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R. Land convened the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

1. The Chair’s Announcements:

   1.1 I am pleased to report that the Academic Senate has elected Cheryl Koos, Department of History, to serve on the Ad Hoc Advisory Selection Committee for the Dean of the College of Arts and Letters.

   1.2 Electronic ballots for the Senate election for one male faculty member to serve on the Intercollegiate Athletics Board will be sent to all Senators tomorrow, May 19th, and will close at midnight on Friday, May 21st.

   1.3 At next Tuesday’s Senate meeting, President Rosser will present the Annual State of the University Address followed by a question and answer period. The entire campus community is invited to attend, so please let your colleagues know.

1. The Vice Chair’s Announcements:

   The following faculty members have accepted appointment by the Nominations Committee to serve on the 2010-2011 Outstanding Professor Awards Selection Committee for one-year terms ending Summer Quarter, 2011: Manuel Aguilar-Moreno (Art), David Diaz (Chicano Studies), Holly Yu (Library), Wayne Tikkanen (Chemistry and Biochemistry), Harmit Singh (Kinesiology and Nutritional Science).

   1.4 Senator Moss announced: On exhibition at the moment in the Fine Arts Gallery is graduate thesis project work from studio art and design graduate students who are finished with their thesis projects, so I encourage you all to come.

   1.5 Senator Classen announced: The 11th Annual Golden Eagle Film Festival will be held on May 22nd. There will be a reception from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. and film screenings will begin at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are free, so please come.

   1.6 Senator Bowman announced: Thursday, May 27th from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. there will be a special presentation in the University-Student Union Theatre. There is a group by the name of Path to Reform traveling throughout California talking about California governance and structural reform of the constitution and other issues. I encourage you to invite your students and faculty are invited as well. It is co-sponsored by the ASI, the Political Science Association, and the Pat Brown Institute. It is an interactive event to encourage students to take part in an interactive website.

   1.7 Senator King announced: Next Wednesday, May 26th, the CFA is sponsoring a rally to stand up for public education, “Graduation not Incarceration.” California spends more on prisons than higher education. It is from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. next Wednesday in the Salazar Quad. There will be flyer at the back of the room.

   1.8 Rahul Gupta, College of Business and Economics Representative announced: Tomorrow from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the University-Student Union, there will be a symposium in the Los Angeles Room. We are going to have the Annual Leadership Symposium for the Charter College, so come and support your college.
ANNOUNCEMENTS (Continued)

1.8 Senator Allison announced: We are having our dance concert Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at the Luckman. Please come out. There is a high level of work and you will enjoy it.

1.9 Senator Soldatenko announced: We will have a discussion about AB540, it is on undocumented students, tomorrow beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Gerontology Center.

INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS

2. Senator Frank announced her intent to raise the following question of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs: What is University policy for setting staff work schedules taking into account the needs of faculty?

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

3. 3.1 It was m/s/ (Moss) to approve the minutes.

3.2 Senator Classen indicated that the date in item 1.5 should be May 22nd, not May 20th.

3.3 The minutes were approved as amended.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

SENATE CHAIR’S REPORT

5. Chair Land presented his report.

UTOPIA IN RUINS: ANCIENT AND MODERN MEXICO IN THE NOVELS OF CARLOS FUENTES, 1958-2008

Presented by Roberto Cantu, the 2010 President’s Distinguished Professor

6. The 2010 President’s Distinguished Professor, Roberto Cantu, presented a lecture on “Utopia in Ruins: Ancient and Modern Mexico in the Novels of Carlos Fuentes, 1958-2008.” A brief question and answer period followed.

ADJOURNMENT

7. It was m/s/p (Bowman) to adjourn at 3:10 p.m.