CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES April 7, 2009

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ABSENT

J. Benedict, C. Blaszczynski, H. K. Moo-Young, D. Raychaudhuri, P. Romero, R. Wearn

EXCUSED ABSENCE

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. 1.1 The Chair's Announcements:
 - 1.1.1 Distributed today at the back of the room are two new documents 08-10.2 and 08-11.2. Please pick them up now if you have not already done so.
 - 1.1.2 There are some changes to the Senate membership list that was distributed in the agenda package. For the College of Engineering, Senators Mark Tufenkjian and Neda Fabris will be serving this quarter, so the faculty members listed as alternates should be deleted from the list. Also, the alternate for Don Maurizio will be Kamran Karimlou, not Narendra Taly.
 - 1.1.3 On February 26, 2009, President Rosser approved the Senate's proposed modification to the policy on Temporary Full-time and Part-time Faculty (Lecturers), <u>Faculty Handbook</u>, Chapter VI, effective Spring Quarter, 2009. The on-line <u>Faculty Handbook</u> has been updated to reflect the changes.
 - 1.1.4 The following faculty members have been nominated by the colleges for Election to the two positions of Senator-at-Large, term ending Summer, 2012: Mohammed Abed (Philosophy), Lois Andre-Bechely (Applied and Advanced Studies in Education), Konrad Aniol (Physics), Theodore Bell (Psychology), Jeffrey Benedict (Music), Sandra Card (Library), John Cleman (English), Joan Fingon (Curriculum and Instruction), Cari Flint (Communication Disorders), Michael Germano (Library), Mark Goodrich (Music), Catherine Haras (Library), Rita Ledesma (Social Work), Heidi Paul (Special Education and Counseling), David Peterson (Special Education and Counseling), Heidi Riggio (Psychology), Deborah Schaeffer (Library), Michael Shim (Philosophy), Michael Soldatenko (Chicano Studies), Gail Washington (Nursing), and A. Dee Williams (Curriculum and Instruction). A petition notice for additional nominees will be sent out to all full-time faculty members with a deadline of noon on Friday April 17th.
 - 1.1.5 Following is the response from Provost Cardoza and Vice President Pardon to the questions raised by Nancy McQueen at the Academic Senate meeting February 17, 2009, regarding emergency power and notification protocol in the event of a power outage in La Kretz Hall:

Ouestion

What progress has been made on a set of emergency protocols for La Kretz Hall when there is a power outage?

Response

In the event of a power outage in La Kretz Hall, Public Safety Dispatch will notify representatives from Academic Affairs and Facilities Services. In the event of emergency of any kind that would lead to campus closure, existing protocols would send messages out to those members of the campus community that have registered via the emergency notification system.

Ouestion

What, if any plans are being developed to have emergency power for critical pieces of equipment in the event of another power outage in La Kretz Hall?

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Continued)

Response

The primary purpose of any backup power supply is to meet the health and safety needs of the building. The backup power system in La Kretz Hall has been tested and we are confident that the health and safety threshold is being met. While it is not possible to provide emergency power for all electrical outlets in the building, we will continue working with the faculty to determine a feasible level of power that can be supplied and ways to mitigate losses in the event of a prolonged power failure.

While the emergency generator in the Biological Sciences building is advantageous for power outages lasting a short period of time, it will not be beneficial in a prolonged power outage created by a major emergency. Under these circumstances it may not be possible to obtain fuel supplies for a number of days. Since only critical systems are on the emergency generator in La Kretz Hall, we will be able to maintain power for a much longer period of time. As such, it is very important that only very critical items are placed on the emergency circuit in La Kretz Hall.

Please let us know if additional information is needed.

- 1.1.6 Speaking of La Kretz Hall, you are all invited to the dedication ceremony for La Kretz Hall, the first wing of the Wallis Annenberg Integrated Sciences Complex, today at 3:00 p.m. Tours of the facility will follow the dedication ceremony.
- 1.1.7 You are also invited to join your colleagues this evening at the **Jean Burden Poetry Series**, featuring internationally renowned poet Victor Hernández Cruz, at 6:30 p.m. in the Golden Eagle Ballroom. Following the reading there will be a reception and book signing.
- 1.1.8 One final announcement: April is modern language month and tomorrow, April 8th, there will be a demonstration of Chinese straw patchwork, 4:00 -6:00 p.m. in the Music 208.

1.2 Vice Chair's Announcement:

The following faculty have been appointed by the Nominations Committee to serve on the Ad Hoc Committee on the Review of Presidentially Chartered Centers, Institutes, or Bureaus: Melina Abdullah (Pan-African Studies), Kenneth Ryan (Library), Simona Montanari (Child and Family Studies), Chisato Koike (Modern Languages and Literature).

- 1.3 Senator Moss announced: Work from graduate students in the design option is currently on display in the Fine Arts Gallery through April 14th. Please come. It's free.
- 1.4 Senator Ledesma announced: CFA will host a "CSU Budget Summit" Tuesday, April 14th, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the University-Student Union Los Angeles room to discuss the implications of the May 19th special election and proposition 1A. We urge professors to consider bringing their students and staff to bring their friends. There are flyers at the back of the room.
- 1.5 Senator Bowman announced: The Survey for Faculty Perceptions of the Performance of Administrators is currently on-line and will be there until April 14. Please access it and encourage you colleagues to do so as well. It is very easy to use.

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2. Senator Reilly announced her intent to raise the following question of the Vice President for Student Affairs:

INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS

This question is being raised on behalf of some of the faculty in my division. Before e-mails were sent to faculty who allegedly did not submit their grades on time at the end of the quarter, why did someone not check to determine if in fact the grades had not been submitted?

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

3. It was m/s/p (Flint) to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 10, 2009 (ASM 08-13).

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

to include STAFF.

REPORT OF THE STATEWIDE SENATE MEETING MARCH 9-10, 2009

5. Statewide Senators Baaske and Land indicated that they had not had an opportunity to prepare a report for today's meeting and would send a written report to the Senate. They also announced that a summary of the Statewide Senate resolutions discussed at the March meeting was available at the web address printed on the agenda for today's meeting.

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A VOTE BY THE FACULTY ON THE PLAN FOR QUARTER-TO-SEMESTER CONVERSION (08-10, 08-10.1, <u>08-10.2</u>)

Second-Reading

- 6. 6.1 It was m/s/p (Bowman) to substitute document 08-10.2 for 08-10.1.
 - 6.3 It was agreed by consensus to accept Senator Land's suggestion as a friendly amendment and to insert the word STAFF after the words "lecturer faculty."

6.2 Senator Land suggested that the resolved clause of document 08-10.2 be amended

- 6.4 It was m/s/p (Whitcomb) to amend the resolved clause of document 08-10.2 by deleting the phrase and for each department within the colleges.
- 6.5 It was m/s/p (Hunt) to table further debate on document 08-10.2 until the next meeting of the Senate.
- 7. 7.1 It was m/s/p (Bowman) to substitute document 08-11.2 for document 08-11.
 - 7.2 The resolution FAILED (08-11.2).

RESOLUTION ON ACADEMIC SENATE VOTING PROCEDURES ON THE PLAN FOR QUARTER-TO-SEMESTER CONVERSION (08-11, -11.1, -11.2) Second-Reading

8. It was m/s/p (Hunt) to adjourn at 2:32 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT