The Statewide Academic Senate has once again invited campuses to select their nominees for the position of Faculty Trustee, a two-year term. This is a 12-month position, whose duties include attending all Board of Trustee, Trustee Committee, Senate Plenary & Senate Executive Committee meetings. The Faculty Trustee also visits several campuses during their term, to meet with faculty and discuss BoT actions.

The nominees so selected are forwarded to the Statewide Senate Office, where a selection committee narrows the field to two or more candidates for forwarding to the governor. The current incumbent, Craig Smith, serves through June, 2009. Nominations for the next two-year term, 2009-11, are due in the Statewide Senate Office by December 15, 2008. The call memo from the CSU Senate Office is available to interested parties in the Senate Office (LI 2250).

The criteria for faculty who are eligible to serve include:

1. Candidates must be faculty members who are tenured at the California State University at which they teach currently and shall not hold any administrative positions other than department chair or equivalent.

2. Candidates shall have demonstrated records of excellence in teaching, professional achievement and university service.

3. Candidates shall possess experience in academic governance in the California State University.

4. The appointed faculty trustee shall not be a member of the Academic Senate of the California State University. Should the faculty trustee be a member of the Academic Senate CSU at the time of appointment, that person shall resign from the Senate.

5. Questions as to definitions and eligibility shall be resolved by the Academic Senate CSU.

There are two local procedures by which faculty can be selected:
1. Nomination by the Executive Committee and approval by the East Bay Academic Senate;

2. Nomination by petition, with 50 full-time faculty signatures.

Faculty members wishing to be considered for nomination by the Executive Committee should submit their names, in writing, to the Senate Office (LI 2250) by November 4, 2008.

The nominee, when approved by the CSUEB Academic Senate or when submitting a petition, will be given a copy of the CSU Senate Office memo listing the required materials, which should be submitted to the Senate Office by December 1st, to allow time for the President to write a cover letter and materials to be copied and mailed to the Chancellor’s Office for their deadline.