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| <p>CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, STANISLAUS</p> <p>ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES Tuesday 14 October 1997</p> <p>Present: Alvarez, Apodaca, Brockman, Bross, Campbell, Curry, Doraz, Farrar, Finley, Fletcher, Hejka-Ekins, Jacob, Keymer, Klein, Leonard, Levering, Lindsay, Lindsley, Nemzer, Pandell, Peterson, Russ, Sanchez, Schmandt, Schmidt, Souza, Thomas, Thompson, Tynan, Waston, Zarling</p> <p>Proxies: Fletcher (Bowen), Johnson (Zhang)</p> <p>Absent: Abukhalil, Borba, Dinse, Fanning, Gackowski, Li, O'Brien, Olivant, Tuedio</p> <p>Guests: Gubarrera (Signal), M.Hughes, Schoenthaler, Strong, Stryker, Sumser</p> <p>Recording Secretary: Diana Saugstad</p> | <p>MAP Report, UPDATE</p> <p>WASC Report, UPDATE</p> <p>12/AS/97/UEPC--Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree, APPROVED</p> <p>13/AS/97/RG--Policy and Procedures for Responding to Allegations of Scientific Misconduct, APPROVED</p> <p>RSCA Task Force Report, DISCUSSED</p> <p>Fundraising Plan, UPDATE</p> <p>Next Academic Senate Meeting: Tuesday, October 28, 1997 2:30-4:30 p.m., South Dining Room</p> <p>Minutes submitted by:</p> <p>Mark Thompson, Clerk</p> |
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The meeting was called to order at 2:35 p.m. It was MSP Fletcher/Leonard to approve the agenda as submitted and MSP Lindsay/Farrar to approve the minutes of 30 September as distributed.

REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Speaker/SEC (Klein)

- a. Tomorrow (is the) retreat on retention featuring J. Herman Blake. Articles are available in the handout Diana has; additional articles will be available at the retreat.
- b. Klein reviewed the CSU technology alphabet: CLRIT (Commission on Learning Resources and Information Technology). Curry noted that \$50K will be available for information competence initiatives. The other initialisms are: ITS (Integrated Technology Strategy), CTI (Commission on Telecommunications Infrastructure), CETI (California Education Technology Initiative) which will become a corporation to build out infrastructure on all campuses, SIP (Systemwide Internal Partnership), CVU (California Virtual University) which has already requested inclusion of our approved distanced learning courses.
- c. New chancellor has been selected, Charles B. Reed, by the Trustees. Additional information is available in the Senate Office.
- d. The Employee Assistance Program is a valuable service for all staff and faculty on campus.
- e. FBAC has encouraged the Speaker to be more aggressive in communicating with the faculty. Klein requested input as to how he might better communicate.

University Educational Policies Committee (Doraz)

- a. Still trying to find people willing to serve on the Academic Program Review subcommittee. Also working on the charges of the subcommittees.
- b. Will bring recommendations on class hours to SEC. Proposed University Hour is deferred until discussion of the class hours is complete.

- c. Still reviewing how academic calendars are constructed and will bring recommendations back to SEC.
- d. Contemplating the subdivision of the off-campus committee due to the many parts of some committees' work. This will be brought before the SEC.
- e. Student Retention document is being reviewed.

Faculty Affairs Committee (Fletcher)

- a. Decided not to bring a recommendation to change "Speaker" to "Chair of the Senate."
- b. Have begun analysis of the comparisons of IDEA and the alternative evaluation instrument. Will meet with the Teaching Evaluation Task Force next week to discuss the two evaluation instruments. Hopefully a new plan can be developed to change the current evaluation instrument.
- c. Met with members of the Merit Pay Task Force on campus. One clear message was that merit pay should be a high priority collective bargaining issue. Also, there was discussion of administrative veto, whether campus Presidents should have prerogative in the selection of awardees, awarding merit pay to departments or schools, awarding one step to members of the review committee, and the possibility of bonuses.

Faculty Budget Advisory Committee (Lindsay)

- a. Provost presented the budget redesign priorities which were well received; FBAC deferred any action until they receive implementation details.

Graduate Council (Hejka-Ekins)

- a. No report.

Statewide Academic Senate (Levering/Russ)

- a. No report

Associated Students (Jacob)

- a. Had AS open house which was well attended.
- b. Appointing new Senator from the School of Business. Will now have a full Senate.
- c. Student Fee Advisory Committee will meet this week.

Other

- a. **MAP (Klein)** (Handout distributed to Senators). Klein requested input.
- b. **WASC (Stryker)** Approximately ten WASC representatives will visit in about one year. They will tour the campus and meet with many different campus groups. The draft document will be distributed to the campus community for feedback in late January or early February. The document will then be sent to the Academic Senate some time in April for approval, and then on to WASC in July 98. Stryker noted that our accreditation is secure and that frees the campus to use the document for a critical analysis. Curry added that Stryker has invested a lot of energy into shaping a well-coordinated self study process.
- c. (Curry) We received a request for a SIP representative. John Saraille will be the campus representative.
- d. Two candidates for the Research and Sponsored Programs position will be on campus next week.

e. Tom O'Neil will be leaving October 31 for a new position in New York. We hope to move quickly to replace him on an interim basis.

ACTION ITEMS

a. **12/AS/97/UEPC--Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree:** (Clarification of degree requirements attached to Agenda) Doraz called the question. The motion passed without dissent and will be sent to the President for action.

b. **13/AS/97/Research & Grants--Policy and Procedures for Responding to Allegations of Scientific Misconduct:** Russ called the question. The motion passed without dissent and will be sent to the President for action.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. **RSCA Task Force Report (Sumser):** Noted that Task Force believes the department should make determinations about the range of definitions and quality of research. The Task Force recommends that all faculty engage in research and scholarship and that all departments establish elaborations. If research, scholarship and creative activity are required as part of the hiring package, the University should support those activities in terms of workload and equipment. Klein noted that the MOU mandates that incoming faculty be informed of RPT requirements at hiring. There was discussion of whether mandated elaborations would be subject to manipulation by wily faculty or whether elaborations were necessary to inform and protect faculty. Farrar noted that there should be a "grandfathering" clause for those who were hired under a certain set of criteria. Thompson questioned whether program development or assessment of programs were included in the definitions. Also the concern that the University level definitions could be different than at the department level. Campbell noted that the process should continue in a more inclusive fashion in the context of teaching and of university service. Sumser noted that the Task Force feels they have reached closure on the document. There was general agreement that the document should move to FAC. Klein will consult with SEC and report back on the recommended path for the report.

b. **Plan for Fundraising (Strong):** Strong noted that people give because they identify with a university or because they feel their giving can make a difference. He noted that current levels of funding do not provide for excellence and that we have trouble meeting even basic needs such as operations. He added that scholarship support is also a major goal of fundraising. This year a new inclusion will be special fundraising events; e.g., a Community and Economic Development Conference will feature Colin Powell. Also a fundraising event with name entertainment at the MCRC. He explained an idea for naming campus buildings and rooms in exchange for support as well as to house cultural displays in classrooms in exchange for support. He further explained an Academic Excellence Fund, governed by the Provost, is being established, and money from the above events will go into this fund. Advancement worked closely with several departments to use funds for academic excellence; a total of \$700K went to the academic side this year. Also the Foundation board has been augmented and is a formidable entity working actively to advance the mission of the University. He has asked every board member to be responsible for one project on our list. Also, faculty are making presentations at each Board meeting. In this way, the Board can not only see what we are doing, they can also see what our needs are. Strong noted that approximately twelve cents of state money is spent to get each dollar of support and that \$200K from the other VP areas were allocated to Advancement last year.

It was MSP Farrar/Thompson for adjournment at 4:31 p.m.