1.1 The Chair’s Announcements:

1.1.1 On April 9, 2009, we received the following memo from President Rosser:
“I am in receipt of the Resolution of Principles Regarding Possible Conversion to Semesters. I will provide the document to the Ad Hoc Planning Committee on Possible Conversion to Semesters to assist it in the development of planning assumptions and guidelines.”

1.1.2 On April 15, 2009, President Rosser returned unsigned the proposed policy on Freedom of Expression, Faculty Handbook, Chapter III. His statement reads:
“I am returning the proposed policy unsigned. I would be willing to sign the proposed policy with the following modifications.

“Under Section I. Preamble, modify line 10 to read:
SIGNIFICANTLY OR MATERIALLY DISRUPT NORMAL ACTIVITIES OR….

“Under Section II. General Provisions, delete lines 42-27:
UNLESS LEGALLY REQUIRED TO DO SO, CSULA DOES NOT SUPPORT COOPERATION WITH INDIVIDUALS, ORGANIZATIONS, OR AGENCIES THAT DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY INVESTIGATE, SURREPTITIOUSLY MONITOR, INFILTRATE ORGANIZATIONS OR HARASS PERSONS LEGITIMATELY EXERCISING THEIR CONSTITUTIONAL PREROGATIVES OF FREE SPEECH AND ASSEMBLY.”

This document is on today’s Senate agenda as a first-reading item

1.1.3 On April 15, 2009, President Rosser also sent the following memo, subject: Academic Senate Recommendations for Implementation of the Proposed Policy on Freedom of Expression, Faculty Handbook, Chapter III:

“Thank you for the above titled document. It was instrumental in the development of the administrative policy and procedure regarding Time, Place, and Manner of Free Expression.”

1.1.4 The President also sent a second memo, subject: Policy on Time, Place, and Manner of Free Expression, which reads:

“After our discussion, I have approved the implementation of the Policy on Time, Place and Manner of Free Expression as an administrative policy and procedure.

I thank the Academic Senate for its valuable input.”

1.1.5 Following is the response from Vice President Pardon to the question raised by Senator Moss at the Senate meeting on March 10, 2009:

Question:
“What steps has the University taken to reduce our overall carbon footprint, from 2008 levels.”
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Response:
“Projects completed, under design, or being evaluated to reduce our carbon footprint are:

- The study and redesign of the campus’ Central Plant. This has been done through a process known as Monitoring Based Commissioning. Over 25% of the total campus carbon footprint is directly attributable to the building air-conditioning and heating systems. The result of this project plus two similar projects in King Hall and the Administration building in the preceding year have resulted in the avoidance of 1,303 metric tons of greenhouse gas.

- Replaced the window film on the south side windows of King Hall, Fine Arts, Salazar Hall, PE, and Music as well as replaced the window coverings on all windows in the following buildings: King Hall, Biological Sciences, Simpson Tower, Salazar Hall, and Fine Arts. These improvements reduce the heat load which reduces cooling demands, thereby diminishing the carbon footprint.

- Recycling of waste materials; Utilization of recycled products; and Use of sustainable cleaning products.

- The campus has entered into an agreement to install approximately 500 kilowatts of photovoltaic power on campus. The photovoltaic panels will be placed on the roofs of Salazar Hall, the Physical Education building, and Fine Arts. This project is currently scheduled to be completed by the 4th quarter of 2010.

- A project is being evaluated that would develop new photovoltaic cell and battery power systems in Parking Structures A and C to power LED lighting that would be installed in the structures, removing these structures from reliance on fossil fuel generated power.

“Please let me know if additional information is needed.”

1.1.6 I am pleased to announce that I have been elected to serve as Statewide Senator for another three-year term ending in 2012.

1.1.7 A Chess Tournament with a $500 Bookstore Gift Certificate prize will be held on Monday, May 11th, 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Student Union. All Cal State L.A. students, faculty and staff are welcome to participate in this event sponsored by the Friends of the Library and the RhetOracles student organization. You must register in advance through the Library website by May 4th:

www.calstatela.edu/library

1.1.8 The Friends of the Library Annual Used Book sale will take place on Tuesday, May 5th, from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., outside near the entrance to the Library.

1.1.9 The American Communities Program will present a roundtable discussion on Barack Obama’s First 100 Days on Wednesday, May 6th, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the Los Angeles Room of the University-Student Union. Panelists include Professor Melina Abdullah, Pan African Studies; Erin Aubrey Kaplan, Journalist, LA Time and LA Weekly; Madeline Brand, Broadcast Journalist; and Dean Philip Romero, of Business and Economics.

1.1.10 At next Tuesday’s Senate meeting, President Rosser will present the annual State of the University Address. The entire campus community is invited, so please let your colleagues know.
1.1.11 The last announcement is a personal note of thanks from me so that it will be recorded in the minutes. I want to acknowledge the repairs and remodeling that have been done to this room. It is good to know that needed and sometimes long delayed repairs to the physical plant are still being undertaken as part of the strategic planning process on our campus.

1.2 Senator Raychaudhuri announced: The Department of Math has a new blended option combined with the credential and we will be taking students in the fall quarter.

1.3 Senator Moss announced: The Annual Undergraduate Art Exhibit is on exhibit in the Fine Arts Galley next door. There is some very fine art in it and I encourage you to take a look.

1.4 Senator Ledesma announced: The election for the CFA Board of Directors is taking place. If you are a member, you received an e-mail on it. If you have any questions, you can contact Mary Diaz, Chair of the Elections Committee.

I distributed to all of you a package of documents on the ballot measures. The one on blue paper is the CFA position on the May 19 special election on proposition 1A. CFA is urging a “NO” vote on 1A. The white paper that is included is an opinion from today’s L.A. Times written by Phil Angelides, “The false promise of Prop 1A.” I also gave you a gold sheet with a pledge card on the bottom that you can fill-out and tear-off and give to me before you leave today, or send it to me. It is a pledge to vote “NO” on 1A and we have a goal to collect 100 pledges from the campus.

1.5 P. LaPolt announced: CSLA is hosting the 23rd CSU Annual Research Competition this weekend, Friday and Saturday; on Friday from noon to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to noon. You are all encouraged to attend and I want to thank those of you who are participating as moderators at the event.

1.6 Senator Andre-Bechely announced: On Friday, May 8th, the Charter College of Education and the new Ed.D. program is going to host an all day faculty development workshop to identify leadership issues in education from 10:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. We are serving pizza for lunch. If you plan to join us please let us know so that we can order enough pizza.

1.7 Senator Ledesma announced: The School of Social Work is hosting the 7th Annual Margarita Mendez Lecture in Social Work on Friday May 8th, from 9:00 to 1:00 p.m. at the Golden Eagle. The speaker is Alex Morales who is the President and CEO of the Children’s Bureau of Los Angeles.

1.8 Senator Falvey announced: The Charter College of Education is also hosting, on May 5th, “The Day of the Teacher.” Everybody is welcome to come. I don’t know if people are aware that the credential candidates are not walking for graduation so we always do something for them. It is also the NEA Day of the Teacher.

2. Senator Hunt announced her intention to raise the following question of the Vice President for Student Affairs on behalf of Senator Zepeda who could not attend today’s meeting:

As per the university policy (2007-09 CSULA Catalog), “Students who fail to take and pass the WPE within the required time limit of 135 units will have a hold placed on their records, which will preclude them from enrolling in any courses until the WPE requirement is satisfied.” The Department of Child and Family Studies has received funding from Los Angeles Universal Preschool to closely track and monitor the progress of transfer students pursuing careers in early childhood education. In overseeing this effort, it has come to our attention that some students, admitted in Summer of 2008, have neither attempted nor passed the WPE.
INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS
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My question is: Why is the University not enforcing this important policy? This policy is one of our important early warning signs regarding student progress and its enforcement will assist students reach their degree goals in a timely and efficient manner.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

3. It was m/s/p (Garcia) to approve the minutes of the meeting of April 7, 2009 (ASM 08-14).

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

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5. Statewide Senator Baaske presented the report. A question and answer period followed.

STATE OF THE UNIVERSITY LIBRARY ADDRESS
Presented by Alice Kawakami, University Librarian

6. The State of the University Library Address was presented by Alice Kawakami, University Librarian. A question and answer period followed.

PROPOSED POLICY RETURNED UNSIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT:
FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION, FACULTY HANDBOOK, CHAPTER III (08-12)
First-Reading

7. It was m/s/ (Bowman) to approve the recommendation (08-12).

PROPOSED POLICY: INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, FACULTY HANDBOOK, CHAPTER VIII (08-13)
First-Reading

8. 8.1 It was m/s/ (Dewey) to approve the recommendation (08-13).

8.2 It was m/s/p (Garcia) to continue this item on the agenda as a first-reading item.

ADJOURNMENT

9. It was m/s/p (Hunt) to adjourn at 3:14 p.m.