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San Luis Obispo, California 93407
ACADEMIC SENATE

Minutes of the
ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Tuesday, October 10, 1989
UU 220, 3:00-5:00pm

Preparatory: The meeting was called to order at 3:12pm.

I. Minutes:

The minutes from the September 19, 1989 Executive Committee were approved. T. Kersten questioned where his report was on the status of legislation regarding the Master Plan. This report was given at the September 11, 1989 Academic Senate Executive Committee meeting and recorded in the minutes of that date (approved September 19, 1989).

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

The chair introduced Terry Smith as the new caucus chair from the School of Agriculture.

Frank Lebens, Associate Vice President for Academic Resources, spoke on the lottery budget. During the past two to three years, the lottery process has been refined, and most of our concerns have been addressed. There are no glaring problems. However, concerns have been voiced by faculty and students as to (1) whether or not the programmatic categories within the Campus-Based Programs & University's Initiatives are responsive to the campus needs, (2) whether the mix of funds is realistic, and (3) if we should continue with the status quo.

Concerns within the Campus-Based Programs category are:

- (1) As a technically-based campus, we have an ongoing need for instructional equipment. The 20 percent maximum transfer of provision among programs does not allow adequate flexibility for the purchase of instructional equipment.
- (2) The existing funding methodology for the Educational Equity program does not adequately address our campus situation. As a result, we do not receive much funding. We need to address the funding methodology.
- (3) Comments from the faculty indicate that reporting requirements impose a burden on them. The reporting process needs to be simplified.

The Chair acknowledged receipt of correspondence from Bob Lucas entitled, "Development of Campus Policy on Misconduct of Scientific Research." There is a need to develop policy

on this matter by Jan 1, 1990 if we are to obtain and retain federal grants. Lucas requested a response by October 15, 1989. C. Andrews recommended the document be forwarded to the Personnel Policies Committee for review.

S. Lutrin announced that the ASI Board of Directors is looking for a faculty advisor. Interested parties should contact Ellen Sanders at ASI.

III. Reports:

A. President's Office

B. Vice President for Academic Affairs' Office

C. Statewide Senators:

T. Kersten stated that the Master Plan legislation is being monitored, and he gave a brief summary of AB1999. The bill requires consultation between the UC, CSU, and local government entities when significant change in the size of an institution necessitates growth. Because of the University of California's constitutional status, this bill will only affect the UC's if the Regents approve it.

J. Weatherby announced that applications are still being accepted by the search committee for the selection of a Dean of International Education.

D. J. Rogers, Chair of the Academic Senate Budget Committee, reported that the committee has 12 members: all but one faculty member is new and the administrative representatives have served before.

During the previous fall and winter quarters, the committee developed a Resource Requirement Form that accompanied requests for curriculum changes and course additions. The form was used to estimate the addition and deletion of faculty resources required by the proposed changes. Its accuracy, at this time, is not known, and the value and usefulness of the information has not been ascertained. Many schools and departments assume curriculum changes will occur without regard to the resource implications. These implications are significant to the Budget Committee.

OASIS is a significant user of resources, continually requiring more faculty positions.

Comments were made by the Chair and others present concerning the Resource Requirement Form. These comments supported the committee's work. Statements made indicated that the form was both appreciated and reviewed by several departments. The information supplied was valuable and worthwhile although it may take a little time to incorporate the form into the review process. The Budget Committee was encouraged to

continue its Resource Requirement review.

E. T. Bailey, Chair of the Academic Senate Curriculum Committee, gave a brief history of the committee's areas of responsibility. She stated that last year the members were new and there was little information on past activities to give direction. Despite this, the members worked well in representing their schools and performing their duties. The role of the committee, as stated in the Bylaws of the Academic Senate, is to provide recommendations concerning academic master planning and curriculum. She listed areas that the committee had identified as relevant to their role. They included:

1. Review of curriculum proposals: (a) this past year the committee reviewed and modified the prior committee's work on the curriculum review process, (b) issues surrounding the Liberal Studies program (tabled item) will be addressed so the program can be in place by September 1990 (deadline), (c) the committee is looking at technical and conceptual changes and innovations that might improve the curriculum.
2. Identifying and clarifying issues that concern curriculum; e.g., minors--the concept and purpose of which is unclear.
3. Providing an opportunity for the university community to interact productively in curriculum development.
4. Viewing the total curriculum in terms of its contributions to the quality of the entire university, not just to individual schools/departments.
5. Looking at the role of graduate programs.
6. Looking at the growth rate of departments.
7. Providing continuity to curriculum development.

P. Murphy stated that the set of principles developed by the committee for evaluating curriculum was very valuable to the Senate in its decision making. These principles should be passed on to the next committee.

F. P. Murphy, Chair of the Academic Senate Personnel Policies Committee, reported that The Personnel Policies Committee's role has been restricted since the new contract (MOU) went into effect. The main

responsibilities are (1) to see that campus policies are in accordance with the MOU, and (2) to address procedures that restrict personnel processes.

IV. Consent Agenda:

V. Business Item(s):

- A. Resolution on Policy and Procedures on Changes of Department Names. There were no objections to placing this item on the next Academic Senate agenda. Minor recommendations included adding "school caucus" after "...school council," in item 2 of the resolution.

The Chair requested that items C and D be next on the agenda. There were no objections.

- C. General Education & Breadth proposal for Aero 210: M/S/P (Gooden/P. Murphy) to place this resolution on the Consent Agenda for October 24, 1989, with an explanation of why this proposal is coming to the floor out of the normal cycle.
- D. General Education & Breadth proposals: There was no objection to placing HIST 319X, IT 401/301 and HE 433 on the Consent Agenda. The Executive Committee requested that an explanation accompany each item explaining the circumstances surrounding it and identifying why it was not part of the curriculum package.
- B. Resolution on Experimental Education: This item was referred back to the Curriculum Committee for review and recommendation. It is to return to the Executive Committee by January 1990.
- E. Vacancies: The Chair encouraged the caucus chairs to reach out to their school constituents in filling the remaining vacancies.

- The SPSE caucus met and endorsed Kathleen Ryan to the General Education & Breadth Area "E" Subcommittee. Her name will be submitted to the General Education & Breadth Committee for consideration.
- James Simmons will replace Donald Koberg on the Distinguished Teaching Awards Committee for this academic year. M/S/P (P. Murphy/Weatherby).

The following individuals were appointed to the following committees:

SPSE

Jerry Demers: Constitution and Bylaws
Sylvan Eldringhoff: Elections

Sonja Glassmeyer: Fairness Board
Dan Levi: General Education & Breadth
Patty Mulligan: Personnel Policies
Dennis Nulman: Long Range Planning

SBUS:

The SBUS caucus met and endorsed Joseph Biggs as their appointment to the Research Committee.
M/S/P (Boynton/Zeuschner).

VI. Discussion Item(s):

J. Borland asked (1) for the clarification on the status of using Multiple Criteria Admission (MCA) procedures for admitting students, and (2) whether the admission procedures is a right and privilege of the faculty. C. Andrews stated that there has been a change in what data is collected and used and that a committee was appointed last year to review the status of MCA. J. Weatherby suggested that the Academic Senate Chair research this matter.

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