

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, STANISLAUS
Turlock, California

University Educational Policies Committee
May 14, 1998

Present: R. Asher, J. Borba, D. Demetrulias, W. Doraz, J. Elliott, C. Floyd, R. Floyd,
C. Morgan, A. Petrosky, K. Potts, and R. Weikart

Excused: I. Rumayor

- I. *Call to Order.* W. Doraz called the meeting to order at 12:40 p.m.
- II. *Approval of Agenda.* The agenda was approved as distributed.
- III. *Approval of Minutes.* The minutes of May 7, 1998 were approved with the following correction: Item IV.B., paragraph four, the first sentence should read: "For future consideration the committee recognized that one methodology could be selected which was external reviewers for program assessment—not student assessment."
- IV. *Old Business*
 - A. *Student Retention at CSU Stanislaus.* Discussion of student retention will be deferred until fall 1998 pending receipt of materials from K. Mendonca (as stated in the minutes of May 7).
 - B. *Assessment Plan.* Deferred until fall 1998. At that time R. Asher will provide the committee with a draft document incorporating all the discussions of the committee to date.
 - C. *Program Review: History (BA and MA).* Following discussion of the modified program review report from the Academic Program Review subcommittee dated May 5, 1998, it was moved by R. Weikart, seconded by R. Asher, and voted unanimously to approve the History BA and MA program review and recommend program continuation.
- V. *New Business*
 - A. *Final Report for the General Faculty Meeting.* The committee reviewed the draft annual report of the UEPC as prepared by W. Doraz. During the discussion revisions were recommended. W. Doraz will incorporate the revisions in his report to the general faculty. The final annual report will be forwarded to each committee member.
 - B. *Program Review Timeline.* The committee was presented with a draft modified timeline for the review of academic programs. The timeline allows for the deans and Curriculum and Resources committees to review all programs during the spring semester. The Academic Program Review (APR) subcommittee will complete its review of programs during the following fall semester; UEPC will complete its review programs during Winter Term with the results being forwarded to department chairs by the middle of February. Following discussion the

committee unanimously approved the modified timeline which will become effective immediately.

- C. *Program Review: Computer Science.* Following discussion of the final report of the APR subcommittee for the Computer Science program, it was moved by R. Asher, seconded by R. Floyd, and voted unanimously to endorse the final report recommended program continuation.
- D. *Program Review: Honors Program.* Following discussion of the final report of the APR subcommittee for the Honors program, it was moved by C. Floyd, seconded by R. Floyd, and voted unanimously that the committee endorse the recommendations that have come forth from the president, the Master Academic Plan committee, and the Academic Senate regarding the development of a new Honors program, also as reflected in the memo dated March 20, 1998 from the College of Arts, Letters, and Sciences, page 2, last bolded paragraph.
- E. *Institute Review: Institute for the Study of Pension Systems.* Following discussion of the final report of the APR subcommittee for the Institute for the Study of Pension Systems, it was moved by J. Borba, seconded by A. Petrosky, and voted unanimously to improve the final report and recommended continuation of the Institute.
- F. *Program Review: Child Development.* Following discussion of the final report of the APR subcommittee for the Child Development program, it was moved by R. Floyd, seconded by A. Petrosky, and voted unanimously to approve the final report and recommend continuation of the Child Development program.
- G. *Program Review: Social Sciences.* Following discussion of the final report of the APR subcommittee for the Social Sciences program, it was moved by A. Petrosky, seconded by K. Potts, and voted unanimously to approve the final report and recommend continuation of the Social Sciences program.
- H. *University Studies Abroad Consortium.* L. Bunney-Sarhad reported that the Institute for International Studies has been seeking a one-semester study abroad program which would enable our students to stay enrolled at CSU Stanislaus during their study abroad, as they able to do in the year-long CSU international programs. She shared information about the University Studies Abroad Consortium (USAC) which appears to respond to the needs of CSU Stanislaus. There is no cost to the University for the associate membership. The program has been presented to D. Demetrulias, E. Aubert, and the Provost's Deans Council. Following discussion the committee agreed to waive the first reading. It was moved by J. Borba, seconded by C. Floyd, and voted unanimously to endorse proceeding with the application for associate membership with no cost to the university. L. Bunney-Sarhad will be asked to report back to the UEPC on students that have participated in the program.
- I. *Program Review: Cognitive Studies.* The committee received the preliminary report from the APR subcommittee for the Cognitive Studies program. This item will be deferred until fall 1998 at which time the Cognitive Studies program will have had the opportunity to respond to the preliminary report.

VI. *Committee Liaison and Subcommittee Reports*

Annual reports were received from the following subcommittees: Academic Program Review subcommittee, General Education subcommittee, and the University Writing Committee.

VII. *Announcements/Reports.* None.

VIII. *Other.* Representatives from the Graduate Council, Faculty Development Committee, and the Senate Executive Committee joined the Educational Policies Committee at 2:00 p.m. for conversation with Dr. Paul Ferlazzo (Northern Arizona University) and Dr. Ruth Brasher (Brigham Young University). Drs. Ferlazzo and Brasher were visiting CSU Stanislaus for a two-day site visit in response to our petition for an institutional membership in the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi.

IX. *Adjournment.* The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanne Elliott
Recording Secretary

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