

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

ACADEMIC SENATE, STUDENT POLICY COMMITTEE

January 22, 2009, 1:30 - 3:10 p.m., SA 110

MINUTES

Present: K. Foster, J. Kennedy, K. Mew, J. Orta, N. Pulchritudoff, A. Ross, R. Salinas,
V. Talavera-Bustillos, L. Williams, A. Wood, M. Zepeda

Absent: J. Galeas, M. Javeri

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by A. Wood, Chair at 1:42 p.m.

2. Announcements

None.

3. Approval of the Minutes of November 13, 2008 (SPC 08-03)

M/S/P approval of the minutes.

4. Approval of the Agenda

M/S/P approval of agenda.

5. Intent to Raise Questions

None.

6. Liaison Reports

6.1. Executive Committee Liaison

M. Zepeda reported on the progress of the Executive Committee. The committee had a time certain with external reviewers for the Library. Libraries are the first to be cut when there is a budget downfall. On conversion to semesters, the Executive committee has urged administrators to get faculty input and consultation prior to moving forward with the semester conversion. M. Zepeda further reported that the Executive Committee is making recommendations to the Provost to involve various standing committees in the processes without creating new committees. Issues of concern include calendar, faculty workload, release time, and advising. The Executive Committee is trying to be proactive.

The Executive Committee also heard a presentation by Dr. Alfredo Gonzalez, Dean of Undergraduate Studies. He outlined the proposal for the Honors College. The Executive Committee urges the Student Policy Committee to invite A. Gonzalez to be a guest speaker at one of its future meetings to gather input. There was consensus to invite him to the next meeting.

In response to the Executive Committee Liaison report, the following concerns were voiced by Student Policy Committee members.

Faculty members expressed their concern about the lack of supervision of high school students in the L.A. High School for the Performing Arts. They stated that these students have, over the years, destroyed numerous musical instruments, and nothing has been done about this financial loss to CSULA. They do not want to see a repeat with the students at the Stern Math and Science High School. They have repeatedly voiced their concerns for a lack of respect for university property among these high school students, but these issues have not yielded any satisfactory resolution to date. The faculty members on this SPC are concerned that their policies could evolve into another "laissez faire" attitude toward students' destruction of university property.

- 6.2. Associated Students, Inc.
None.

- 6.3 Academic Advisement Subcommittee
R. Salinas reported the subcommittee is in its third round of discussions on general education.

The subcommittee is also reviewing and assessing road maps. If departmental road maps are current and up to date, are they consistent with the road maps on-line? Discussions are on-going.

7. Adjournment
M/s/p to adjourn at 2:39 p.m.