

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY

OFFICE OF THE  
ACADEMIC SENATE

Approved as corrected

Minutes of the meeting of the Academic Senate Meeting, Tuesday, May 16, 2006

Members present: James Ahiakpor, Eileen Barrett, Tom Bickley, David Bowen, Tom Cadwallader, Cal Caplan, Dennis Chester, Jennifer Eagan, Denise Fleming, Karina Garbesi, Tom Hird, Mark Karplus, Dawna Komorosky, Nan Maxwell, Laura Nelson, Julie Norton, Emily Nye, Susan Opp, Chung-Hsing Ouyang, Barbara Paige, Pamela Parlocha, Steve Peng, Robert Phelps, Don Sawyer, Michael Schutz, Jeffery Seitz, Jason Singley, Eric Soares, Barbara Storms, Eric Suess, Jay Tontz, Bruce Trumbo, Steve Ugbah, Mitch Watnik, Donna Wiley, Diane Rush Woods, Don Wort, Jin Yan

Members absent: Tom Acord, Linda Beebe, Kevin Callahan, Saurabh Chaudhuri, Jennifer Daniels, Susan Gubernat, Scott Hopkins, Charlene Jacinto, Eve Lynch, Bijan Mashaw, Rebecca McCormack, Norma Rees, Hank Reichman, Tomas Santiago, Shazad Satar

Guests: Sam Basu, Carl Bellone, Bob Brauer, Bill Dinehart, Sandra Ehrhorn, Gary Freund, Jiansheng Guo, Patricia Guthrie, James Kelly, Angela Lujan, Michael Leung, Saeid Motavalli, Glen Perry, Reuben Ramirez, Marilyn Silva, Melany Spielman, Arthurlene Towner, Peter Wilson, Gale Young

Meeting convened at 2:05 p.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

M/S/P (Caplan/Soares) to approve the agenda, as amended to discuss a draft resolution in the place of the minutes, which are not yet available.

2. Approval of the Minutes substituted with a discussion of a Resolution of Commendation for President Norma Rees. Chair Sawyer distributed a rough draft of the Commendation to thank President Rees for her many years of service to the University. James Kelly noted that the wording in the draft said President Rees was retiring and pointed out that she still has one year left and is rather stepping down. Sawyer pointed out that the final Commendation would be on nice paper, suitable for framing. Watnik suggested changing "its" to "university" in the first paragraph; and "...community "the university" serves..." later in the resolution. M/S/P unanimously (Wort/Eagan) to approve the Resolution of Commendation for President Norma Rees

3. **05-06 CIC 15**, General Education Application of Courses

M/S/P (Maxwell/Caplan) to approve 05-06 CIC 15

4. **05-06 CIC 16**, Upper Division G.E. Application of Courses

M/S/P (Opp/Garbesi) to approve 05-06 CIC 16

5. **05-06 CIC 18**, Proposed New Option in Computer Engineering (to be revised on the senate floor to add "in the B.S. in Engineering" to the action requested)

M/S/P (Wort/Tontz) to approve 05-06 CIC 18, as revised

6. **05-06 CIC 26**, Retention of Infrequently Offered Courses

M/S/P (Opp/Caplan) to approve 05-06 CIC 26 as corrected

Maxwell pointed out a correction on page 1 “Engineering Economy” should read “Engineering of Economics.” [It was later noted by Academic Programs that the official name of the course is Engineering Economy,” so it was not changed on the document] Paige requested that Ethnic Studies 3290 and Latin American Studies 3000 be moved to the retention list.

7. B.A. in Human Development:

- **05-06 CIC 27**, Proposed New Option in Early Childhood Development
- **05-06 CIC 28**, Proposed New Option in Women’s Development
- **05-06 CIC 29**, Request for Approval of Discontinuance of the Option in Gerontology

M/S/P (Caplan/Opp) to approve 05-06 CIC 27

M/S/P (Storms/Caplan) to approve 05-06 CIC 28

M/S/P (Soares/Eagan) to approve 05-06 CIC 29

Eagan corrected “Women’s Studies” to read “Women’s Development” in the backup to CIC 28. Eagan questioned whether or not the Women’s Study Minor is being folded into the Department of Human Development. Associate Dean Silva stated that the minor is not in question, and, effective immediately, the Department of Women’s Studies program will be housed within the Human Development department.

8. B.S. in Recreation:

- **05-06 CIC 30**, Proposed New Option in Hospitality Management
- **05-06 CIC 31**, Proposed New Option in Leisure Management
- **05-06 CIC 32**, Request for Approval of Discontinuance of the Option in Environmental Recreation and the Minor in Environmental Recreation

M/S/P (Tontz/Caplan) to approve 05-06 CIC 30

M/S/P (Tontz/Paige) to approve 05-06 CIC 31

M/S/P (Caplan/Soares) to approve 05-06 CIC 32

9. **05-06 CAPR 14**, Five-Year Program Review for the BS and MS in Statistics

M/S/P (Trumbo/Eagan) to approve 05-06 CAPR 14

10. **05-06 CAPR 15**, Five-Year Program Review of the Geological Sciences Programs

M/S/P (Norton/Caplan) with four abstentions to approve 05-06 CAPR 15, as amended

Sawyer reported that the Geology faculty noted some inaccuracies in the Document, which they would like corrected; a handout of the amended Action Requested statement was distributed. Opp asked what the inaccuracies were. Norton said it had to do with the SFR values. Seitz noted others, for example they do not have a credential program. Sawyer noted that CAPR has done the review and there is no time for them to go back over it, however in fairness and for the sake of historical accuracy, a statement correcting the errors could be appended. Singley asked about the difference between the Annual Report and “annual monitoring”.

M/S/P (Caplan/Norton) to amend 05-06 CAPR 15 to read: “Acceptance of the Five-Year Program Review of the Degree Programs in Geological Sciences and approval of the continuation of the programs, with annual monitoring by CAPR and the Dean, of issues identified in the program review, particularly of the MS degree program, until the next review in 2009-10 and that the Program faculty response, signed by the Dean, correcting inaccuracies of the Review document, be sent to the Senate Office before the end of the academic year and be attached as part of the permanent records of the Five Year Program Review.”

11. **05-06 CAPR 16**, Five-Year Program Review for Psychology

M/S/P (Maxwell/Opp) to approve 05-06 CAPR 16

12. **05-06 FAC 7**, University Policy on Faculty Office, Laboratory, and Studio Space

M/S/P (Caplan/Maxwell) to approve 05-06 FAC 7

M/S/P (Caplan/Schutz) to amend 05-06 FAC 7 as provided in the handout of draft changes

Barrett explained that the changes to 05-06 FAC 7, which FAC consented to via email vote, came in part from discussions at Ex Com and in part from a request from President Rees that the document be labeled “Goals and Recommendations” as opposed to “Policy.” Caplan stated there is a system-wide space policy and if a local policy conflicts, we will need to fix it; a local policy should be developed and it must be approved by this body. Watnik asked why it is necessary for the President to sign the motion. Sawyer stated that the Bylaws provide for the President’s approval and that the President would not sign the document as written.

M/S/P (Karplus/Schutz) with 3 nos and one abstention to amend to include “including lecturer faculty.”

- Schutz suggested a friendly amendment to use “of representation of both regular and lecturer faculty.” Norton pointed out that lecturers have a great deal to lose here and so should be included in any discussions. Several noted that lecturers are included in the definition of “faculty.”  
 - Trumbo stated that since there is not enough space for all faculty to have single offices, he proposes an interim step to make sure that tenure track/tenured faculty have no more than two faculty per office. Singley stated that the proportion of faculty with single offices are asymmetrical among the colleges, giving the percentages. He also noted lightheartedly that voting for a principle such as this is equivalent to voting for better winter weather. Storms added that there is no mention of what a timely response would constitute. There should be a timeline such as 07-08 in which to initiate it.

M/S/P (Storms/Garbesi) to amend 05-06 FAC 7 to set academic year 07-08 as a target date

Barrett stated that the data was collected in a very unscientific way; thus, the numbers are incorrect. In addition, it was not noted in the document that CBE faculty are housed in trailers and that nearly 60% of CEAS lecturers are student teacher supervisors who do not come to campus or hold office hours and therefore do not have offices.

Dean Leung stated that, although the numbers may not be accurate, parity between the Colleges exists regarding office space for faculty. He added that the document itself will not “generate space”, so we will need to work collaboratively to effect solutions.

M/S/P (Eagan/Schutz) to amend 05-06 FAC 7 to eliminate the word “possibly”

### 13. **05-06 BEC 6**, Election of a Staff representative to the Senate for 06-08

Sawyer invited the three candidates, Evelia Jimenez, William Dinehart and Reuben Ramirez to address the Senate. Two of the candidates were present, Dinehart and Ramirez. Both introduced themselves and gave the body an overview of their background and interest in serving in the Senate. An anonymous vote was taken.

- Ruben Ramirez was elected to represent the staff, 06-08.

### 14. Report regarding pending Textbook Rental Legislation (AB2477) (Sandra Ehrhorn)

Sandra Ehrhorn stated that AB 2477 requires university to make efforts to contain textbook prices and recommended that universities consider textbook rentals, which could cost students more rather than less. She noted that with rental, all students would have a book in hand, which might be helpful, however Maxwell noted that if the student wants to keep the book he/she would have to rent it *and* buy it. AB1819, still in process, may affect academic freedom as faculty could be mandated to use the same materials for a given amount of time, perhaps two years. Thus, faculty may be required to use outdated materials.

Caplan responded that he sees this as an academic freedom issue that would interfere with Faculty’s choice of curriculum materials and he would not be in favor of it. Garbesi said that the Senate should

respond to the bill. Kelly extolled Ehrhorn for her work on this as well as her work with helping the Katrina Students with textbook needs.

M/S/P (Garbesi/Singley) that the Senate send a letter to the Legislature indicating opposition to AB 1819

#### 15. Discussion of Proposed Draft University Objectives (Bellone)

Carl Bellone provided an update on the draft university objectives for WASC. In response to prior Senate and Ex Com comments that the goals and outcomes are very broad and thus difficult to measure, Bellone distributed some draft objectives and outcomes from divisions, where the goals and outcomes are more fine-grained. The focus is on a bottom up, rather than top down process. Bellone stated that the units are best situated to determine their own specific objectives and measurements. Garbesi stated that many of the goals and objectives are processes that will take time. Bellone stated that this is a process that should have occurred two years ago and that CSUEB is responding to a lot of demands in a relatively short time.

#### 16. WASC update

Carl Bellone and Gail Young provided an update on the WASC timeline, which runs through March 07, when the Educational Effectiveness portion is submitted. CSUEB is in the final stages of preparing the WASC report. Young stated that good progress is being made. Ten faculty working in a learning community have piloted GE rubrics and gathered assessment data for evaluating undergraduate general education outcomes, which will go to CIC and the Senate in the Fall. The Early Alert program was successful and system data will culminate in a suggested process. Samples from the campus climate survey were representative of faculty, staff, and students and have yielded a great deal of data to analyze (Ugbah/Hogan/Young); results will be available on the web in early June and will go to the Senate in early Fall. There will be a free lunch meeting on May 31 (email invitations will be sent) to present five-minute executive summaries from team leaders and gather input from faculty.

#### 17. Discussion of Extension Credit/GPA Conversion From SIS to PeopleSoft (Perry)

- Glen Perry reported on the PeopleSoft conversion and the areas where implementation runs into academic policy. There is an effort to identify issues and bring these to the faculty for input and solutions; they will be working on conversion over the summer. Formerly, all academic records were kept in the same data base; transcripts contained all records with GPA, etc. Later, due to the SIS+ program limitations, there was a decision to maintain three separate records: undergraduate, graduate, and extension. As the conversion to PeopleSoft moves forward, the question is whether or not to maintain separate transcript data bases, move back to a single transcript (which would affect undergraduate GPA and Honors) or change to two data bases: one for undergraduate and graduate records and another for extension and non-academic courses. There would likely be an impact on academic renewal if changed.
- Caplan expressed concern that only courses that count toward your degree be in the GPA; asked if extension courses would affect the GPA; Perry stated that they would. Caplan asked that within the major, could faculty choose what will apply to the major; Perry stated, that, at the undergraduate level, if a student needs a course from extension to satisfy requirements, then all courses from extension must count. At the graduate level, there is the ability to pick and choose.
- Garbesi stated that she is opposed to having a software system drive policy. Perry stated that a three-transcript system is possible, if the faculty so desires. Opp stated that she does not see a conflict with Open University. She asked if the autowait list will differentiate between regular students and open university student; Perry stated that it will not. Singley stated that coursework taken in the course of extension should not be distinguished from regular sessions. Provost Kelly stated that there is a distinction between courses taken in Open University that are academic and credit-bearing, versus those that are not credit-bearing.

M/S/P (Opp/Wiley) to adopt the two-transcript model in the PeopleSoft conversion.

#### 18. Report from the current Academic Council on International Programs (ACIP) representative.

Michael Lee reported on the status of International Programs. Numbers are down, in part due to the decrease in BCLAD programs. Long Beach has 4 international scholarships and a CSUEB student got one of them. Another student may get a Wang Award Scholarship. The system-wide goal is to send 1,000 students abroad next year. This year 755 students applied and 622 were accepted (8 from CSUEB). We have a good applicant success rate, but we should have more applicants for the size of the university. The funding for next year's program is \$4.5 million (general fund and student fees).

Donna Wiley will be the representative for the next three years, and Lee noted he was supportive of the selection of Wiley and offered to help when needed. ACIP's Spring conference was on this campus, wonderfully organized (Wade/Brauer); faculty involvement was good. The President held a reception at her house and Lee thanked her for her generosity and hopes that the new President will be as supportive of the program. Lee went to Chile to help iron out some problems there. An issue was put to the ACIP Committee to resume the program in Israel and was voted 12 to 2 against reopening it for security reasons; looking at new programs in Greece and Peru; The study abroad liaison faculty are asking for voting rights on ACIP and an Ad Hoc Committee will be dealing with that in the coming year. The full report will be on the Senate Minutes web page.

## 19. Reports

### A. Report of the Chair

- Upcoming events include the Student Health Services Health Fair on May 17 on the Bookstore Lawn, Michael Duffett will speak on "Ancient Paths/Modern Journeys: Antiquity Versus Globalization" on May 19 in the University Theatre, the induction of five CSUEB athletes and Coach Cal Caplan into the Hall of Fame on May 19 at the Fremont Marriott Hotel, Survivor... Soberfest Island on May 24 on the Bookstore Lawn, and the faculty softball game and BBQ on May 19.

### B. Report of the President

- Interim Provost Kelly congratulated Dr. Arthurlene Towner on her promotion to Associate Provost.
- He also announced that 33 faculty have been awarded Faculty Development Grants for a total of \$22,446. (Award letters not yet out.)
- Searches for Tenure-Track Faculty have resulted in 33 acceptances; 2 offers are open; 10 declines; and 10 searches are still ongoing.

### C. Report of the Statewide Academic Senators

Caplan reported that there were 18 resolutions in the Plenary, including a reexamination of the faculty salary structure to address issues such as compression, language affecting the Ed.D., and budget priorities for 07-08. A major concern is AB 2168, which would mandate a single GE package for all CSU's and UC's. Caplan stated that curricular activities are the responsibility of the faculty and should not be legislated as this reduces campus autonomy and program distinctiveness. CSU will not achieve the goal in reduction for remediation; the system will continue to work on remediation for the foreseeable future and there is hope that the Early Assessment Program will help to mitigate the problem. Finally, campuses are looking to increase enrollment by targeting an under-served population: the military, who are mustering out and may be interested in matriculating. Caplan also announced that Professor Reichman was again elected to the ASCSU Executive Committee.

### D. Report of CFA

Norton reported that the May revise is out and no additional funds were allocated to the CSU, except \$1million for nursing. Still lobbying and hoping for better news.

### E. Report of Student Government

- no report
- Ugbah announced that Sam Basu has accepted a New Jersey Dean position
- Hird announced "Performance Fusion" and encouraged attendance at the performances featuring advanced students.

## 20. Adjournment

M/S/P (Maxwell/Schutz) to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Denise Fleming, Secretary