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ABSENT

G. Angelo, D. Cardoza, M. Cates

EXCUSED ABSENCE

R. Garcia convened the meeting at 1:32 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. 1.1 The Chair's Announcements:

1.1.1 I am pleased to report that Marshall Cates, Department of Mathematics, has been re-elected to serve as Statewide Senator for a three-year term ending in 2008.

1.1.2 On April 14, 2005, President Rosser sent the following memo regarding the Senate's Proposal for Visual Recognition of Ruben Salazar:

"I am in receipt of your memo regarding the Proposal for Visual Recognition of Ruben Salazar. As per Administrative Procedure 007, Item 5.4, requests for signage and graphics must be reviewed by the Campus Physical Planning Committee. The Committee then makes its recommendation to me. By copy of this memo, I am requesting that the Committee expedite its review and recommendation of your request."

1.1.2 The ASI Board of Directors has appointed Kenneth S. Lee and Miguel Reyes to serve as Postbaccalaureate Senators through Summer, 2005.

1.1.3 Next Wednesday, May 11th there will be a Faculty Colloquium on "Discussions of Homeland Security," in the Golden Eagle 3rd Floor Ballroom, at 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. The presenters include Susan Crimmins, School of Social Work; Keith Mew, Department of Technology; Kathryn Alesandrini,; Division of Applied and Advanced Studies in Education; Paul Narguizian, Division of Curriculum and Instruction; and Ludwig Slusky and Parviz Partow-Navid, Department of Information Systems; and the moderator will be J. Theodore Anagnoson. The Colloquium will cover a wide range of security issues including such things as cyber crime, bioterrorism, and airport security. All faculty are invited to attend.

1.1.4 On Thursday, May 12, there will be a faculty workshop on "Strategies for Assessing Student Learning Outcomes in Degree Programs," presented by Anne L. Hafner, CSULA Assessment Coordinator. The workshop will be held at 10:00 a.m. to noon, in King Hall D 1053. Topics will include student learning outcomes, assessment strategies for courses and programs, assessment plans, use of direct outcomes, and feedback mechanisms. Anyone interested in attending is requested to rsvp to Anne Hafner by calling ext. 3.4361 or sending an email to ehafner@calstatela.edu. There is a flyer in the back of the room.

1.1.5 The Executive Committee of the Academic Senate has received a number of inquiries from faculty asking who controls the class size. Faculty are responsible for developing and implementing the curriculum, and they decide the mode of instruction and the appropriate class size (C factor) for courses. Any change in class size beyond that approved in the course proposal or current course modification is a workload issue as well as a faculty rights issue.

1.2 The Vice Chair's Announcements:

Ann Wood (Division of Applied and Advanced Studies in Education) and Catherine Haras (Library) have accepted appointment by the Nominations Committee to the University Student Grievance Committee, terms ending Summer, 2005.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Continued)

1.3 Senator Zepeda announced: The Chicana/Chicano Latina/Latino Faculty Association extends an invitation to the University community to join us at a Reception honoring Raymond Garcia for his service as Chair of the Academic Senate next Tuesday, May 10th, 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. in the Library Basement Conference Room/Patio. He is the first Latino Chair of the Academic Senate at Cal State L.A.

1.4 Senator Ledesma announced: Friday, May 06, 2005, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., The School of Social work will be honoring Dr. Terrence Roberts, who earned an undergraduate degree in Social Work at Cal State L.A. and went on to USC to earn an MSW and Ph.D. Dr. Roberts participated in the desegregation of Central High School in Little Rock, Arkansas—part of the group that became known as the “Little Rock Nine.” The lecture will be held in the Golden Eagle Ballroom. General Admission, \$25; students, \$10. A continental breakfast and light lunch will be served. Tickets are available in the Social Work Office ST 816.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

2. It was m/s/p (Zepeda) to approve the minutes of the meeting of April 12, 2005 (ASM 04-12).

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

3. It was m/s/p (Dewey) to approve the agenda.

RESOLUTION OF COMMENDATION
FOR WILLAM A. TAYLOR

4. It was m/s/p UNANIMOUSLY (Anagnoson) to approve the following Resolution of Commendation for William A. Taylor:

WHEREAS William A. Taylor has retired from Cal State Los Angeles after 34 years of dedicated and distinguished service to the Department, College, and University; and

WHEREAS He served as Professor of Physics, Associate Dean of the College of Letters and Science, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs—Planning and Resources, Acting Vice President for Academic Affairs, and, most recently, as Chair of both the Academic Senate and the Department of Physics and Astronomy; and

WHEREAS He was known as Associate VPAA for the “black hole” into which all documents sent to the 7th floor of the Administration building eventually fell, something we attributed to his background as a physicist, only to find when he left that position that every occupant of every office on the 7th floor of the Administration building had his or her own “black hole”; and

WHEREAS He began a number of innovative programs for students of the sciences, including designating CSULA as the first public university campus to host the Southern California Conference on Undergraduate Research, and co-founding the University Preparatory Program, established in 1989 to increase the number of underrepresented minority students who major in science- and mathematics-based fields; and

WHEREAS He has taught 44 different courses and laboratories over his 34 year career, supervised many students in their graduate work, and was principal or co-principal investigator for grants totaling more than a million dollars; and

WHEREAS He assumed with reluctance the position of Chair of the Academic Senate, fulfilling from 2000 to 2002 that position with the same level of competence, integrity, and wisdom that characterized his former administrative positions, although we note that he dealt entirely too much during his term with issues of “accountability measures”; and

WHEREAS While Chair of the Academic Senate, he co-chaired the task force that produced the single most important document produced in the last decade on the future of the faculty at Cal State Los Angeles, the "Faculty Utilization Report," wherein three faculty and three administrators agreed unanimously that the campus needed to have substantially more full-time tenured and tenure-track faculty; and

WHEREAS He received the Cal State L.A. Outstanding Professor Award for 2001-2002, and was cited for his "leadership and commitment to academics," preceded by his election as "Faculty of the Year" by the CSULA Associated Students, Inc., in 1998; therefore, be it

RESOLVED That the Academic Senate of California State University, Los Angeles, honor William A. Taylor on the occasion of his retirement from the California State University, express to him its sincere thanks for his absolutely outstanding and dedicated service on both the 3rd and the 7th floors of the Administration building, and extend its best wishes to him in his new occupation of antique shop proprietor, not to mention prospective Chair of the Department of Physics and Astronomy.

6. J. Theodore Anagnoson, Professor of Political Science and the 2005 President's Distinguished Professor, presented a lecture on "Can We Afford to Grow Old?" A question and answer period followed.

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

RESOLUTION ON OF COMMENDATION FOR WILLIAM A. TAYLOR
(Continued)

"CAN WE AFFORD TO GROW OLD?"
*Presented by J. Theodore Anagnoson,
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ADJOURNMENT