

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES
Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs

ACADEMIC SENATE, STUDENT POLICY COMMITTEE

November 8, 2007, 1:30 - 3:10 p.m., SA 110

MINUTES

Present: T. Bell, D. Borough, C. Gladish, K. Foster, M. Javeri J. Orta, A. Reed, A. Ross, C. Sun, V. Talavera-Bustillos

Excused: J. Chemel

Absent: J. Kennedy

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by V. Talavera-Bustillos, Chair, at 1:40 p.m.

2. Announcements

2.1 V. Talavera-Bustillos announced, A. Reed agreed to represent the Student Policy Committee on the Accessible Technology Initiative's Instructional Materials Workgroup.

2.2 V. Talavera-Bustillos also announced the Colonialism conference this Saturday, November 10, 2007.

3. Intent to Raise Questions

None.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the October 25, 2007 (SPC 07-02)

M/S/P approval of the minutes.

5. Approval of the Agenda

M/S/P approval of agenda.

6. Liaison Reports

6.1. Executive Committee

6.1.1 The Academic Senate encourages the Student Policy to continue to gather background information in order to be better informed on the issues of freedom of expression.

6.1.2 The Academic Senate intends to invite legal counsel to present to the executive committee on the latest changes to the freedom of speech document.

6.1.3 There was a consensus opposing the MBA fee increase statewide.

6.1.4 Dr. Ethan Lipton, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs presented to the Student Educational Equity Advisory Committee and asked them to investigate first-time freshmen drop out rates. Pilot programs are being looked at to increase retention rates.

6.2. Associated Students, Inc.
None.

7. Old Business

7.1. Freedom of Speech

Based on the executive committee's report on the status of the freedom of speech document, the Student Policy Committee has decided to table the review of the three documents, the *CSU Handbook of Free Speech Issues*, SDSU Freedom of Expression policy and CSULA's *President's Directive Regarding the Use of State University Buildings and Grounds*, until we receive further instructions from the Academic Senate. In the meantime, the committee agreed to review websites or other information that concerns freedom of expression on other university and college campuses.

8. Adjournment

M/s/p to adjourn at 2:29 p.m.