Academic Affairs Committee

MINUTES

Friday, February 20, 2009

Members Present: Caroline Bordinaro (Dominguez Hills); Andrea Boyle (San Francisco); Vince Buck (Fullerton) Jim LoCasio (San Luis Obispo); J. Ken Nishita (Monterey Bay); Jim Postma, Chair (Chico);

Teleconference Attendees: Edward Aguado (San Diego); C.E. Tapie Rohm (San Bernardino).

Guests Present: Christine Hanson, (State Academic Dean); Jeri Echeverria, (Associate Vice-Chancellor, Academic Affairs); Darlene Yee-Melichar (EXCOM Liaison)

1. Welcome and Call to Order: Jim Postma (Chair) called the committee to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda: Agenda approved by all committee members with the following changes:
   A. Discussion of CLA (Caroline Bordinaro)
   B. GE
      1. Committee has questions on international baccalaureate degrees
      2. Resolution needed for 3/09 meeting
   C. APEP coming at 1PM to discuss task force
   D. Introductions to Jeri Echeverria
   E. Joint Task Force on Transfers

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes: Meeting minutes from the January, 2009 meeting were unanimously approved.

4. Chair’s Report: Jim Postma presented the chair’s report, noting:
   A. There will be a regularly scheduled 3 day Senate meeting on March 18-20, 2009.
   B. Executive Vice-Chancellor (EVC) Gary Reichard will be retiring in 7/09.
   C. ASCSU will have 2 representatives on the search committee for EVC Reichard.
   D. Report from Paul O’Brian explaining his absences at prior meetings.

5. Administrative Reports:
   5.1 Christine Hanson reported on the following items:
   A. DNP Legislation
      1. The argument for the DNP legislation re-introduced by the CSU is to address the need for nursing educators in both the CSU and CC systems
2. Discussion on how to educate students in a CSU DNP Program- education and research would be included in the CSU DNP Program

3. UC support for the proposed legislation has decreased but UC is still working with the CSU on this proposed legislation

4. A White Paper on the DNP was introduced and presented to AA members

5. Jeri Echeverria reported that she has been in conversations regarding the DNP legislation

6. The White Paper prepared by Christine Hanson will be submitted to FGA for review at today’s meeting

7. Jim Postma raised the question of funding for DNP Programs through work with hospitals and other health agencies

B. Campus academic plans have been received and are fewer in number than last year

C. The Board of Trustees has approved all CSU Honorary Doctorates this year

D. The CSU application booklet may be fully electronic in 2009

E. Questions from Jim LoCasio about funding discussions were discussed among committee members

5.2 Darlene Yee-Melichar, EXCOM Liaison reported on the following:

A. APEP may draft resolutions on CSU involvement with Career Technical Education (CTE) course review and the new joint task force including UC, CSU, and CCC on improving transfers; AA may want to co-sponsor these resolutions.

B. FA is discussing transforming course design and the report of the joint task force on patent and technology transfer.

C. Executive Vice-Chancellor Reichard indicated that UC will stay silent on the CSU independent DNP legislative efforts.

D. John Tarjan (current chair) and Barry Pasternack (immediate past chair) will serve as the ASCSU faculty representatives on the Executive Vice-Chancellor Search Committee

E. Executive Vice-Chancellor Reichard discussed cross-campus on-line programs, special sessions, and YRO.

F. Refer to the ASCSU Resolutions Summary as a reference for campus reports.

6. Liaison Reports:

6.1 Academic Technology Advisory Committee (ATAC): The report from this committee is available and Jeri Echeverriera notes that it is ok to send this to faculty

A. Questions from Jim Postma- can students take both CEL and general fund courses at the same time? Chris Hanson will check on this. Keith Boyum’s report says “no” to this in one section of the report and “yes” in another section of the same report.

B. Jim Postma questioned Tapie Rohem about the market for enlarging enrollment?

C. Tapie Rohem questioned the current policies and asked if students can go on-line to take courses at other CSUs if they are unable to take the classes at their resident campus.
D. Keith Boyum has been charged with re-doing the policy. The question from the AS side of things is how to keep control of curricula and instructional quality in on-line classes.

E. Jim Postma noted that we need to make sure that there is adequate faculty consultation regarding these issues. Also noted, Title 5 ensures that campus presidents are the absolute authority on accepting transfer courses.

6. 2 California Academic Partnership Program (CAPP): No AA member is on this committee at the present time.

6. 3 Chancellor’s Doctoral Incentive Policy Advisory Committee: Vince Buck
No report- there is a meeting scheduled soon that Vince can’t attend and he has contacted John Tarjan for a replacement.

6.4 CSU Ed.D Advisory Committee: Tapie Rohm, Jim Postma
No meeting held since December.

6.5 Disabilities Advisory Committee: Ken Nishita
No meeting is scheduled until April, 2009.

6.6 English Council: No AA member is on this committee at the present time.

6.7 Committee on the Extended University: Tapie Rohm
Tapie Rohm indicated there is nothing to report.

6.8 General Education Advisory Committee: Caroline Bordinaro and Jim Postma reported on the following:
A. Acceptance of International Baccalaureate Courses for GE was discussed.
B. Compass Project update was presented.
C. Military courses that can be transferred were a big discussion item at the meeting as was Area E.
D. EO1036- Acceptance of Area E depends on the service branch and when the service was performed.
E. More questions were raised but the CSU will use the MD University College as a way to connect into our requirement and train staff in MD to determine the GE requirements to be accepted from the military with the goal to make this a smooth process.
F. Ken Nishita noted that at CSU Monterey Bay the military PE requirement is good for 1 unit and medics could receive credit for the health requirements. He also noted that the math requirements were easy as were the English requirements but that the science requirements were difficult for military members to complete. Jim Postma noted that most campuses have criteria for evaluation of Area E- the CSU system wants to go to standardization for the military to encourage enrollment.
G. A lengthy discussion was held regarding CE GE courses being transferred to the CSU.
H. Roadmaps were discussed and this was referred to APEP.
I. Another issue discussed focused on whether sample textbooks can be on-line and whether the community colleges can submit the names of electronic resources in their proposals. Resources submitted by the community colleges must be reviewed by the CSU reviewers.

6.9 Institute for Teaching and Learning - Paul O’Brien
The next meeting is scheduled for February, 2009 and will be attended by Paul O’Brien.

6.10 International Programs: Beth Hartung was informed of the discussion held in 1/09.

6.11 Library Directors, Council of (COLD):
   A. Caroline Bordinaro provided information from her Dean’s report regarding the virtual library task force that has been formed. The information included the following:
      1. Each campus has a core library collection.
      2. The proposed program hopes to achieve system-wide areas but is still being discussed.
      3. Digital collection guidelines are being developed.
      4. The task force will work for 6 months and surveys will be sent out to all campuses.
      5. Cost is a huge issue and it was noted that Chico has a good model for this.
      6. Jeri Echeverria that cost considerations will continue and no implementation is seen at this time.

6.12 Student Health Services Advisory Committee: Andrea Boyle
Andrea Boyle will provide information from the meeting minutes when available in March, 2009.

6.13 Sustainability Advisory Subcommittee Education and Research: James LoCasio, Paul O’Brien
Conferences at UCSB will be held from 6/21-24/2009.

6.14 Other- No news to report

7. Old Business:

7.1 Voting Membership for International Program Coordinators on ACIP
   A. Informal approval from AA members for this resolution.

7.2 The Right of the Faculty to Have a Vote of No Confidence
   A. Paul O’Brien questions “right” and suggests a move to “respect” in the title of the resolution.
   B. This resolution will be co-sponsored with FA.
   C. Caroline Bordinaro will provide re-wording to address the question of whether department chairs should be included in the resolved clause.
   D. AA members recommended that the resolution should be sent out to the BOT, Chancellor, and campus presidents.
E. Vince Buck will re-work the rationale section prior to the 3/09 meeting.

7.3 Keeping Recognition for Faculty Creators and/or Founders for Centers and Institutes developed within the CSU system.

AA members had a discussion regarding this resolution and voted to withdraw the resolution.

7.4 Faculty support for Energy Conservation

A. AA members discussed this resolution which will be co-sponsored with FGA

B. Paul O’Brien will work with FGA on the resolution

7.5 Other

A. Meeting with members of APEP (Harold Goldwhite, Cecile Bernard, Jim Wheeler, Christine Miller, Jacinta Amaral, Kathy Kaiser, Steven Stepanak) and Associate Vice-chancellor Jeri Echeverria

B. Jeri Echeverria reported from the 3-system task force looking at transfers noting:

1. UC’s goal is to increase transfers from the community colleges

2. Next steps-

   a. collect documents on LDTP (the CSU has many transfer documents)

   b. work plan and plans for task-force in the future to include 15 person group with the goal to improve transfer

3. LDTP

   a. review process is in place (not matured yet) and a descriptor phase conducted early

   b. the goal is quality courses that reflect the work needed in both programs

4. Next meeting is in mid-March

5. The question was raised as to whether a resolution should be written at this time. Jeri Echeverria suggested that a resolution not be written at this time

6. There is a CSU/CC committee to discuss transfers but this group has not met recently

8. New Items of Business:

8.1 Doctorate of Nursing Practice (DNP) Resolution

A. Andrea Boyle and Christine Hanson met with members of FGA who will co-sponsor the resolution in 3/09. The White Paper written by Christine Hanson was distributed to FGA members and a discussion of the DNP resolution with FGA members generated suggestions for the second draft of the resolution

B. Members of FGA suggested asking for a waiver at the March plenary session; if the DNP Resolution is approved by members of the ASCSU, members of the FGA will then be able to discuss the resolution during their planned trip to Sacramento in 4/09

C. Andrea will collect additional emailed suggestions from members of AA and FGA and submit a second draft of the resolution prior to the 3/09 meetings
8.2 CSU Dominguez Hills-Academic Senate Sense of the Senate Resolution on the Reorganization of the Colleges of Health and Human Services and the College of Education
A. Caroline Bordinaro presented the resolution to AA members with a discussion of the resolution
B. There is no policy in place requesting faculty involvement in all matters of campus reorganization
C. A discussion of “next-steps” was held and the suggestion was made to consider a co-sponsored resolution with FA encouraging faculty consultation
D. Caroline Bordinaro and Paul O’Brien will work on this resolution and will present this at the next AA meeting

8.3 Community College Articulation and Transfer
A. Task force is in place to explore this issue
B. Jim Postma will draft a resolution on this issue

8.4 Drops, Withdrawals, Incompletes, and Repeats: EO 1037 Implementation
A. Jim Postma has asked for feedback regarding EO1037 Implementation but there is no feedback at this time
B. The CSU is giving campuses time to implement this policy

8.5 Joint Sponsorship of Resolutions
A. AA members were asked to check on this individually

8.6 Recent Executive Orders in AA’s Areas of Responsibility
A. CLA/VSA task force met this week and the pros/cons of each test discussed (N=3)
B. CLA test questions much more interesting and the CLA was viewed also to be the best of the 3 available tests with the task force recommending that an external resource person come in to discuss academic assessment and make recommendations for the use of each of the 3 tests
C. Resolutions coming in from Chico and Fullerton regarding problems with the CLA
D. The next task force meeting is scheduled for 3/17

8.7 Other
A. Jim Postma will bring information on the International Baccalaureate to the next AA meeting

9 Other- No other items for discussion at this time

10. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by Chair Postma at 3:20 PM.

Meeting minutes submitted by: Andrea Boyle