

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES
ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES
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ASM 11-2
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ABSENT

N. McQueen, H. K. Moo-Young

EXCUSED ABSENCE

Chair Hunt convened the meeting at 1:34 p.m.

1. The Chair's Announcements:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1.1 Welcome to the first meeting of the Fall Quarter. I am pleased to report that Kevin Baaske has agreed to serve as Parliamentarian this year. The Senate document summarizing the parliamentary procedures and the document on Miscellaneous Rules are available in the Public Folders under "Academic Senate."
- 1.2 The Academic Senate has elected Jose Perez-Carballo, College of Business and Economics, Beth Hoffman, College of Health and Human Services, and Scott Breivold, Library and Student Affairs, to serve on the Nominations Committee for three-year terms ending Summer, 2014.
- 1.3 The Academic Senate has also elected four faculty members to serve on the Ad Hoc Advisory Selection Committee for the Dean of Graduate Studies and Research: Nancy McQueen (Biological Sciences), Cheryl Koos (History), Ray De Leon (Kinesiology and Nutritional Sciences), and Sharon Ulanoff (Curriculum and Instruction).
- 1.4 Since the last Senate meeting, President Rosser has approved the following Senate recommendations:

June 14th Modification of the policy on Peer Observations of Instruction

June 17th Modification of the policy on Range Elevation Criteria for Temporary Faculty

June 23rd Modification of the policy on Voting Rights of Faculty, and deletion of the policies on: Faculty on Leave - Eligibility to Vote in All University Elections, Voting Rights of Faculty Serving in Retirement and Pre-Retirement Programs and Departmental Voting Rights of Academic Administrators with Retreat Rights

July 14th Modification of the policies on Oral Testimony; Cycles for Review for Retention, Tenure and Promotion and Policies and Criteria Governing Retention, Tenure, and Promotion, and deletion of the policies on Evaluation of Tenured Faculty and Levels of Review.

July 28th Modification of the policy on Ballot Method for Senate and University Elections and deletion of the policy titled Balloting Period.

August 26th Modification of policy on Personnel Committees and deletion of the policies on Definition of a Faculty Personnel Matter, Confidentiality of Personnel Deliberations, and Retention, Tenure and Promotion Committees, and on

September 27th the President approved the modification of the policies on Credit for Examinations and Credit for Experiential Learning.

All of the approved recommendations have been included in the on-line *Faculty Handbook*.

- 1.5 On September 26, 2011, President Rosser approved the Senate's recommendation that the

ANNOUNCEMENTS (*Continued*)

University suspend the "Transition to Cal State L.A." (300 level course) as a requirement towards a bachelor's degree for all students matriculated prior to Fall 2012.

- 1.6 I know you were notified that applications for the Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activities Awards are available and I wanted to point out that the Chancellor's Office did not fund the program this year but President Rosser chose to continue to fund it.
- 1.7 Last year we invited President Rosser to visit the Senate more frequently and he will do so later this quarter for what will be a less formal visit than the State of the University address presented in the Spring.
- 1.8 The Chancellor's office is seeking faculty members to review course descriptors with the Transfer Model Curriculum for Art History, Biology, Business, Computer Science, Education, English, Information Technology and Information Systems, Mathematics, Music, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology and Theatre. In many of these disciplines the descriptors have been re-posted as drafts because of a lack of sufficient faculty review. If you are interested in participating in this process please contact the Senate Office.
- 1.9 I would like to invite everyone to the reception today at 3:00 p.m. in Golden Eagle Ballroom 3 honoring the 2011 President's Distinguished Professor Kylie Hsu, the 2010-2011 Outstanding Professors, Ali Modarres, Simeon Slovacek, Sharon Ulanoff and Feimeng Zhou, and the Outstanding Lecturer, Atsuko Sato.
- 1.10 The "One Campus, One Book selection this year is **The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks**. It is a very exciting non-fiction book about the use of genetic materials by physicians of a patient without her permission. People say it reads like a thriller but it is non-fiction.

There is an event next Monday at 3:15 p.m. in the University-Student Union. This is a kick-off event which includes selected readings from the book, information on Henrietta Lacks and giveaways so I hope everyone will participate.

INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS

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

On August 3rd, in a meeting of the Senate Executive Committee, I asked why a 6% administration fee, equal to \$71,000, was deducted from the 2011-2012 Instructionally Related Activities (IRA) monies.

Your response was that such a deduction is allowed under existing policy. However, this ignores an essential question, which I raise today: Even if formally allowed, in a period of time when Academic Affairs monies are being dramatically cut, why is the maximum allowable fee, again, more than \$71,000, being taken from Instructionally Related Activities, and being allocated to the University's business offices? How does this funding decision align with the University's priorities and strategic plan?

Provost Vaidya responded: The thing is, that it is interesting that you raise this now because the CFO, Lisa Chavez, is looking into that to see if in fact we find we do need that level of administration fee going forward and, hopefully, we should be able to report back on some of her findings very soon.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

3. 3.1 It was m/s/p (Baaske) to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 31, 2011 (ASM 10-25).

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| 3.2 It was m/s/p (Judson) to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 31, 2011 (ASM 11-1). | APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
<i>(Continued)</i> |
| 4. It was m/s/p (Benedict) to approve the agenda. | APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA |
| 5. Statewide Senators Kevin Baaske and Kimberly King presented the report of the Statewide Senate meeting held on September 15-16, 2011. | REPORT OF THE STATEWIDE
SENATE MEETING: SEPTEMBER
15-16, 2011 |
| 6. CFA Chapter President Melina Abdullah presented a report on the California Faculty Association. | REPORT ON THE CALIFORNIA
FACULTY ASSOCIATION |
| 7. 7.1 It was m/s/ (Bowman) to approve the resolution (11-1). | RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE |
| 7.2 It was m/s/p (Classen) to extend the time for questions for five minutes. | WAIVER OF THE “AMERICAN
INSTITUTIONS” REQUIREMENT
<u>(11-1)</u> <i>First-Reading</i> |
| 8. It was m/s/ (Huld) to approve the recommendation (11-2). | PROPOSED POLICY MODIFICA-
TION: UNDERGRADUATE
GRADING SYSTEM AND
GRADING SYMBOLS, FACULTY
HANDBOOK, CHAPTER V <u>(11-2)</u>
<i>First-Reading</i> |
| 9. It was m/s/p (Baaske) to adjourn at 2:54 p.m. | ADJOURNMENT |