CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES January 15, 2008 ASM 07-7 Approved January 22, 2008

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ABSENT

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**EXCUSED ABSENCE** 

K. Baaske convened the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

- 1. 1.1 The Chair's Announcements:
  - 1.1.1 Included in your agenda package for today's meeting is the Senate membership list for the Winter Quarter. There is a change to the list: for the College of Natural and Social Sciences, Sandra Sharp will be replaced by Beth Baker-Cristales.
  - 1.1.2 Ake Sandler, Emeritus Professor of Political Science, died at his home on January 2, 2008. He taught at CSULA full-time from 1949 to 1980 then continued teaching as a FERP until about 1986. There will be a memorial service on Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, at 2:00 p.m., at the Village Church, 343 Church Lane, Brentwood, CA 90049.
  - 1.1.3 On November 29, 2007, President Rosser approved the Senate recommendation to modify the policy on Department/Division Chairs and School Directors, <u>Faculty Handbook</u>, Chapter III, and the policy on Academic Honesty, <u>Faculty Handbook</u>, Chapter V. On November 30<sup>th</sup> the President approved the modification of the membership of the Fiscal Policy Committee, <u>Faculty Handbook</u>, Chapter II. The recommendations are effective Winter Quarter, 2008, and the online Handbook has been updated.
  - 1.1.4 I am pleased to report that as a result of the university-wide election held at the end of the fall quarter, the following faculty members have been elected to serve on the 2007-2008 University Sabbatical Leave Committee: David Connors (Arts and Letters), Nikolai Pulchritudoff (Business and Economics), Kenneth Ryan (Library), Diane Klein (Education), Keith Mew (Engineering, Computer Science, and Technology), Patricia Chin (Health and Human Services), and Timothy Lim (Natural and Social Sciences).
  - 1.1.5 Steve LaDochy (Geography and Urban Analysis) has agreed to serve on the Nominations Committee as an alternate for Greg Andranovich for the Winter and Spring Quarters, 2008, and Ambika Gopalakrishnan (Curriculum and Instruction) has agreed to serve on the Nominations Committee as an alternate for Lia Kamhi-Stein for the Winter Quarter, 2008.
  - 1.1.6 You are invited to a free seminar "Teaching the 21st Century Student: Technology, Information Literacy and Student Learning," sponsored by the Faculty Development Center, Academic Affairs, and the CSULA Information Literacy Advisory Committee. It will take place on Friday, February 29, 2008, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Golden Eagle Ballroom. Speakers include: Lorie Roth, Asst. Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs-Academic Programs, John Seeley Brown, author of the Social Life of Information, and a panel of CSULA faculty. A link to the registration form will be sent in a campus-wide email.
  - 1.1.7 We all received in our mail boxes today information about a new tool for faculty e-mail communication with students. You can click on the roster and it will automatically email all of your students. I tried it just before this meeting, and it didn't work. I thought I should share that with you. The emails are separated with a comma instead of a semi-colon, so I emailed Vice President Quan. Once that is fixed, it will be a great addition. Messages sent using this system will be

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addressed to students' campus email accounts, the ones the students should be using, but apparently it can go to other e-mail accounts too.

1.1.8 I received a memo issued by the Chancellor's Office about the budget, which probably won't come as a surprise to you, but I will read the first paragraph: "(Jan. 10, 2008) – In acknowledgement of a \$14 billion budget deficit facing California, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger today proposed a \$312.9 million cut to the California State University budget approved by the CSU Board of Trustees for 2008/09 fiscal year. The proposed budget fails to fund access to 10,000 students; \$36 million in mandatory costs including employee health benefits, and compensation agreements for CSU faculty and staff."

I met with the Provost and the President on Friday to talk about the budget. I am hopeful that soon we can have a presentation on the budget in the Senate but the Board of Trustees won't have a meeting until March so it will be after that meeting. The Senate Executive Committee will be discussing the budget as will the Fiscal Policy Committee.

1.1.9 Following today's meeting members of the Executive Committee are requested to meet at the front of the lecture hall.

## 1.2 The Vice Chair's Announcements

- 1.2.1 On November 29, 2007 President Rosser approved the recommendation of the Nominations Committee to appoint Ms. Ann Bailey to serve as a public member on the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee.
- 1.2.2 Daphne Liu (Mathematics) has accepted appointment by the Nominations Committee to serve on the 2007-2008 Outstanding Professor Awards Committee as a replacement for Lia Kamhi-Stein.
- 1.3 Senator Garcia announced: The 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Cal State L.A. Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity is scheduled for February 29, 2008. Students can enter by submitting a 200 word abstract of their work, along with a registration form, by Friday, January 25, 2008, 5:00 p.m. The application form and guidelines are available on the ORSP website (Office of Research and Sponsored programs website).
- 1.4 Senator Patrick Sharp announced: On Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at approximately 2:00 p.m., a banner for the student organization, The Queer Connection (or TQC), was taken down from the railing in front of King Hall and was set on fire (it was on the northwest side facing the music building. According to a student report, the TQC banner was one of three posted in front of King Hall at the time but it was the only banner that was taken down and burned. According to two students who reported the incident, this was not the first time that the TQC banner was tampered with. In a previous incident, the banner simply disappeared from its place on the railing. In past years, flyers from TQC that were posted on the bulletin board of the Center for the Study of Genders and Sexualities have bee defaced with negative comments. These incidents were reported to the Campus Police and counted as "vandalism," as was the most recent incident. It is important that we as faculty make it clear that we will not tolerate homophobia on this campus. The act of burning the TQC banner suggests a higher level of hostility than marking up a flyer, and had the potential to be very dangerous should it have gotten out of control. The Center for the Study of Gender and Sexualities ask that you speak to your students and colleagues about this incident and make clear that this kind of behavior is unacceptable and that we can do better.

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- 1.5 Senator Moss announced: I wanted to bring your attention to the Fine Arts Gallery Student Design Exhibition. It is an exhibition of student graphic design work from twelve design schools in the L.A. area including all of the CSU's. Cal State L.A. is represented as well as all of the private arts colleges. It is free so come check it out.
- 1.6 Senator Greenburg announced: The State Playhouse is presenting "The Cave Dwellers," written by William Saroyan, this Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Tickets are available by calling the Cal State L.A. box.
- 1.7 Senator Land announced: I think it bears announcement given the building we are in that this is Martin Luther King's birthday.
- 2. It was m/s/p (Land) to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 13, 2007 (ASM 07-6).
- 3. It was m/s/p (Garcia) to approve the agenda.
- 4. It was m/s/p (Garcia) to approve the following Apportionment of Senators for 2008-2009:

| <u>College</u> | Number of<br>Full-Time<br>Faculty<br>Fall 2007 | Comparison<br>Fall 2006 | Percent | Number of<br>Senators<br>for 2008-09* | Comparison for 2007-08 |
|----------------|--|-------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------|------------------------|
| A&L            | 118  | 121                     | 21.30%  | 7 (7.4550)                            | 7 (7.5355)             |
| B&E            | 73   | 76                      | 13.18   | 4 (4.6130)                            | 5 (4.7320)             |
| CCOE           | 80   | 78                      | 14.44   | 5 (5.0540)                            | 5 (5.0435)             |
| ECS&T          | 44   | 43                      | 7.94    | 3 (2.7790)                            | 2 (2.6775)             |
| HHS            | 62   | 63                      | 11.19   | 4 (3.9165)                            | 4 (3.9235)             |
| NSS            | 162  | 160                     | 29.24   | 10(10.2340)                           | 10 (9.9645)            |
| LSA            | 15   | 18                      | 2.71    | 2 (0.9485)                            | 2 (1.1200)             |
|                | 554  | 562                     | 100%    | 35                                    | 35                     |

<sup>\*</sup>Percent X 35

NOTE: Data as of Fall Quarter, 2007, includes new faculty, retired faculty on duty and faculty on leave.

- 5. It was m/s/p (Bowman) to approve the recommendation (07-6).
- 6. It was m/s/p (Hunt) to adjourn at 2:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

APPORTIONMENT OF SENATORS FOR 2008-2009

PROPOSED POLICY MODIFICA-TION: INFORMATION COMPETENCE (0-6) First-Reading

ADJOURNMENT