz, Mary Pat McEnrue, Rika Houston, and Jose Perez-Carballo were nominated for the Business and Economics position.

6.2 It was m/s/p (Garcia) to close nominations.

6.3 Edward Lopez, Pera Jambazian, Nancy Cohick, Ray De Leon, and Andy Cornwell were nominated for the Health and Human Services position.

6.4 It was m/s/p (Land) to close nominations.

6.5 Christine Gladish, Catherine Haras, Mary Diaz, and Teresa Omidsalar were nominated for the Library and Student Affairs position.

6.6 It was m/s/p (Land) to close nominations.

7. Jennifer Faust, Acting Director, Faculty Affairs, presented a report on the plans for the faculty affairs area. A question and answer period followed.


9.1 S. Ulanoff, Chair of the Faculty Policy Committee, reported that the Faculty Policy Committee’s reference to “full-time faculty” on line 9 of document 07-10 was discussed by the Committee and it was agreed that it should be changed to “tenured and tenure-track faculty.”

9.2 It was agreed by consensus to accept the recommendation made by the Faculty Policy Committee as an editorial amendment.

9.3 The recommendation was APROVED (Unanimously) as amended 07-10. Copies of the document are available in the Senate Office.

10. It was m/s/p (Hunt) to adjourn at 2:44 p.m.