

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY

OFFICE OF THE
ACADEMIC SENATE

Approved as presented

Minutes of the Academic Senate Meeting, Tuesday, November 29, 2005

Members Present: Tom Acord, Eileen Barrett, Tom Bickley, David Bowen, Tom Cadwallader, Cal Caplan, Dennis Chester, Jennifer Daniels, Denise Fleming, Susan Gubernat, Tom Hird, Scott Hopkins, Leo Kahane, Mark Karplus, Dawna Komorosky, Jane Lopus, Bijan Mashaw, Nan Maxwell, Laura Nelson, Julie Norton, Emily Nye, Susan Opp, Chung-Hsing Ouyang, Pamela Parlocha, Robert Phelps, Norma Rees, Hank Reichman, Don Sawyer, Michael Schutz, Jeffery Seitz, Jason Singley, Eric Soares, Barbara Storms, Jay Tontz, Bruce Trumbo, Steve Ugbah, Mitch Watnik, Donna Wiley, Diane Rush Woods, Don Wort

Members Absent: Linda Beebe, Kevin Callahan, Saurabh Chaudhuri, Jennifer Eagan, Karina Garbesi, Charlene Jacinto, Eve Lynch, Rebecca McCormack, Barbara Paige, Tomas Santiago, Shazad Satar, Eric Suess, Teri White, Jin Yan

Guests: Jackie Alnor, Dee Andrews, Bob Brauer, Susan Correia, Trustee Debra Farar, Tom McCoy, Faculty Trustee Craig Smith, Arthurlene Towner

At 2:05 PM, the two visiting Trustees, Debra Farar and Faculty Trustee Craig Smith, were introduced to the Senate by Eric Soares, Vice Chair. The Trustees provided interesting opinions and perspectives on various topics. The Senators asked questions and provided feedback to the Trustees regarding topics of concern to CSUEB.

Meeting called to order at 3:00 p. m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

M/S/P (Schutz/Tontz) to approve the agenda as amended with removal of the word "organizational" in item #2

2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of November 1, 2005

M/S/P (Ugbah/Maxwell) to approve the minutes of the meeting of November 1, 2005

3. Reports

A. Report of the Chair

- Announced that the Advisory Committee for the Selection of the President met today in its one and only open session; all other meetings will be closed and members of the Committee must maintain confidentiality. The Chair requested

that all present be supportive of the Committee and respect the confidentiality surrounding the search. The Chair anticipates that in the week of May 8, 2006 candidates for the position will be on campus; meeting dates and times will be announced in advance.

- Announced upcoming events such as: Smith center speaker Gene Burns of “Dining Around” will be on campus, Dec 5-16 campus coat and sweater drive, Dec 7 “Life of a Symphony Conductor,” and the Theatre production of “A Christmas Carol” on Dec 9 and 10.

B. Report of the President

- No report

C. Report of the Statewide Academic Senators

- Reichman reported that interim committee meetings will be held Friday, December 2 in Long Beach. Due to time constraints, Reichman announced he will report on plenary session at next Senate meeting. Reported that ICAS is working on a joint letter to WASC raising questions about how accreditation process works and asking WASC representatives to meet with ICAS representatives. Caplan announced that minutes of the Statewide Senate will be posted by email and are also available on the Senate website.

D. Report of CFA

- CFA is planning a protest at the next Board of Trustees meeting to express dismay over “take backs” and to announce that such actions will make future bargaining more difficult.

E. Report of Student Government

- No report

4. **05-06 COBRA 2**, Recommendations on Budget Reports

M/S/P (Caplan/Ugbah) to approve

5. **05-06 CAPR 2**, Five Year Program Review for History

M/S/P (Maxwell/Reichman) to accept the 5-year Program Review of the History Programs and approve the continuation of the program without modification.

Wiley noted that a 4 point scale is stated, yet some have 5 points. Norton replied that most had 4 but the ones with a five point scale should be noted. Opp commented on the length of the report and expressed concern about workload implications for CAPR. Norton replied that the reports vary in length, often determined by the person authoring the report. Norton noted that CAPR has determined that seven items must be covered in the report. Andrews, Reichman, and Sawyer commended CAPR for their work on this review; they did a great job. Reichman was pleased with the report but expressed concern that five-year reviews may become a sort of “assessment of assessments”; cautioned the body. Maxwell expressed

appreciation of the review process as an opportunity to engage in dialogue as a department and focus both on progress made as well as future goals; noted concerns on the rubric.

6. **04-05 CIC 33** and **05-06 CAPR 1**, Special Major Name Change

M/S/P (Opp/Wiley) to approve the name change of Special Major degrees to “Interdisciplinary Studies”, as amended to add “effective Fall 2007.”

Trumbo expressed concern that a Special Major is not always interdisciplinary. Wiley stated that by definition a minimum of two departments must be involved for the Special Majors.

7. **05-06 CIC 4**, Upper Division General Education application of courses in Areas C and D

M/S/P (Opp/Wiley) to approve the courses for 04-09 and earlier catalogs; effective Winter 06

8. **05-06 FAC 1**, Veterans Day Holiday and the Ten Year Calendar

M/S/P (Caplan/Wiley) to approve

Hopkins expressed belief that this proposal is a quick fix to something that does not work well; stated that having courses start on Jan 2 does not work well either. Sawyer stated that 05-06 FAC 1 is intended solely to address issues raised by Veteran’s Day. Seitz pointed out need to change name from “Hayward” to “East Bay” on document.

Caplan asked that the Chair add an agenda item to ExCom to discuss other calendar issues. Schutz added that it is unacceptable that there is a 20% cut in the Winter quarter classroom time for Monday-only classes due to the holidays.

9. Adjournment

M/S/P (Wort/accord) to adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 3:25 p. m.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Fleming, Secretary