

G. Beer, T. Bell, D. Lee, Y. Song, V. Villa, B. Yorker

ABSENT

T. Allison, J. Benedict, S. Landsberger, H. K. Moo-Young

EXCUSED ABSENCE

K. Baaske convened the meeting at 1:39 p.m.

1. 1.1 The Chair's Announcements:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1.1.1 Included in the agenda package for today's meeting is a membership list for the Senate. There is one additional name to be added to the list: for the College of Natural and Social Sciences, the alternate for Nadine Koch will be Konrad Aniol.

1.1.2 On March 26, 2008, President Rosser approved the Senate's proposed modification to the policy on Retired Faculty – Emeritus Status, Faculty Handbook, Chapter VIII, effective Summer Quarter, 2008.

1.1.3 Olaiya Aina (Curriculum and Instruction) has agreed to serve as an alternate for Lia Kamhi-Stein and Jose Perez-Carballo (Information Systems) has agreed to serve as an alternate for Maria Boss on the Nominations Committee for the Spring Quarter, 2008.

1.1.4 You should have all received an electronic ballot for the election of the Statewide Academic Senator. Balloting continues until April 10th, so please be sure to vote.

1.1.5 The following faculty members have been nominated by the colleges for election to the two positions of Senator-at-Large, term ending Summer, 2011:

Olaiya Aina, Curriculum and Instruction
Lois Andre-Bechely, Applied and Advanced Studies in Education
Margaret Garcia, Special Education and Counseling
D. Robert DeChaine, Liberal Studies
Paul Stuart Graham, Theatre Arts and Dance
Christophe Lagier, Modern Languages and Literatures
Rita Ledesma, Social Work
William London, Health Science
John Orta, Kinesiology
Sharon Ulanoff, Curriculum and Instruction
Jay Zhong, Music

Additional nominations may be made by petition of twenty-five members of the full-time faculty. For this election the notice for the nominating petition will be sent out on April 7th and must be submitted to the Academic Senate Office no later than noon on Friday, April 11, 2007.

1.1.5 At the CSU Board of Trustees meeting held on March 11-12, 2008, it was Resolved that the Integrated Sciences Complex at California State University, Los Angeles, be named the Wallis Annenberg Integrated Sciences Complex. The Annenberg Foundation's gift of \$5 million will allow the University to preserve the full scale of this important project.

1.1.6 We have been informed by the President's Office that the John F. Kennedy portrait and Ruben Salazar portrait will be taken down and sent out to be encased. Restoration of the Martin Luther King portrait has been completed and it will also be encased. The portraits will be taken down by the Luckman Fine Arts Gallery staff. All 3 portraits are expected to be back in place by the end of May.

1.1.7 Following is the response from Associate Vice President Cash to the question raised by Senator Dewey at the Academic Senate meeting on February 26, 2008:

ANNOUNCEMENTS (*Continued*)

Question:

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?

Response:

The preparation of the academic calendar is a joint effort among several units of the University, including the Payroll Office and the Registrar, and coordinated by my office. The effect on students, faculty, and staff is always one of the critical elements considered. Other considerations include requirements for a minimum number of days of instruction during each year, the collective bargaining agreements with campus unions, federal and state laws that determine the observance of specific holidays, and the desire to allow employees time off during a week of campus closure. Every effort is made to meet, as best we can, the needs of all of the members of the campus community.

1.1.8 I would like to remind you that the entire Cal State L.A. community is encouraged to attend an important forum on the Governor's proposed state budget and its impact on California State University, and particularly Cal State L.A. It will be from noon to 2:00 p.m. in the Golden Eagle Ballroom. There is a handout at the back of the room.

1.2 Senator Bowman announced: The Pat Brown Institute will have its 27th Annual Awards Dinner on April 17th, Thursday, at 7:00 p.m. at the Biltmore downtown. Or, at 6:00 pm. you can get there and have a drink with Jerry Brown who is going to be honored as the Pat Brown Legacy Award recipient. Hector De La Torre is being honored as the Public Servant of the Year and the Corporate Leadership and Responsibility Award will be presented to Wells Fargo Bank. You can go to this for the small sum of \$125.00 and I can tell you from personal experience that two-thirds of it is a tax deduction. If you want to go I have some applications up here and the deadline to RSVP is April 9, 2008.

1.3 Senator Cates announced: I announced this in the Executive Committee so it is in the Executive Committee minutes, but I wasn't here last week to announce it to the Senate. About two weeks ago Charles Clark died. He was Chair of the CSULA Academic Senate in 1968-1969, and Chair of the Department of Mathematics from 1970-1977. An Emeritus Professor of Mathematics, Dr. Clark was one of the founding members of the Math Department and then Director of the Computer Center before returning to Chair the Math Department from 1970-1977.

1.4 Provost Cardoza announced: This coming Saturday will be the VIP Open House event targeted for students entering Summer 2008 and Fall 2008. I imagine a number of you are participating in this event as well. We have already had 600 students who have RSVP'd to date. We are expecting about the same number of students we had last year, eight to nine hundred. If you are available, we know the students are excited about meeting faculty that are in their respective majors. There will be a walkway with tables for information so if you want to get a table set up let Sal know.

INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS

2. Senator Dumitrescu announced her intent to raise the following question of the Vice President for Information Systems and Chief Technology Officer: They were going to delete the messages every week; that happened once and it stopped. So I want to know if there was a change in policy?

Vice President Quan responded: We are still deleting emails on Saturday.

Senator Dumitrescu asked: So then why weren't my emails deleted?

Vice President Quan responded: I will have someone follow-up on it.

3. It was m/s/p (Garcia) to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 4, 2008.
4. It was m/s/p (Zepeda) to approve the agenda.
5. A PowerPoint presentation and lecture on campus safety was presented by Mr. Gregory King, Director of Public Safety. Following the lecture, Chief King and Anthony Ross, Vice President for Student Affairs, responded to questions.
6. It was m/s/p (Garcia) to adjourn at 3:09 p.m.

INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS
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APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

PRESENTATION ON CAMPUS
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