

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES
ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES
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ABSENT

L. Andre-Bechely, H. K. Moo-Young, P. Romero

EXCUSED ABSENCE

K. Baaske convened the meeting at 1:34 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. 1.1 The Chair's Announcements:

1.1.1 I am pleased to officially announce that the ASI Board of Directors has appointed Zeeshan Ott and Joaquin Beltran to serve as Undergraduate Senators through June 30, 2009. In addition, the ASI has appointed Amber Veliz to serve as a Graduate Student Senator through the end of June.

1.1.2 The next installment of the Research Seminars at ORAD Café series will take place tomorrow, March 4th, at 3:30 p.m. in the University Club. The title of the session is "Youth at Risk: A Multidisciplinary Perspective," and it features Jessica Dennis from the Department of Psychology, Bill Sanders from Criminal Justice and Criminalistics, Raquel Warley from Social Work, and Andrea Zetlin from Special Education and Counseling. The guest moderator will be Ali Modarres, Associate Director of the Pat Brown Institute. Students are welcome, and refreshments will be served. Again, that's tomorrow, March 4th, at 3:30 p.m. in the University Club.

1.1.3 I would like to remind Senators that we have a new textbook policy requiring faculty members to order their books seven weeks prior to the first day of the term in which they will be used. Since the Spring Quarter begins in about four weeks, please get your textbook orders in if you have not already done so.

1.2 The Vice Chair's Announcements:

Professor William Sanders (Criminal Justice and Criminalistics) has accepted appointment by the Nominations Committee to serve as an alternate for Sharon Ulanoff on the Institutional Review Board – Human Subjects for Spring Quarter, 2009.

1.3 Senator Dewey announced: Today I am the bearer of sad news as part of my role as Emeriti Senator. Paul Rowan, who many in this room probably don't remember, was an Associate Dean in Letters and Science (now Natural and Social Sciences), a department chair and was a member of the Executive Committee early in the 70's, died recently.

1.4 Senator Abdullah announced: Pearl Cleage is here today and tomorrow. Today she will be talking to Mel Donalson's class about her novel and the social and political themes that influence her work at 4:20 p.m. in KH B 3071 and students are welcome. This evening she will be in the University-Student Union theatre doing a workshop on art, performances, writing, and activism at 6:30 p.m. Tomorrow at 7:00 p.m., also in the University-Student Union, she gives the keynote address for Women's History Month.

1.5 Senator Allison announced: Arts and Letters has several events coming up. This Friday, and twice on Saturday, and then again on Sunday we have *Tales by Shakespeare* at the Luckman Intimate Theatre - performances inspired by the legacy of Shakespeare. There will be musical performances - chamber singers on Sunday, an opera concert on Monday, and a new music ensemble on Tuesday, all at 8:00 p.m. in the State Playhouse. Next week, March 10th, at 12:15 p.m. in front of the University Student Union, the Golden Eagle Mariachi Band will have its first concert.

ANOUNCEMENTS (Continued)

- 1.6 Senator Ledesma announced: There was a special edition of CFA Headlines announcing an oil severance bill to fund higher education. This historic measure would enact a tax on oil and natural gas in the state to create a funding mechanism for public higher education. Assembly Bill 656, introduced last week by Senator Majority Leader Albert Torrico and sponsored by CFA, creates a dedicated funding source for the state's public colleges and universities.

CFA will be moving in the next few weeks to get budget information to the campuses to illustrate and to highlight the consequences of the new budget on higher education as we campaign for the special election.

INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS

2. None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

3. It was m/s/p (Garcia) to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 17, 2009 (ASM 08-11).

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

4. 4.1 It was m/s/ (Land) to approve the agenda.
- 4.2 It was m/s/p (Abdullah) to amend the agenda by adding the Resolution Establishing a Vote by the Faculty on a Plan for Quarter- to-Semester Conversion as a new item 8.
- 4.3 It was m/s/p (Abdullah) to amend the agenda by adding the Resolution on Academic Senate Voting Procedures on the Plan for Quarter- to-Semester Conversion to the agenda as a new item 9.
- 4.4 The agenda was approved as amended.

ACADEMIC SENATE CSU: NOMINATIONS FOR ONE POSITION, TERM ENDING 2012

5. 5.1 Kevin Baaske (Communication Studies), Lois Andre-Bechely (Applied and Advanced Studies in Education), Kimberly Persiani-Becker (Curriculum and Instruction), and Jeffrey Benedict (Music), were nominated.
- 5.2 It was m/s/p (Bowman) to close nominations.

REPORT ON WASC

Presented by: D. Cardoza, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, and A. Hafner, WASC Faculty Coordinator

6. Provost Cardoza and A. Hafner, WASC Faculty Coordinator, presented a report on WASC. A question and answer period followed.

RESOLUTION OF PRINCIPLES REGARDING POSSIBLE CONVERSION TO SEMESTERS (08-9)

First-Reading

7. 7.1 It was m/s/ (Land) to approve the Resolution of Principles Regarding Possible Conversion to Semesters (08-9).
- 7.2 It was m/s/p (Dewey) to extend the time for questions for fifteen minutes.

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A VOTE BY THE FACULTY ON THE PLAN FOR QUARTER-TO-SEMESTER CONVERSION

First-Reading

8. 8.1 It was m/s/ (Abdullah) to approve the Resolution Establishing a Vote by the Faculty on the Plan for Quarter-to-Semester Conversion.
- 8.2 It was m/s/p (Land) to extend the time for questions for five minutes.

RESOLUTION ON ACADEMIC SENATE VOTING PROCEDURES ON THE PLAN FOR QUARTER-TO-SEMESTER CONVERSION

First-Reading

9. It was m/s/ (Abdullah) to approve the Resolution on Academic Senate Voting Procedures on the Plan for Quarter-to-Semester Conversion.

ADJOURNMENT

10. It was m/s/p (Garcia) to adjourn at 2:55 p.m.