Minutes of the
ACADEMIC SENATE
Tuesday, March 5, 1991
UU 220, 3:00 - 5:00 pm

Preparatory: The meeting was called to order at 3:14 pm.

I. Minutes: The minutes from the February 12, 1991 Academic Senate meeting were approved as presented.

II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): See Academic Senate Chair Report.

III. Reports:

A. Academic Senate Chair.

J. Murphy announced that the Long Range Planning Committee of the Academic Senate is developing criteria for the review of academic programs. Any comments should be directed to Myron Hood, chair of the committee or to J. Murphy who will forward the comments to the committee. When the criteria for review is completed, it will be forwarded to the Academic Senate Executive Committee as a possible agenda item for the full Senate. For the actual program review, one possibility is to formulate a combined committee with members of the Academic Senate Budget Committee and members from the Long Range Planning Committee. The Executive Committee of the Academic Senate will oversee the process.

B. Vice President for Academic Affairs' Office.

R. Koob announced that the Search Committee for the Dean of Architecture and Environmental Design has been formed; a list of the members is available from his office. Public hearings on the draft statement of goals for program evaluation will be conducted during the Spring Quarter. During the month of April, meetings will be held each Thursday from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm to review the goals, university mission, values, etc. R. Koob remarked that it takes the same effort to bring about a program as to remove a program.

C. State Senators.

R. Gooden called attention to the revisions in the ROTC Anti-Discrimination resolution (handout) and to the unofficial final version of the resolution on the 1991-92 California State University Budget Shortfall (handout). The attachment to the budget resolution is a draft of possible cuts as outlined by Tony Moya from the CSU Chancellor's Office. C. Andrews noted that tenured faculty must be given a year's notice before a
lay off; therefore, faculty cuts would not necessarily be an immediate savings. J. Murphy reviewed the proposed budget actions. J. Vilkitis called attention to a potential threat to the faculty retirement fund whereby the State’s contribution to that fund would be reduced by $156 million. He also announced that Bernard Goldstein and Becky Loewy are the candidates for the Faculty Trustee position on the CSU Board of Trustees. Also, the Statewide Senate passed the Full/Subject Area Certification for GE&B. Partial certification will be addressed in an update of EO 342.

D. CFA Campus President.

J. Conway reported that CFA and CSU have reached an MOU agreement and invited all the Senators to attend an informational forum on March 14, 1991 to hear the results of that agreement.

On budget reduction issues, he emphasized that CFA should have a representative on each committee that deals with budget matters according to the governance structure laid out by HEERA. He also urged all faculty to read Article 38 of the MOU, the article on layoffs, for information on how layoffs would proceed should they be implemented. He noted that CFA has a different outlook on the budget crisis from the CSU and would advise cuts in different areas.

E. CSEA Campus President.

B. Glinsky gave the following report: “We are all aware that next year’s budget is bringing major problems to all campuses, and that discussions of how to handle the situation on this campus have been underway for some time. These problems are of mutual concern to the faculty and staff. Since the staff we represent are an integral part of the campus community it would appear only logical that their elected representatives be included in these deliberations which affect their livelihood, and indeed their very lives, as well as affecting the level of support provided to the academic programs on this campus. But, despite repeated requests to the Administration, we have been deliberately excluded.

As a result of this attitude, there have already been cases of Unfair Labor Practices reported to the union, such as calling a meeting to ask the staff to voluntarily reduce their working hours and salaries. We have requested that these infractions cease immediately, and called for a cooperative working relationship. Additionally, we continue to ask for Union representation on all relevant committees. The staff and faculty have always worked together in support of our academic programs, it is important that we continue to work together to ensure that there is no denigration of these programs.”

IV. Consent Agenda:

A. Resolution on Summer Meetings of the Academic Senate Executive Committee-DeMers, Chair of the Constitution & Bylaws committee. Passed.
B. Resolution on Curriculum Committee Meetings-DeMers, Chair of the Constitution & Bylaws Committee. Pulled for regular agenda (C. Andrews). See Business Item I.

V. Business Items:


Discussion centered around a possible foreign language requirement. R. Gooden moved to amend the original motion to require a student to have passed one year of baccalaureate level foreign language or equivalent in order to earn a Certificate for Teaching English as a Second Language. M/S/Passed as amended. (Andrews/Moustafa).


C. Andrews and L. Dalton expressed concerns over the small number of 500 level courses specified in the masters degree program, particularly the small number of 500 level courses in the concentration itself. Apparently, only half the units in a masters program have to be at a 500 level and this program does meet that requirement. L. Ferreira and R. Grinnell emphasized that the masters degree is not in dairy products, but in agriculture and the number of 500 level courses is sufficient. M/S/Passed. (Moustafa/Vilkitis).


E. Resolution on GE&B Curriculum Substitution-Burgunder, Chair of the GE&B Committee, first reading.

L. Burgunder said that there are over 15,000 change requests per year and that many of these are GE&B substitution requests. The present form is designed to streamline the process and to equalize the approval process. The form reduces the number of approval signatures from three to one at the student's own school (the student's adviser must approve the change). The other approval signature is to be from the GE&B school department head. The form only applies to courses in the GE column and does not apply to those in the support column.

F. Resolution on Professional Consultative Services Representation in the Academic Senate-DeMers, Chair of the Constitution & Bylaws Committee, first reading.

DeMers stated that there were approximately 75 people in PCS. The review that was done was necessary because of changes in job titles in the student affairs area. The review grants the PCS caucus the same number of Senators (5) as in the past. C. Andrews asked who the PCS people report to. The librarians report to the Vice-President for Academic Affairs and the
student affairs related personnel report to the Vice President for Student Affairs.

G. Resolution to Support the Academic Senate CSU Resolution on "CSU Policy on Non-Discrimination and ROTC Programs," first reading.

R. Gooden said that the resolution on page 19 has been passed by the Statewide Senate. C. Andrews asked Colonel S. Garrett about scholarships and why some students might be turned down for an ROTC scholarship. S. Garrett said that all junior and senior enrollees receive $100/month. Additionally, scholarships have been given to 25 students this year, but some years that number rises to around 40. There are many reasons stated as to why someone might not be eligible for a scholarship including such things as felony convictions and sexual preference. Moved to second reading. (Torres/Harris).

H. Curriculum Proposal for Master of Business Administration Program, Program Philosophy and Objectives—Bailey, Chair of the Curriculum Committee, first reading. Moved to second reading.

I. Resolution on Curriculum Committee Meetings—DeMers, Chair of the Constitution & Bylaws Committee.
C. Andrews reported that a change in wording recommended at the Executive Committee meeting was not made as intended. J. Murphy said that once the wording change is made, the item will reappear on the Consent Agenda.

VI. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.