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ACADEMIC SENATE

Minutes of the
ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Monday, September 11, 1989
UU 219, 1:00-2:30pm

Preparatory: This meeting was a postponement of the August, 1989 Summer Quarter meeting wherein the Executive Committee met as the full Senate. The meeting was called to order at 1:12pm.

I. Minutes: The minutes from the July 18, 1989 Executive Committee were approved without change.

II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s):

- A. Tim Kersten gave a brief summary of the three current legislative bills dealing with the Master Plan: (a) the Hayden bill was essentially rewritten to take faculty concerns into consideration. There are still problems with the bill and there is no prediction of what the final draft will look like, (b) the Neilson bill deals with the Mission Statement of the University, (c) the Hart bill essentially deals with the transfer function of students between and amongst colleges/universities.
- B. The Academic Senate Chair prepared a letter to the Chancellor regarding the parking issue; however, the letter is no longer appropriate since the CSU has made the payment of retroactive parking fees optional.
- C. Joe Weatherby announced a new position of State University Dean exists in the Chancellor's Office. The individual hired to this position will have the responsibility of coordinating the activities of the 19 CSU campuses, including international education activities. Anyone interested in the job description for this position should contact Joe (Political Science Department).

III. Reports:

- A. President's Office
- B. Vice President for Academic Affairs' Office
- C. Statewide senators: Reg Gooden gave a report on Executive Order (EO) 342 which deals with the challenges to general education and the requirements of EO 338. How do we address GE courses transferred from junior colleges? EO 342 seems unworkable in this respect (e.g., to date 117 changes have been made to the area of critical thinking).

Tim Kersten reported that the statewide Senate has endorsed the Traffic Congestion and Appropriations Relief Act of 1990. This bill will modify the Gann Amendment to raise the funding limit for higher education.

Joe Weatherby reported that the CSU will establish a foreign language requirement--third-year competency for graduation which must be met by taking an exam. This second language requirement may adversely impact our campus.

IV. Consent Agenda:

V. Business Item(s):

- A. Resolution on State Faculty Support Grants: Bob Lucas gave a history of this item. He stated that the guidelines have continually been upgraded with time. Safwat Moustafa gave a review of the changes. Discussion followed regarding the implementation of the process; this year's experience may fine tune the guidelines even further. M/S/P (Murphy, Dobb) to accept the guidelines. The resolution was adopted unanimously.

Safwat Moustafa requested that State Faculty Support Grants be added to the Research Committee's charges.

- B. Review of committee appointments for 1989-1990: M/S (Simmons/Murphy) that appointments to the Distinguished Teaching Awards Committee be reconsidered. The reason for this reconsideration was due to the double representation from SPSE (McBride and Ruggles). The motion was defeated 4-5.

As a result of this discussion, it was agreed that the Constitution & Bylaws Committee and the Distinguished Teaching Awards (DTA) Committee would look at the membership composition of the DTA Committee and make recommendations regarding its size (5 faculty members) and the probability of school duplication (due to the limited number of potential candidates).

Assigned time for committee chairs: Assigned time was distributed as follows: Academic Senate Chair, 27 WTU's; Academic Senate Secretary, 6 WTU's; Budget Committee chair, 9 WTU's; Curriculum Committee chair, 9 WTU's; GE&B Committee Chair, 6 WTU's; Personnel Policies Committee chair, 3 WTU's; and Research Committee chair, 3 WTU's.

- C. The Chair requested that the caucus chairs give attention to the vacancies listed on the agenda and try to fill those positions as soon as possible.

The Chair also suggested an ad hoc Ethics and Teaching Excellence Committee be formed to study matters currently at issue.

- VI. The discussion of Academic Senate goals and direction for 1989-1990 and beyond was postponed until the next Executive Committee meeting on September 19, 1989.
- VII. The meeting was adjourned at 2:31pm.