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ABSENT

J. Benedict, S. Bowman

EXCUSED ABSENCE

R. Garcia convened the meeting at 1:36 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. 1.1 The Chair's Announcements:

1.1.1 Following is the response from Provost Lujan to the question raised by Senator Anagnoson at the Academic Senate meeting on January 17, 2006:

Question:

This question is for the Provost and concerns the final exam schedule for Winter 2006. For the Monday only classes that begin at 6:00 p.m., the final exam is being given on Wednesday night, and for the Wednesday 6:00 p.m. classes the exams are being given Friday evening. Is there some reason why we cannot have the Monday only classes moved to Friday night or Saturday, thus not disturbing Wednesday and giving more time for the students to prepare their exams than the two days we have now between Monday and Wednesday? This is particularly relevant because next year January 1st is on a Monday, so that we will be starting school some time in the middle of the week, and we will have the same problem again with final exam week.

Response:

The pattern of final exams used for Winter Quarter, 2006, is one that has been utilized by the campus in previous quarters when the calendar required final exams to begin on a Tuesday, the last occasion being Spring Quarter, 2003. Every effort is made to assure a schedule that promotes effective administration of final exams. The suggestion made by the Senator have merit, and will be considered in future final exam scheduling.

1.1.2 The campus community is invited to a reception in honor of Carlos Gutiérrez, Professor of Chemistry and the CASE/Carnegie Foundation "2005 U.S. Professor of the Year" today at 3:15 to 4:15 p.m. in the Golden Eagle Ballroom.

1.2 Senator McQueen announced: I want to let you know that two of our biological sciences faculty members, Carlos Robles and Robert Desharnais, have been selected to receive awards from the Quality Education for Minorities (QEM) Network. Carlos Robles has been selected to receive one of the Giants in Science Awards from the QEM Network. The Giants in Science Award recognizes individuals who have made a significant impact on students and their participation in math, science and engineering (MSE) fields, have made a significant impact on and/or influenced MSE-related public policy, and who have made significant contributions to one or more MSE disciplines. Robert Desharnais has been selected to receive the Richard Nicholson Award for Excellence in Science Teaching. The Richard Nicholson Award is given to an individual who has high standards and expectations for all students, demonstrates effective use of innovation, hands-on instructional techniques in the classroom, has successfully integrated technology into the classroom, has demonstrated leadership and effectiveness as a teacher, and is a faculty member who seeks to meet the highest professional and curriculum standards through regular participation in professional development activities.

This is the first time any campus has received two of these awards in the same year.

2. None.

INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS

3. It was m/s/p (Koch) to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 7, 2006 (ASM 05-10).

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

ACADEMIC SENATE CSU: NOMINA-
TIONS FOR ONE POSITION, TERM
ENDING 2009

WASC ACCREDITATION: THE NEW
MODEL FOR ACCREDITATION
*Presented by the WASC Proposal Working
Group - J. T. Anagnoson, S. Cash, D. Cuneo,
A. Hafner, R. Nakamura, C. Selkin*

PROPOSED POLICY MODIFICATION:
INCOMPLETE GRADES, FACULTY
HANDBOOK, CHAPTER V (05-5)
First-Reading

PROPOSED POLICY MODIFICATION:
FACULTY PERCEPTIONS OF THE
PERFORMANCE OF ADMINISTRA-
TORS, FACULTY HANDBOOK,
CHAPTER III (05-4)
*Second- Reading
Forwarded to the President*

ADJOURNMENT

4. It was m/s/p (Koch) to approve the agenda.
5. 5.1 Senators Robert Land and Kevin Baaske were nominated.
5.2 It was m/s/p (Schaeffer) to close nominations.
6. A PowerPoint presentation was presented and a survey was distributed. A question and answer period followed.
7. It was m/s/ (Dewey) to approve the recommendation (05-5).
8. The recommendation was APPROVED (05-4). Copies of the document are available in the Senate Office.
9. It was m/s/p (Schaeffer) to adjourn at 2:20 p.m.