CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, HAYWARD

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of
the ACADEMIC SENATE
Approved as presented

Minutes of the Meeting of April 24, 2001

Members present: Kevin Callahan, Cal Caplan, Nancy Fegan, William Langan, Sue Opp, Norma Rees, Henry Reichman, Don Sawyer, Eric Soares, Emily Stoper

Members absent: Sally Murphy, Don Wort

Guests: Debra Farar, Roland Heine, Valerie Helgren-Lempesis, Frank Martino, Tom McCoy, Dick Metz, Sonjia Redmond, Vincenzo Traversa, Joe Zelan

1. Visit With Trustee Debra Farar

Among the topics discussed with Trustee Farar were: the progress of discussions over empowering the CSU to grant the Ed.D. degree; the CSU Academic Senate resolution of support for granting the Ed.D. degree conditional upon reinstatement of differential financing for all graduate degrees; the California Master Plan for Higher Education; faculty concerns over collective bargaining procedures, the declining quality of education in the CSU, and the need for increased instructional funding and tenure-track positions; increased difficulties of hiring quality part-time lecturers; the possible reduction in faculty work-load; the effects of the energy crisis on the CSU budget; and the need to fund enrollment growth at more than marginal rates.

2. Approval of the agenda

M/S/P (Callahan/Caplan) to approve the agenda.

3. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of April 17, 2001 - Minutes were not yet available.

4. Reports

A. Report of the Chair

The campus has received the promised memo from Vice-Chancellor Spence. Both the memo and the cover letter from the Chancellor, addressed to the Senate Chair in response to the Senate Resolution Regarding the Academic Calendar, passed on March 6, 2001, will be published on the Calendar Task Force web page linked to the Senate web page. In the memo, Dr. Spence observes that reasons for converting to semesters "include matters of cost, curricular innovation, improved student access to classes and to financial aid, student progression to the degree, more efficient admissions, registration and other administration, more effective student transfer, and others." The memo calls for a response from the President, but Dr. Spence indicated in a meeting at Long Beach last week that he could not imagine imposing conversion if the faculty were truly against it. He also indicated that a great deal of flexibility existed concerning workload, and noted that a number of campuses had adopted a workload of three 4-unit courses per semester.

- One campus that converted over twelve years ago reports residual hard feelings resulting from conflicts over territorial issues related to General Education and other requirements.

M/S/P (Langan/Sawyer) to appoint Phil Duren (Teacher Education) as Jose Lopez’ replacement on CAPR
for the Spring Quarter.

In consultation with the Provost, the Chair suggested that School policies could be filed on the Academic Affairs web page for access by other Schools and all faculty.

The CSU and CFA have agreed to extend rights to a five-year FERP program for the 2001-2002 academic year, independent of collective bargaining. Reichman observed that this had been done during the corresponding stage of contract negotiations for the prior CBA.

**B. Report of the President**
The President recently visited five Universities in Taiwan, two of which expressed interest in sending students to Cal State, Hayward for their mandatory "semester abroad" program.

**C. Report of the Statewide Academic Senators**
A plenary session is scheduled for May, to include final disposition of the resolution on the Ed.D. degree.

5. **Appointments/Nominations:**

Search Committee for the Assistant Vice President, Human Resources - Mary Timney (Public Administration) was appointed.

Search Committee for the Associate Vice President, Student Affairs - held over until the next meeting.

Budget Advisory Committee - Cal Caplan was nominated for the SEAS two-year vacancy. The nomination for the SBE vacancy was held over until the next meeting.

Contra Costa Advisory Committee - appointments held over until the next meeting.

Campus Physical Planning Committee - Don Sawyer was appointed to a one-year term.

University Advancement Faculty Liaison Committee - Steve Benson (Biological Sciences) and Susan Sunderland (Recreation & Community Services) were re-appointed to two-year terms.

Transportation Committee - Nancy Fegan was appointed to a two-year term.

University Union Board of Directors - Sue Opp was appointed to a two-year term.

Affirmative Action Liaison Officer (2001-03) - This nomination was held over until the next meeting.

6. **0-01 CIC 18, Recommendations for Continuing and Strengthening the Honors Program**

*M/S* (Soares/Sawyer) to place 00-01 CIC 18 on the Senate agenda.

Concern was expressed over the format of the actions recommended for adoption. Some are in the form of background information; others are proposals; some are not specific. The requirement of a 3.6 GPA for transfer students is inconsistent with the GPA of 3.5 set by the Honors Transfer Council of California.
Establishment of an Honors Seminar requires submission of a New Course Proposal. The proposal does not establish a clear line of authority that is recognized as desirable. Allocation of 12 wtu's for the Honors Coordinator seems excessive, particularly in light of the increased support promised by Dr. Bellone from his office. An overall plan for what the Honors Program will look like if all suggested actions are adopted, similar to a Program Modification Proposal, is desirable.

M/S/P (Fegan/Langan) to refer CIC 18 back to CIC, with the request that the above concerns be addressed.

7. 00-01 CIC 19, Retention of Infrequently Offered Courses

M/S/P (Reichman/Fegan) to place 00-01 CIC 19 on the Senate agenda.

It will be proposed on the senate floor that MLL 3116 and 3117 be moved to the list of courses retained for one more year.

8. 00-01 CIC 20, Addition of PHIL 3216, Philosophy and Science Fiction (4) to the List of Courses Satisfying G.E. Area C4, Upper division Humanities, under the 1998-2002 Program

M/S/P (Reichman/Langan) to place 00-01 CIC 20 on the Senate agenda (with the New Course proposal attached.)

Senators need some information about the course if they are to approve or disapprove its applicability to GE. CIC will be asked to develop a system for providing course descriptions and a summary of their suitability for the GE purpose being proposed, or the posting of course proposals on the Senate web page, or some other means of providing the relevant information, for similar actions proposed next year.

9. Adjournment

M/S/P (Langan/Fegan) to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

William Langan, Secretary