

**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES**  
**Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs**

**ACADEMIC SENATE, STUDENT POLICY COMMITTEE**

April 26, 2007, 1:30 - 3:10 p.m., SA 110

**MINUTES**

**Present:** J. Hong, R. Joseph, S. Mulherin, V. Talavera-Bustillos, G. Washington,  
L. Whitcomb, L. Williams

**Excused:** J. Kennedy, G. Peterson, A. Ross, C. Uyeki

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by G. Washington, Chair, at 1:37 p.m.

2. Introductions

A few new members to the committee introduced themselves.

3. Announcements

G. Washington announced the following events and encouraged all to attend.

- May 10, 2007 is our last meeting of the year
- Save the date: Student Appreciation Reception, May 24, 2007, GE Ballroom

4. Intent to Raise Questions

4.1. R. Joseph, on behalf of the Charter College of Education asked the following question, *as co-chair of Governance for Student Safety, why are windows nailed shut? Is it for safety reasons, or for temperature control? Based on the Virginia Tech incident, students crawled out the windows as it was their only way out.*

4.2. "What is the University doing regarding people that walk into classrooms going through trash cans and asking students for money?"

4.3. "How often is a student's priority registration status re-evaluated?" Last policy revision was in 2001.

4.4. "When will summer registration be posted?"

5. Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting of April 12, 2007

M/S/P approval of minutes.

6. Approval of the Agenda

M/S/P approval of agenda with a correction to move item #7.6 to 8.

7. Liaison Reports

7.1. Executive Committee

L. Whitcomb reported that the Senate Exec is discussing with S. Garcia and University Auxiliary, Inc., the transition of employees from UAS to stateside.

The academic senate is also discussing text book prices. A proposal will be shared with all members and will be added to their agenda at their next meeting.

8. Freedom of Speech Administrative Policy

Members expressed concern that the administrative draft of a “Freedom of Expression Policy” had not been received. The system wide CSU Handbook of Free Speech Issues, the President’s Directive Regarding the use of State University Buildings and Grounds” and a copy of a proposed Freedom of Expression Policy recently sent to the Academic Senate at San Diego State was distributed to members. The committee was asked to use all three documents as resources to stimulate and facilitate thought by comparing and contrasting content. This will serve as a starting point while waiting for the proposed CSULA Administrative Freedom of Expression Policy. R. Joseph volunteered to create a comparative reading/analysis grid with summary questions to make it easier for committee members. Each member was asked to identify a specific content area (via e-mail) for which they will be responsible.

9. Adjournment

M/s/p to adjourn at 2:45 p.m.