1. Approval of the agenda
   M/S/P (Maxwell/Callahan) to approve the agenda as amended to add as item #13 Discussion of draft referral to FAC

2. Approval of the minutes
   No minutes to approve

4. Appointments
   No appointments to approve

5. **05-06 CIC 15**, General Education Application of Courses
   M/S/P (Ugbah/Soares) to place 05-06 CIC 15, General Education Application of Courses, on the Senate agenda

6. **05-06 CIC 16**, Upper Division G.E. Application of Courses
   M/S/P (Callahan/Maxwell) to place 05-06 CIC 16, Upper Division G.E. Application of Courses, on the Senate agenda

7. **05-06 CIC 18**, Proposed New Option in Computer Engineering
   M/S/P (Ugbah/Callahan) to place 05-06 CIC 18, Proposed New Option in Computer Engineering, on the Senate agenda

   Reichman noted that the Library has expressed concern in the past about not being consulted about resources needed for new programs and about the nature and amount of new or additional computer hardware and software that might be needed. Dean Leung stated that the Library already has the electronic journals that will be used by the program. He added that the College of Science already has a lab (equipment money came with the new Tech Building to bring the labs up to par) that will serve the program and that the program will only require additional software. In addition, the new option will require only one new course and will make use of existing resources more effectively; he added that computer engineering is popular at 2 other campuses. Reichman suggested that consultation of the Library be included in the development of any new program, regardless of whether it is believed that adequate resources exist. President Rees expressed her support for the new program.
8. **05-06 CAPR 14**, Five-Year Program Review for the BS and MS in Statistics

M/S/P (Soares/Maxwell) to place 05-06 CAPR 14 Five-Year Program Review for the BS and MS in Statistics, on the Senate agenda

9. **05-06 FAC 7**, University Policy on Faculty Office, Laboratory, and Studio Space

M/S/P (Ugbah/Maxwell) with one abstention to place 05-06 FAC 7, University Policy on Faculty Office, Laboratory, and Studio Space, on the Senate agenda

- Reichman noted that all but two Business faculty have single offices. Maxwell stated that there was no mention that 10 tenured faculty are housed in trailers. Eagan stated that student lounge space is important and should not be compromised. Eagan added that lecturers are often boxed into offices, while some FERP professors often have offices to themselves that may only be used three hours per week. Gubernat wondered in whose aegis this might happen and how does this get scheduled and legislated? Dean Leung stated that he believes that faculty function more effectively if they have some level of privacy and that individual offices should be a goal to achieve, rather than a policy or mandate. In addition, the University has more need of space than it will be able to accommodate in the foreseeable future. Dean Leung stated that there were no offices built in the Science building—only classrooms, labs, and closets; thus, faculty offices are less than optimal conversions of these preexisting spaces. He stated that space issues are always challenging and urged a spirit of collaboration as we work through to solutions. In addition, we need lab space for professional development, as well as equipment for our new faculty. Art people need studio space. In response to Eagan’s plea for student space, President Rees stated that the Library has a number of conference or “quiet” rooms and often sees these unused. She suggested consulting with the Library to determine how and to what degree these offices are used. Karplus questioned the use of the word “space” as opposed to “office.” He also stated that the number of lecturers stated in the document is not accurate, as well as proposing that full time lecturers also receive priority. Barrett stated that the reported office space grid was done by FAC members assessing the campus themselves and thus is not surprised that there are some errors in the numbers, as these are estimates in order to acquire a sense of current space usage. Callahan urged that the points mentioned be clarified on the Senate floor. Maxwell suggested that Barrett be the first to speak to the document at the Senate. President Rees stated that as this document will come forward for Presidential signature, she wants to be sure that it is understood that these are goals, not policy. Eagan stated that, while these are worthy goals, they are not achievable; we are currently in a decentralized mode of allocating space and it appears that this will move us toward a centralized mode. In her opinion, a centralized mode has proved problematic with the classroom allocation process and may also be problematic in allocating office space. There are no timelines and no accountability. If we water this down to goals, we will be relying on good will.

- Provost Kelly stated that he spoke with the Chair about this issue when there were 26 new hires last year and there was an office space challenge. This year there are 46 new searches and the problem will be even greater. Kelly suggested that the space report would provide faculty input into and understanding of the problem. This is not definitive and autocratic. The Deans will have to make changes and need the buy-in of faculty. Rees added that even if all 46 searches were successful, there will still be 11 fewer faculty than 11 years ago and everyone had an office then. Barrett stated that an important part of the document, in FAC’s view, is to state what goes on in faculty offices and the importance of the interactions that happen. Reichman stated that the goals of increasing tenure track faculty and providing more office space are incompatible. Everyone shared offices when he first began teaching here. Gubernat stated that the document should reflect under whose aegis this policy will fall. Callahan stated that this is one part of a larger project and that the Space Committee will come forward with more recommendations, using this as a tool. Karplus stated that office space is a concern for lecturers and has been an issue for the past six years.
10. Update from Search Committee for the G.E. Director

- Bellone reported that the search committee reviewed the single application and recommends that Sally Murphy be reappointed. The recommended term is 3 years, starting 7/1/06, as a 12 month appointment.

M/S/P (Maxwell/Callahan) to appoint Sally Murphy to G.E. Director for the ensuing term.

11. Discussion of Proposed Draft Objectives (Bellone)

- Bellone reported that the process of refining the draft goals and objectives continues. There is an effort both to keep the objectives and goals broad and to make the outcome indicators measurable. Reichman stated his belief that as the goals become broader, the indicators become less amenable to measure. He added that there is nothing in the document to oppose, but neither is there anything that he can see that will promote focus and action. Bellone stated that because the input has been very broad and the process is bottom up rather than top down, the result has been a more open-ended set of goals. That being said, there will be more specific objectives added by units under each division. Ugbah stated that goals can be broad, but objectives should be specific. Bellone stated that the committee felt that these are university wide objectives and that more specificity comes at the unit level.

12. Report regarding upcoming changes at the University Union (Pacheco)

- Monica Pacheco, Director of the University Union and David Baggins, faculty representative on the Board, discussed upcoming changes at the University Union. Pacheco stated that the construction process will be completed in the summer and the new Union building will be ready for Fall. All vendors’ contracts have expired and they are on a month-to-month basis. ExCom expressed concerns about how the food vendors were selected and why some existing vendors were not included in the new plan. In planning, an RFP was done, which hadn’t been done in 15 years, detailing criteria for the needs of the campus. The Board took student, staff, and faculty input, as well as several pressing campus needs, into account; these latter included serving students in on-campus housing, offering higher quality food, and providing weekend and late night service. A single vendor model will allow these needs to be met because the new vendor is willing to take what has historically been a loss on late night and weekend service in exchange for holding the entire service contract. There will be a broad assortment of food choices available.

- In response to President Rees’ request that she describe the composition of the Board, Pacheco stated the Board is comprised of one faculty member, one alumnus, a representative from business affairs, student affairs, associated students, and five student board members. Baggins has served on the Board for a decade.

- Soares stated that the array of services sounds good, but asked what happened to the Campus Corner and the hot dog vendor, who are long time members of the campus community. Baggins stated that this has been the most challenging aspect of the transition; Pacheco added that Campus Corner did not submit a bid. There was discussion about the RFP and about the campus culture. Ugbah stated that the business model makes sense, but that issues of campus community should be entered into the equation. Maxwell questioned the fairness of granting monopoly rights with kickbacks to a vendor and asked if the RFP stated that the winning bidder would have to provide seven day service. Pacheco stated that the cornerstone of the decision-making process was seven day service. Baggins stated that Aramark will be making a substantial investment in upgrading the Union kitchen and that, while it is hoped that they will make money, there is also the potential that they may lose money, which could pose serious problems.

- Reichman stated that he would like to see a space where faculty could eat upscale food and where they could bring in guests or candidates. Baggins stated that, although he, too, would like a faculty dining space with service, this is not financially feasible at present. Instead, he hopes to have a dedicated space where
faculty and staff can bring in their own or purchased food and where catered meals can provide a good atmosphere for events. There will be a bigger array of food offered and choices that speak to students, including a well rounded dining program, healthy choices, fast & sit down choices, (pizza, grill works, Greens on the Go, Home Zone, Worlds Fare, Panda Express, Montagues Deli, Java & Smoothies,., a convenience store (including sushi, veggies, fruits, magazines, toiletries and other dorm needs, etc.). Pacheco noted that a catering chef (not a cook) would be available for events as high as 4 star and as low as a BBQ. Sawyer added that the new food/board plan has made athletic recruiting much easier.

13. Referral to FAC (discussion)

- Soares stated that the draft referral seems to meet his hope that the issue be discussed in a broader sense; he wants to be sure that the charge goes to FAC and that the issue of membership include a discussion of whether seven student members is reasonable since the student representatives often do not attend. Reichman cautioned that politically, reducing the number of student representatives might not be taken well, despite their lack of attendance.

14. Reports

A. Report of the Chair

- The Chair distributed a letter from Richard West in response to ExCom’s letter regarding CSUEB’s potential payback for not meeting the enrollment goals.

- Upcoming events include a celebration for President Rees on May 3 in the Theatre Grove, “An Evening of Contemporary Jewish Dance/Theatre” on May 3 in the University Theatre, “Fools,” a play by Neil Simon, on May 5 and 8 in the University Theatre, and the 5th Annual CSUEB Faculty/Alumni Composers Concert on May 8, in the Music Building Recital Hall. Lowenthal added that there is a CBE meeting on May 12 in MB 255 and invited the Chair to attend.

B. Report of the President

- Jay Colombatto had a heart attack last week and is recovering well.
- The President distributed the latest tenure track appointment list.

C. Report of the Statewide Academic Senators

- Reichmen reported that the Statewide Senate will meet in final Plenary session and hold meetings beginning May 3. He also reported that the referendum to reduce the size of the Statewide Academic Senate passed 20-3.

13. Adjournment

M/S/P (Fleming/Maxwell) to adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 4:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Fleming, Secretary