CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES June 1, 2010

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ABSENT

C. Blaszczynski, S. Bowman, C. Flint, P. Romero, M. Siler, L. Slusky

EXCUSED ABSENCE

R. Land convened the meeting at 2:10 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1. 1.1 The Chair's Announcements:
 - 1.1.1 On May 25, 2010, President Rosser approved the Proposed Policies and Procedures for Temporary Suspension of Academic Programs, <u>Faculty Handbook</u>, Chapter IV, effective Spring 2010.
 - 1.1.2 Also on May 25th, President Rosser returned unsigned the Proposed Policies and Policy Modifications for Chapter VI of the <u>Faculty Handbook</u>, (pertaining to RTP). Following is his memo:

While I am returning the "Proposed Policies and Policy Modifications to Chapter VI" unsigned, significant progress is evident in the proposed document.

My concerns are both general and specific. First, I would recommend consideration of two separate policies, one for temporary and one for permanent faculty. This separation would remove the concerns I have regarding awkward language and unclear statements. It should also remove concerns regarding the words "review" and "evaluation" which are used interchangeably, but refer to different issues. Second, I would recommend avoiding the use of parenthetical remarks in policy documents. Third, I would recommend avoiding qualifiers such as "normally." Such words open the door to challenges to recommendations and decisions. Fourth, it is sometimes unclear whether a section of the policy applies to all faculty or only to permanent faculty, e.g., external review and individualized professional plans.

While I understand your concerns related to faculty with marginal records in Category C receiving early promotion to Professor, the concern I have is not with regard to "consistently commendable" scholars beyond promotion, it is about the record that warrants early promotion. In addition, I would agree that greater emphasis should be placed on performance in Category C and would suggest that raising the bar to "commendable" for early promotion to Professor be considered.

My particular concerns follow.

The President attached a detailed list of his concerns.

1.1.3 One of the few ways to stretch limited instructional resources is to increase class size. Certainly, we want to make every effort to fill classes to the limit, as prescribed in the Faculty Handbook under "Waiting List Policy." However, only the instructor can add students beyond the class limit set by approved course proposals. Even then, instructors can only add to the "breaking point." I would urge all departments to make sure enrollment limits in the GET system match those on approved course proposals, and to make sure all instructors understand their responsibility to serve as many students as possible and also to defend the curriculum by honoring limits set in approved course proposals.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

1.1.4 Following is the response from Lisa Chavez, Interim Vice President for Administration and Chief Financial Officer to the question raised by Senator Moss:

What steps has the University taken in the last year to reduce its overall carbon footprint from 2009 levels?

"In an effort to save money, reduce energy consumption and lower Cal State L.A.'s carbon footprint, Facilities Services has been resetting thermostats throughout the University at 78 degrees for cooling and 68 degrees for heating. During our inspection of the thermostats across campus, many were set up to 5 degrees lower or higher than the standard which is set by both the Governor's Office and the Chancellor's Office. It is estimated that heating and cooling on this campus consumes approximately 40% of our current energy budget.

"We are installing LED lights on 10 light poles in Lot 5 as a demonstration of how well they work as well as how much the University may save by installing LED's in the parking lots and structures. LED lights though more expensive can last up to 10 times longer and consume up to 80% less electricity than standard lighting.

"Facilities Services is also currently in discussion with a company that specializes in monitoring electrical usage in real time. Real time functionality will give the campus the ability to see where the most potential for reducing our energy consumption is not only by building, but by floor as well. The recalibration of the thermostats, expanded use of LED lighting, and real time monitoring of electrical usage will have a significant impact on Cal State L.A.'s carbon footprint in the short term.

"In addition the campus continues to explore potential partners for the use of solar panels on buildings as well as parking lots and structures. The campus was working with the Chancellor's Office and Sun Edison on a project that consisted of retrofitting three buildings within the campus with rooftop photovoltaic panels that would have provided up to half a megawatt of electricity to the campus. Unfortunately due to funding constraints on the part of Sun Edison, recently our individual campus project was dropped from the scope of the systemwide project. We continue to explore viable energy efficiency projects for our campus and the long range goal is to create a more sustainable campus."

1.1.5 Finally, I would like to thank all of you for your service on the Senate this year and to acknowledge those Senators who have served and will not be returning next year: Jose Perez-Carballo, Ludwig Slusky, David Peterson, Neda Fabris, Gail Washington, Scott Bowman, Michael Siler, Kimberly King, Lamont Yeakey, Oscar Bernal, Scott Breivold, Deborah Schaeffer, Khozaima Jivanjee, Maria Jeffery and Hugo Perez.

1.2 The Vice Chair's Announcements:

- 1.2.1 Professor Carole Lung (Art) has accepted the appointment by the Nominations Committee to serve on the Student Policy Committee for a three-year term ending Summer Quarter, 2013.
- 1.2.2 The following faculty members have accepted appointment by the Nominations Committee to serve on the Honors Convocation and Commencement Committee for two-year terms ending Summer Quarter, 2012: Charter College of Education Gay Yuen (Curriculum and

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Instruction); Engineering, Computer Science, and Technology - Deborah Won (Electrical and Computer Engineering); Natural and Social Sciences - Birte Pfleger (History); and Library and Student Affairs - Scott Breivold (Library).

ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

- 1.3 Senator Ledesma announced: We would like to invite all of the Senators to a reception recognizing the Provost as the first Latina Provost at Cal State L.A. hosted by the Chicano/Latino University Association and the Academic Senate Executive Committee immediately following this meeting in the Library Garden Patio.
- 1.4 Senator Classen announced: Friday, June 4th through Sunday, June 5th, the Reel Rasquache Art & Film Festival will celebrate its seventh year, with performances and screenings at Pasadena's historic Regency Academy 6 Cinemas. Reel Rasquache is the first exhibition forum in Los Angeles, Southern California and the West Coast to focus on the U.S. Latino experience in film and art. The festival provides a unique opportunity for independent U.S. Latino filmmakers to showcase their work while building bridges between East and West Los Angeles, between independent Latino filmmakers and the entertainment industry. This year's offerings will include theatrical premieres of new works by Jesus Salvador Trevino, Sylvia Morales, Kenneth Castillo, and Vagabond.

The Regency Academy 6 Cinemas are located at 1003 East Colorado Boulevard.

Visit the Reel Rasquache website for the festival schedule, updates and announcements: http://www.reelrasquache.org/

- 1.5 Senator Abdullah announced: I just wanted to remind everyone that the Department of Pan African Studies is hosting the Third Annual Pan African Studies Forum, today, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., in the Los Angeles Room of the University-Student Union. The speaker, talking about "Old Roots, New Realities: Black Identity and Contemporary Challenges of Belonging," is Isaiah Washington. He is the first African-American to receive citizenship to any African country based on DNA. So we will have dinner and a wonderful discussion tonight.
- 2. None.
- 3. It was m/s/p (Moss) to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 25, 2010 (ASM 09-27).
- 4. It was m/s/p Schaeffer to approve the agenda.
- 5. 5.1 The following faculty members were nominated for the College of Arts and Letters: Hema Chari, Marilyn Elkins, Elizabeth Bryant, Sara Graef, and Kristina Hackel.
 - 5.2 The following faculty members were nominated for the College of Engineering, Computer Science, and Technology: Lih-Minh Hsia, Stephanie Nelson, Jane Dong, Hassan Hashemian and Kamran Karimlou.
- 6. 6.1 It was m/s/ (Moss) to approve the resolution (09-17).
 - 6.2 It was m/s/p (Moss) to waive the first-reading rule.
 - 6.3 It was m/s/ (Classen) to divide the issue and consider the first two paragraphs separately from the third.
 - 6.4 It was m/ (Yeakey) to insert IT IS THE INTENT OF THE NEWLY MERGED ENTITY TO WORK TOWARDS BECOMING A SCHOOL.

INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE: NOMINATIONS FOR ONE MEMBER REPRESENTING THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND LETTERS AND ONE MEMBER REPRESENTING THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING, COMPUTER SCIENCE, AND TECHNOLOGY

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE MERGER OF THE DEPARTMENTS OF MUSIC AND THEATRE ARTS AND DANCE (09-17, -17,1) First-Reading ASM 09-28 June 1, 2010 Page 4

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE MERGER OF THE DEPARTMENTS OF MUSIC AND THEATRE ARTS AND DANCE (continued)

SENATE ENDORSEMENT OF THE DRAFT INSTITUTIONAL LEARNING GOALS, OBJECTIVES, OUTCOMES AND MEASURES (09-12, <u>09-12.1</u>) Second-Reading Forwarded to the President

PROPOSED POLICY: GRADE APPEALS/ACADEMIC GREIVANCE POLICY, <u>FACULTY HANDBOOK</u>, CHAPTER V (09-13) Second-Reading Forwarded to the President

PROPOSED POLICY MODIFICA-TION: ACADEMIC HONESY POLICY, <u>FACULTY HANDBOOK</u>, CHAPTER V (09-14) Second-Reading Forwarded to the President

PROPOSED POLICY MODIFICA-TION: ACADEMIC DISHONESTY ALLEGATION FORM, <u>FACULTY</u> <u>HANDBOOK</u>, APPENDIX J (09-15) Second-Reading Forwarded to the President

PROPOSED POLICY: UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC APPEALS BOARD, FACULTY HANDBOOK, CHAPTER V (09-16)
Second-Reading
Forwarded to the President

ADJOURNMENT

- 6.5 The Yeakey motion died for lack of a second.
- 6.6 The motion to divide the issue passed.
- 6.7 Senator Dewey suggested as an editorial amendment to document 09-17 that the words "elect" and "election" be changed to "select" and "selection."
- 6.8 It was agreed by consensus to accept Senator Dewey's amendment as editorial.
- 6.9 It was m/s/p (Warter-Perez) to amend document 09-17 by changing "Acting Chairs" to "Acting Co-Chairs."
- 6.10 The first half of the Resolution was APPROVED as amended (09-17). Copies are available in the Senate Office.
- 6.11 It was m/s/f (Abdullah) to table the second half of the Resolution (09-17).
- 6.12 It was m/s/p (Klein) to withdraw the second half of the Resolution (09-17).
- 7. 7.1 Document 09-12.1 was distributed to the body.
 - 7.2 It was m/s/p (Hafner) to substitute document 09-12.1 for 09-12.
 - 7.3 The motion to endorse the Draft Institutional Learning Goals, Objectives, Outcomes and Measures was APPROVED (09-12.1). Copies are available in the Senate Office.
- 8. The recommendation was APPROVED (09-13). Copies of the document are available in the Senate Office.
- 9. 9.1 Senator McQueen suggested as an editorial amendment changing the phrase "can be neither justified nor condoned" to read "cannot be justified or condoned."
 - 9.2 It was agreed by consensus to accept Senator McQueen's amendment as editorial.
 - 9.3 The recommendation was APPROVED as amended (09-14). Copies of the document are available in the Senate Office.
- The recommendation was APPROVED (09-15). Copies of the document are available in the Senate Office.
- 11. The recommendation was APPROVED (09-16). Copies of the document are available in the Senate Office.
- 12. It was m/s/p (Schaeffer) to adjourn at 3:12 p.m.