

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES

FISCAL POLICY COMMITTEE

FiPC 09-08

MINUTES OF THE MEETING: February 22nd, 2010

PRESENT: J. A. Gomez, S. Herrera, K. JivanJee, I. Kim,
M. Soldatenko, Y.Song, D. Weaver, L. Whitcomb

EXCUSED ABSENCE: J. Benedict, P. Semrau, M. Wallace

ABSENT: K. Karimlou, F. Zhou

TIME-CERTAIN GUEST: D. Cardoza

L. Whitcomb, FiPC Chair, convened the meeting at 10:05 a.m.

1. Announcements

None.

2. Intent to Raise Questions

Questions raised were addressed during the Time-Certain.

3. Liaison Report

M. Soldatenko reported as follows:

The Executive Committee is discussing/reviewing the following items:

- Possibility of double-counting General Education courses.
- Suspension of 300-level IHE for another year.
- President's graduation initiative for "super seniors" (over 250 units).
- Early start remediation.
- Policies and procedures for temporary suspension of Academic Programs.

4. Approval of the Agenda (FiPC 09-08)

M/s/p (D. Weaver) to approve the agenda as submitted.

5. Approval of the Minutes (FiPC 09-07)

M/s/p (M. Soldatenko) to approve the minutes as amended.

6. Academic Affairs Budget Issues

Time-Certain – *D. Cardoza, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs*

Dr. Cardoza responded to questions from Committee members regarding allocation of funds to non-college programs and projects, universitywide allocated funds, and the criteria used to allocate funds to the Colleges.

Academic Affairs has no expectation of obtaining a larger share of the university budget to deal with the budget crisis next year. Faculty salary benefits in the university wide allocated funds that are not spent due to layoffs of part-time faculty are not guaranteed to come back to the Academic Affairs budget. Staff reductions for Academic Affairs will most likely be required next year. Efforts are being made to try to retain all tenured and tenure-track faculty for next year; these decisions are for the most part in the hands of the deans. The additional \$2.5 million allocation for Fall 2010 will not be split equally among all colleges, but instead targeted at bottle neck courses. The shift from year-round to 9 month chairs is expensive in the short run due to vacation time owed; in the future, responsibilities of year-round chairs will most likely be covered by partial P-quarters. As a result of changes in Academic Affairs Management Group decision-making, each college is provided with what must be spent to meet FTES targets, rather than, as in the past, allotted insufficient budgets to meet targets. Budgeting changes within Academic Affairs are just beginning to be reflected in RAP documents.

L. Whitcomb requested College representatives to submit a brief summary concerning faculty participation in fiscal decision-making in each college for discussion during the next meeting.

7. Adjournment

M/s/p (S. Herrera) to adjourn at 11:25 a.m.