

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES
ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES
April 23, 2013

ASM 12-17
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ABSENT

L. Andre-Bechely, J. Hatfield, A. Kawakami, C. Koos, S. Ulanoff, M. Wild

EXCUSED ABSENCE

Chair Baaske convened the meeting at 1:36 p.m.

1. 1.1 The Chair's Announcements:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On April 8, 2013, President Rosser returned unsigned the Senate's proposed modification of the policy on Deletion of Infrequently Offered Courses from the Curriculum, Faculty Handbook, Chapter IV, with the following rationale:

"The current policy is appropriate and specifies the criteria and process for the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs to ensure compliance with the policy."

- 1.2 Senator Abdullah announced: I have two announcements to make; one you have gotten about 25 emails about. CFA is hosting University 101, "The Future of CSULA: Faculty Perspectives." During this time of change, it is really important that we talk about what our vision is for the University. I hope that all of you can join us. It is going to be a conversation, there will not be a presentation. It is next Wednesday at 3:00 p.m. in the Soriano conference room and refreshments will be served (if that's a draw for some of you).

I just got word from Cal State Long Beach that they are attempting to eliminate the Department of Africana Studies. Dr. Maulana Karenga, one of the founders of Ethnic Studies and Black Studies, is the Chair of the Department of Africana Studies at Long Beach. I have a handout I will distribute. They are saying that it is because of a policy that they have a minimum of six tenured faculty and they have five tenured faculty with two on the Faculty Early Retirement Program (FERP). This is a policy only at Long Beach. And why do they only have five faculty? Because the administration has not allowed the department to hire any new faculty for eight years. So they are eliminating the department, well not eliminating it, they are making it a program. This effects the faculty, their status and their future in the program, right?. I prepared some notes about why this important for all of us to look at what is going on at Long Beach. It's about the process and what it means for the all of our programs, not just on that campus. If this can happen to a department like the one at Long Beach, with Dr. Karenga who is the founder of Black studies, it can happen anywhere. How do we make sure it doesn't happen here? We are starting a letter writing campaign to e-mail the campus president at Long Beach and let him know how important it is that we go through a process to eliminate a program.

- 1.2 Student M. Merchado announced: There will be rally today in front of the bookstore at 3:15 p.m. against the unit caps that Jerry Brown is proposing in his 2013-2014 budget proposal that will limit students to 225 units before losing state subsidized cost and forcing students to out-of-state cost of their education. We are asking people to speak out against this policy that is blaming students for not graduating on time, even though the reason we are struggling to graduate is because we can't get the classes that we need. The rally starts at 3:15 p.m. in front of the bookstore. If you have any questions, please come out and ask us and please show your support. I have some handouts I will leave on the table here. Thank you very much.

2. None.

INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS

3. It was m/s/p (Classen) to approve the minutes of the meeting of April 16, 2013 (ASM 12-16).

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

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“TEACHING SCIENCE PROCESS IN
THE AGE OF CLIMATE CHANGE”
*Presented by Carlos Robles, the 2013
President’s Distinguished Professor*

ADJOURNMENT

4. It was m/s/p (Porter) to approve the agenda.
5. Carlos Robles, the 2013 President’s Distinguished Professor, presented a lecture on “Teaching Science Process in the Age of Climate Change.” A question and answer period followed.
6. It was m/s/p (Warter-Perez) to adjourn at 3:10 p.m.