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ABSENT

N. Fabris, M. Falvey, G. Novak

EXCUSED ABSENCE

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

1. 1.1 The Chair's Announcements

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1.1.1 On February 5, 2008, we received the following memo from President Rosser regarding Mandatory Orientation for Transfer Students:

"In response to your memo dated January 28, 2008, I am suspending the implementation of mandatory orientation for transfer students until further notice. In addition, by copy of this memo, I am asking the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs to work with the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate to establish an ad hoc advisory group to explore alternative models for mandatory orientation for transfer students."

- 1.1.2 Following is the response from Vice President Quan to the question raised by Senator Zepeda at the Senate meeting on February 12, 2008:

Question:

With respect to the deletion of e-mails, will the new procedures to delete e-mails from the deleted folder apply to archived deleted e-mails?

Response:

No. Archived folders are not stored on the mail servers.

- 1.1.3 The Academic Technology Initiative is underway on this campus as I am sure you are aware. There is a Steering Committee and three working groups: one on Web Accessibility, one on Instructional Materials, and one on Procurement of Electronic and Information Technology. There are faculty representatives on each of these groups. The Executive Committee has been struggling to find a faculty member to serve on the Procurement group. If anybody in this room would be willing to serve, please let me or another member of the Executive Committee know. They are willing to adjust the meeting time to accommodate your schedule. If you are not interested in serving on it, please check with your colleagues to see if any of them are interested. You don't need to know anything about procurement, you just need to be able to speak up and give the faculty viewpoint. So, if you are willing to serve, please let me know, and if you know somebody who may be willing to serve, please email the information to me.

- 1.1.4 Governor's Freeze. Perhaps you heard that news last Wednesday. When the Executive Committee heard that we immediately contacted the Provost to see how CSULA would handle that process. After checking with the President, she shared a memo that the President received from the Chancellor's Office. I will share that with you now:

"After signing a package of bills to address current year budget shortfalls, the Governor announced the issuance of an executive order on February 19, 2008 to achieve additional savings to address the State's fiscal crisis. The order requires State agencies to take immediate action to reduce current year General Fund spending by at least \$100 million. While the executive order does not apply to the California State University, it is prudent that the university act in the spirit of the Governor's executive order to mitigate budget year costs.

"In response to the Governor's executive order, the following actions are recommended:

ANNOUNCEMENTS (*Continued*)

1. Continue to make prudent hiring decisions for tenure-track faculty based on planned levels of funded enrollment.
2. While not imposing a hiring freeze, you should make every effort to defer hiring.
3. Minimize or defer travel, although our statewide enterprise makes some travel essential.
4. Personally approve any international travel.

“As presidents it is important that you directly monitor these actions. With increasing enrollments and decreasing revenues, we face difficult challenges over the next year. However, based on the conversation we have had at our meeting this week, I am confident that your hard work and leadership will help bring us through these proposed budget reductions and that we will become an even stronger institution than we are today.”

- 1.1.5 You should have received today an announcement that Honors Convocation is scheduled for April 18th. Please plan on being there.
 - 1.1.6 You should have also received an announcement regarding Commencement activities. Just to clarify, there will now be two Commencement days and your college is either scheduled for Friday or Saturday and that is for both baccalaureate and master’s degrees. Friday, June 6th and Saturday, June 7th.
 - 1.1.7 You should have also received today an announcement of the appointment of Dr. Philip Romero as Dean of the College of Business and Economics. He will assume his on campus duties on June 18, 2008.
 - 1.1.8 Members of Executive Committee are requested to meet at the front of the lecture hall today immediately following the Senate meeting.
- 1.2 Provost Cardoza announced: Kevin had asked me to make this announcement about printers for faculty offices. As you probably know, printers have not been provided to faculty with the Baseline project the way computers have. Printers have been the responsibility of the department or the college. We are going to be assuming that responsibility in Academic Affairs and we currently have fifty printers that will be distributed to faculty. We are currently in the process of creating a data base so that we can distribute them but we do know that we need to get these printers to those faculty that have old printers (dot matrix), broken printers, or no printers at all.
- The other issue is the laptop computers. Again, in the past if a faculty member had opted for a laptop computer rather than a desktop computer the difference in the price was being assumed by the college or the department and, again, we are going to be dealing with that price differential in the Academic Affairs Office.
- 1.3 Senator Best announced: I would like to announce two presentations by faculty. On Thursday, February 28th, there will be a lecture by Dr. Paul Narguizian, “The Galapagos Islands: Evolution’s Workshop,” from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., in King Hall C2091. On Thursday, March 6th, Dr. Manisha Javeri, will present a lecture on “Africa: Beginning of my Bonus Life,” from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m., in King Hall C2091.
 - 1.4 Senator Kawakami announced: The Library is currently displaying the posters of the Outstanding Professors this year, some of who are sitting in this room today, and along with the posters a list of books – their favorite reading and many that inspired them.

2. 2.1 Senator Dewey announced his intent to raise the following question of the Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs and the Executive Committee:

I raise this question at the request of a colleague who had a very high percentage of absentees from his "President's Day" course last week. Students attributed their absences to inability to obtain child care on an official holiday and, regrettably, because their interest in family holiday plans transcended their commitment to academic pursuits. My question is whether such conflicts have ever been surveyed and whether they are a consideration during the preparation of the University's calendar?

- 2.2 Senator Classen announced his intent to raise the following question of the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs:

Does the faculty training scheme for GET 8.9 include many more training sessions and opportunities for all levels of GET users to be trained very soon? If not, why not? And when will those who are not deemed "advanced users" be given opportunities across various day-parts and weeks to be trained by designated University trainers?

3. It was m/s/p (Benedict) to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 12, 2008 (ASM 07-10).

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

5. 5.1 Robert Land (Curriculum and Instruction) was nominated.

- 5.2 It was m/s/ (Land) to postpone until after such time as a larger contingent of our membership is available.

- 5.3 Senator Dewey suggested as a friendly amendment the motion be amended to postpone until after the first-reading items.

- 5.4 It was agreed by consensus to accept Senator Dewey's amendment as friendly.

- 5.5 The motion was approved as amended.

6. 6.1 It was m/s/ (Dewey) to approve the recommendation (07-8).

- 6.2 It was m/s/p (Flint) to extend the time period for questions for an additional 5 minutes.

7. 7.1 It was m/s/ (Dewey) to approve the recommendation (0-9).

- 7.2 It was m/s/p (Flint) to extend the time for questions for another 5 minutes.

8. 8.1 Marshall Cates (Mathematics) was nominated.

- 8.2 It was m/s/p (Garcia) to close nominations.

9. It was m/s/p (Bowman) to adjourn at 2:25 p.m.

INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS

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APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

ACADEMIC SENATE CSU -
NOMINATIONS FOR ONE
POSITION, TERM ENDING 2011

PROPOSED POLICY MODIFICA-
TION: RETIRED FACULTY –
EMERITUS STATUS, FACULTY
HANDBOOK, CHAPTER VIII
(07-8) *First-Reading*

PROPOSED POLICY: OUT-
STANDING TEACHING AWARD,
FACULTY HANDBOOK, CHAP-
TER VIII (07-9) *First-Reading*

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ADJOURNMENT