MINUTES

Members Present: Darlene Yee-Melichar (San Francisco), John Tarjan (Bakersfield), Jacinta Amaral (Fresno), Vince Buck (Fullerton), Marvin Klein (Pomona), Ken Nishita (Monterey Bay), Jim Postma (Chico), Tapie Rohm (San Bernardino), Steven Stepanek (Northridge), Maria Viera (Long Beach)

Guests Present: Keith Boyum (CO), Chris Hanson (CO), Lorie Roth (CO), Patrick Lenz (Budget; CSU-Sac Office)

Guests Present for Patrick Lenz Teleconference: Fiscal & Governmental Affairs Committee, Barry Pasternack (Fullerton, Vice Chair, ASCSU), Hank Reichman (East Bay, At-Large Member, Executive Committee)

1. Chair Darlene Yee-Melichar called the meeting to order at 10:00 am, and reviewed the presentations that will be taking place during the committee meeting and the rest of the agenda.

2. The agenda was approved.

3. The minutes from the meeting of January 17, 2007 were approved with a minor change. Grateful appreciation was extended to John Tarjan for his outstanding work in recording these comprehensive and timely meeting minutes.

4. Chair’s report: Darlene Yee-Melichar
   a. The ASCSU newsletter has come out this month with a thoughtful tribute to Senator Paul Persons (Chico).
   b. The ASCSU has a formal response to the document entitled “On the Role of Scholarly Research and Creative Activities in the CSU.”
   c. The Access to Excellence system strategic planning and campus conversations are moving forward. Statewide senators are encouraged to participate in the systemwide issue summit on April 24-25 at the Fairmont Newport Beach.
   d. The revised template for proposing new CSU degree programs at the bachelor’s and master’s levels offered through self-support and state-support modes is moving forward (Coded Memo AA-2007-2). Thanks to Ken Nishita and Tapie Rohm for their help in reviewing and revising the template.
   e. Barry Pasternack sent us a report on the first meeting of the Task Force on Drops, Withdrawals, Incompletes, and Repeats (DWIR). The next meeting of the task force will take place via conference call on February 21.
   f. Faculty Trustee Craig Smith is revising his paper on Workload Re-allocation: A special report to CSU Senate Chairs.

5. Presentations
a. **Keith O. Boyum, Associate Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs**

i. The Provosts are developing a paper on the role of research and scholarly activity in the CSU.

   1. Research is important for teaching in advanced undergraduate and graduate programs.
   2. Ultimately there may be a request for more funds from the State to support research and scholarly activity.

ii. Remediation

   1. The Trustees’ goal of reducing remediation this fall to 10% of incoming freshman.
   2. Our standards for triggering remediation are quite high.
   3. The goal will not be met.
   4. The group is looking at best practices for moving students to proficiency via alternate methods of instruction, etc. rather than enrolling them in dedicated remedial courses. This will be on the agenda of the next meeting.
   5. This will also be discussed at the Executive Council and next Board meeting. Trustee Carter is very interested in this issue.

iii. Access to Excellence

   1. There is a request to form campus delegations to a systemwide issue summit on April 24-25 near John Wayne Airport.
   2. The CO is working hard on the agenda for the systemwide issue summit.
   3. A staff member and trustee are attending all of the campus conversations.

iv. Voluntary System of Accountability

   1. There is a presidents’ task force, including EVS Gary Reichard, and chaired by President John Welty (Fresno).
   2. This is a priority of the Chancellor.
   3. Implementation of the CLA will be an initial thrust.
      a. We will have good comparison data with similar campuses.
   4. The National Survey of Student Engagement will be another measure likely to be used.
   5. We will also likely be using an Information Competency test jointly developed by the CSU (Lori Roth) and ETS.
   6. Perhaps we can discuss a faculty role in the process with the Executive Committee.

v. Task Forces on:

   1. Textbooks
      a. The group will meet for the first time this month.
      b. The group includes students.
   2. Drops/Withdrawals/Incompletes/Repeats
      a. The committee is staffed by Lori Roth.
      b. In the initial meeting an overview of policies and how they can help students in some type of academic trouble was undertaken.
      c. Policies may not be policed/implemented very well on the campuses.
      d. Data is sketchy.
   3. Consideration of special fee for MBA programs
      a. The group is inclined to make a positive recommendation for fees.
      b. 22% of students in programs in the CSU qualify for financial aid.

vi. A consultant will be hired to examine our potential to offer a professional doctorate in nursing. We will be looking at physical therapy doctorates also. The Provosts will be asked if we should look beyond these areas.
vii. Funding for Nursing programs—this is a continuing battle. There was no additional funding in the Governor’s budget proposal.
viii. GE Alignment Task Force—the CO representative will be Keith Boyum.

b. **Collegiate Learning Assessment (CLA): Lorie Roth (Academic Programs)**
   i. Dr. Roth shared a flow chart representing how the CSU became involved in the voluntary system of accountability (VSA).
   ii. 7 campuses already have used the CLA. Dr. Roth has collected information on their experiences.
   iii. The CLA measures learning, skills and capabilities. It is intended for use as students enroll as freshman and as they graduate.
   iv. Several comments from the committee dealt with the appropriate/inappropriate uses of the data, in particular, for comparisons across dissimilar campuses.
   v. A helpful handout with sample printouts was shared with the group.

c. **CSU Budget and Alternatives to FTES Based Budgeting: Patrick Lenz (Budget)**
   i. There are many challenges in the upcoming State budget.
      1. pending law suits dealing with prisoner health care, etc.
      2. optimistic projections of revenue, including Indian gaming
      3. structural deficit
      4. optimistic projections of spending
   ii. The system actually chose not to grow a couple of years ago due to a shortage of funding. A direct result was a policy of taking back money if targets are not met but not putting more money in if targets were exceeded.
   iii. Some unfairness in marginal cost allotments are acknowledged.
   iv. Current increases in revenues are directly tied to growth.
   v. The small campus/off-campus center funding issue is on the radar screen and the staff in Sacramento is working on potential solutions.
   vi. Highlighting some of the achievements of the CSU may be a way to get a reception for increased funding.

6. **Liaison reports**
   a. Academic Technology Advisory Committee (ATAC): Tapie Rohm
      i. The committee is looking at the use of technology in education. The next meeting will be on February 22.
      ii. A question was raised on intellectual property. It appears there are no system policies. This issue needs more research. Perhaps it can be referred to the Executive Committee.
   b. MBA Ad Hoc Task Force: Tapie Rohm
      i. They have looked at surcharges for professional degrees, beginning with the MBA. The UC already does this.
   c. Admission Advisory Council (AAC): Rochelle Kellner
      i. Solicited our input on the lab science requirement via e-mail prior to the next meeting. The committee consensus was to stand by our resolution endorsing alignment with the UC requirement.
   d. CSU EdD Faculty Consultation Group: Darlene Yee-Melichar
      i. Indicated that the group met yesterday afternoon/evening. There was a review of the proposal review process to this point and an effort to identify lessons learned.
      ii. Indicated that the group will contribute to system-level review of campus approved proposals instead of reviewing preliminary draft proposals. There will be an effort to
solicit the feedback and assistance from faculty that have already been involved in campus proposals (1st wave authors) for future reviews.

iii. There have been 7 proposals to date.
iv. Each has been reviewed by a faculty group.
v. WASC has had a number of concerns common to most proposals.
   1. Doctoral culture
   2. Faculty resources
vi. There is confidence that with collaboration across campuses and staff support that all proposals will be approved.
vii. Community partnerships are key aspect of the proposals. Library resources are another important issue.
viii. The format of the proposal was discussed. It would be useful to align CSU and WASC proposal guidelines; include relevant WASC criteria; and identify CPEC review criteria.
ix. There was a suggestion to have a reviewer training workshop prior to the next round of reviews.

e. General Education Advisory Committee: John Tarjan, Jim Postma, Maria Viera
   i. The next meeting will be April 12.
   ii. Jim Wheeler has been appointed to a joint UC-CSU-CCC task force on potential GE alignment. John Tarjan will chair the task force.
f. Intersegmental Major Preparation Articulated Curriculum: John Tarjan
   i. A final debriefing meeting was held with faculty leads and others in Sacramento on January 26.
   ii. Funding has not been continued—it is opposed by the CCCCCO.
   iii. There is still a need to have intersegmental and interdisciplinary discussions to facilitate curricular efforts (LDTP, C-ID, streamlining majors, etc.). There is also a need for assistance to get discipline groups together even within systems.
   iv. LDTP, SciGETC, C-ID, and streamlining majors were discussed at length.
g. UC-CSU Joint Graduate Board: Darlene Yee-Melichar
   i. There was a conference call. The only agenda item was a joint UCSF and CSU, Fresno for a joint doctorate in physical therapy. Licensure is moving to the doctorate level as are the fields of nursing, audiology, etc.

7. Items of business
   a. GE Courses and On-Line Education.
      i. The issue is broader than GE. It applies to LDTP course reviews as well.
      ii. John and Darlene drafted a proposal to address the technology mediation issue in course reviews.
      iii. The committee has agreed to move forward with the proposal. Darlene will take it to the Executive Committee.
b. Accessible Technology Initiative (ATI).
   i. Tapie has drafted a resolution which addresses ATI concerns.
   ii. This is intended to be placed on the March plenary agenda as a first reading item.
   iii. There was a discussion about the directive nature of the draft resolution and the specificity of the recommendations.
   iv. Several resolved clauses were deleted.
c. “The Place of Graduate Education in the CSU,” developed by the Academic Council (provosts).
   i. Myron, Maria and Marv have drafted a resolution which addresses graduate education concerns.
   ii. There was very little committee input on the draft of this document.
iii. Myron Hood, Marvin Klein, Maria Viera and Darlene Yee will help refine the proposed resolution as suggested by Executive Committee.
iv. There was concern expressed about the lack of opportunity to have input to this document earlier in the process as opposed to just reacting to a completed document.
d. Revised resolution on Support for Carnegie’s New Elective Community Engagement Classification
   i. Chair Yee made modifications to the resolution based on helpful comments from the last plenary session.
   ii. Minor additional changes were suggested.
e. Revised resolution on Support for Professional Science Master’s (PSM) Degree Programs
   i. There were concerns expressed prior to the meeting about the process for initiating these degrees on campuses.
   ii. A resolved clause was added to encourage campuses to follow existing curriculum review and approval processes.
   iii. There may be some problems with communications: announcement of degrees yet degrees that are not yet being offered. There may be a “cart before the horse” problem.
   iv. Some language changes were proposed.
f. “Rules of the Game: How State Policy Creates Barriers to Degree Completion and Impedes Student Success in the California Community Colleges” by Institute for Higher Education Leadership & Policy—deferred to next meeting.
g. Review and discuss AB 178 (Coto): High schools: curriculum and enrollment: College Readiness and Equity Program—deferred to next meeting.
   i. Chair Yee will consult with Allison Jones and FGA regarding a potential resolution in support of AB 178. Jacinta Amaral will help to work on this resolution.
h. Chair Yee will consult with the Executive Committee relative to a potential resolution on early involvement of faculty on curricular and academic issues.
   i. The “Troops to College” initiative will be on our next meeting agenda.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 3:15pm.