Academic Affairs Committee

Friday, November 5, 2009
10:00 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.

Anacapa Room

MINUTES

Members Present:

Jim Postma, Chair (Chico)
Andrea Boyle, Vice Chair (San Francisco)
Margaret Costa (Long Beach)
Steven Filling (Stanislaus)
Susan Gubernat (East Bay)
Patricia Kalayjian (Dominguez Hills)
Jim LoCasio (San Luis Obispo)
J. Ken Nishita (Monterey Bay)
Paul O’Brien (Stanislaus)
Mark Van Selst (San Jose)
C.E. Tapie Rohm (San Bernardino)

Guests:

Diana Guerin (ASCSU Executive Committee)
Leo Van Cleve (Academic Affairs)
Bob Buckley (APEP)
Robert McNamara (FA)

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 order may be changed to reflect upcoming discussion of resolutions and approved by all committee members.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes: Meeting minutes from the October 16, 2009 meeting were unanimously approved with corrections sent by S. Gubernat.

4. Chair’s Report: Jim Postma noted the following:
   a) Executive Committee representative will be here at 11:00 a.m. today to discuss the fact that we do not have a faculty trustee named at this time.
   b) Release time notifications have gone forward at this time
   c) Campuses have also received half of the Senate Travel funds
   d) Senate budget will support our activities with one teleconference only for the remainder of the year. Changes to teleconference meeting days should be considered.
   e) Several items are overlapping with other committees and AA may want to co-sponsor these
resolutions. The resolutions will be discussed throughout the day.

f) The ICAS charge has not been updated to reflect the need to support doctoral programs in the CSU.

g) Issues regarding unanticipated consequences of course repeat policy (EO1037) can be discussed at either today’s meeting or in December.

5. Administrative Reports:

a) Christine Hanson (represented by Leo Van Cleve) Leo reported on the following:
   1. Chris Hanson has changed her last name to Mallon.
   2. Update on implementation of AB 1285 which will be reported to the LAO in March 2010 and this was discussed by the committee (see attachments.)
   3. Honorary Degrees- Alumni are asked to self-identify but the CSU is working with the Japanese Community Center to identify interested individuals. The CSU will participate in events on 11/12 and 11/13. Honorary Degree requests will go to campus presidents (using Board of Trustees guidelines) on 11/9 and faculty participation is encouraged. A new website (http://www.calstate.edu/honorarydegrees/).
   4. Compass meeting was held this week.
   5. Extended Ed Dean search continues and candidates will meet with the search committee next week. (Leo is the chair of the committee.) Leo hopes that early in the coming year, a new dean will be on board.
   6. Any work needed from the commission on extended learning? As of now, no work is needed from the committee.

b) Diana Guerin asked for commentary from AA members to take back to Executive Committee.
   1. Jim LoCascio raised questions about the oil tax to support education in California (AB656) and Diana noted that Chancellor Reed was clear that the CSU will not take a position on this bill and gave no reasons for support of the bill at this time. This was further supported by Karen in Sacramento. Diana will ask FGA to take a look at this legislation and monitor this legislation.
   2. Mark asked for clarification regarding the development of a White Paper and whether this should come from CSU or other groups.
   3. EXEC is writing a resolution to change the way in which Faculty Trustees work (2 members, 1 in training and 1 voting) and is also addressing the issue whether the Board of Trustees should send a letter to Sacramento to have a trustee appointed as soon as possible.
   4. EXEC was also asked to consider assigned time for senators working in the quarter system.

6. Liaison Reports:

6.1 Academic Technology Advisory Committee (ATAC): Steven Filling & Tapie Rohm- No report/no news.

6.2 California Academic Partnership Program (CAPP): No report.

6.3 Chancellor’s Doctoral Incentive Policy Advisory Committee: No report.
6.4  **CSU Ed.D Advisory Committee:** Tapie Rohm & Jim Postma: No report/no news.

6.5  **Disabilities Advisory Committee:** Ken Nishita - No report. The committee meets next Friday.

6.6  **English Council:** Susan Gubernat- Written report provided to committee.

The English Council has developed a draft proposal to the Early Start Task Force including the following: (1) discontinue the EPT; (2) replace EPT with student directed self-placement or a placement tool; (3) tool should be designed by English Council members to recognize that Early Start should be faculty driven and supported; and (4) funding for campuses to pilot study and evaluate programs to judge the efficacy of these programs (reflects the fact that there is no data to support Early Start). Jim Lo Casio asked if there are Early Start programs on other campuses or in other systems as known to date. Jim Postma noted that the math component of EAP/ELM have been in place and serve to test HS juniors math readiness for college. Data supports the benefits of remediation or early testing in the CSU for under-represented groups but remediation is not the business of the CSU (as noted by current policies). The CSU is charged with taking the upper 1/3 of high school graduates and many of these folks need remediation. Current efforts are underway to make remediation transferrable throughout the CSU. ELM is designed as a discrimination test (are you ready for college math) and adjusted yearly to make sure benchmarks are met. EPT is not designed as such a test but both serve as pre-cursers for Early Start.

6.7  **Committee on the Extended University:** No report/no news Paul asked about EO 881- functions as a policy advisory group to the Chancellor. Tapie discussed EO 802 and Paul notes that there is encouragement to offer courses through CEL on his campus.

6.8  **General Education Advisory Committee:** Mark Van Selst, Margaret Costa, Patricia Kalayjian, & Jim Postma - GEAC is a large group and now there is a small group working with the English Council for clarification on IB issues. The following items were discussed: (1) Request sent to EXCOM for clarification on CSU definition of academic credit- this is for clarification purposes; (2) Request for GEAC to have member representation to look at Baccalaureate Credit; (3) LEAP outcomes were a late addition to the discussion and the relationship was discussed between GEAC, GE affinity groups, and the Compass Project; (4) EO 1036 was discussed with the question about catalogue rights and GE courses; (5) CLEP will look at the need for system policies here; (6) CSU faculty will look at symbolic logic as a requirement for humanities courses and (7) transfer issues and GE were proposed as content to be discussed within a CSU White Paper.

6.9  **Institute for Teaching and Learning** -Paul O’Brien - Report from a meeting held this morning. Grant program funding for class size changes and development money may be available to campuses. Jerry Hanley will come to their next meeting to report on issues related to e-books but this will not serve as a legislative mandate for the CSU; Paul will report back to AA on this. Additionally, Paul notes that there was a discussion about closing the achievement gap in the CSU and this will be brought to AA in the future.

6.10 **International Programs:** No AA committee member present in this group but Leo noted (regarding last year's resolution) that the ACIP is streamlining their agenda and do not have
any new initiatives. The request for changes in Title 5 will go to the Board of Trustees in November for approval.

6.11 Library Directors, Council of (COLD): No member on the committee.

6.12 Student Health Services Advisory Committee: Andrea Boyle- No report/no news.

6.13 Sustainability Advisory Subcommittee Education and Research: James LoCascio, Paul O’Brien- No report/no news

6.14 Other- No news to report.

7. Old Business

7.1 AS 2913-09AA/FA Teaching and Service Responsibilities in Times of Budget Constraints: Resolution and rationale were discussed by AA members. Resolved 4 was reviewed and discussed; the recommendation was made to add expectations for teaching, etc. to Resolved 4. Deletion of the final sentence in the rationale was agreed upon. Robert McNamara spoke to AA members. In the 5th resolve "Add postponing review of pilot programs presented to AA for inclusion" was presented to AA members for consideration. AA members did not support this change. In the 1st resolved clause, one change was made- acknowledge, not acknowledges was proposed and accepted. Robert will speak to the FA chair who will speak to Jim Postma.

7.2 Defining Baccalaureate Credit - Update: Jim requested from two(2) CCC reps to join two(2) AA members in a task force. This is currently in process.

7.3 Early Start Programs (Last Year’s Resolution): APEP will take the lead on this resolution and AA will speak to this resolution during the plenary session. Bob Buckley attended the AA meeting to provide information on Early Start Programs, reporting on his work on the Early Start Task Force. Deletion of the 4th resolved clause was recommended. Bob Buckley noted that the task force efforts should be re-focused toward summer programs. The resolution will come from APEP and is designed to serve to inform the Early Start Task Force about issues and need for faculty support in this process. The resolution will be re-titled and will appear on the plenary agenda in first reading.

7.4 Electronic/Affordable Textbooks: No resolution will go forward from AA at this time.

7.5 Program Discontinuance Resolution: The resolution and the rationale sections were discussed. AA members approved the resolution that will go to the Senate plenary on November 6, 2009.

7.6 Course Hero - faculty and copyright issues: This has been discussed with Executive Vice Chancellor Echevierria. No further action on this at today’s meeting until Jeri sends out a letter to faculty addressing CourseHero and until we get further input from the CSU legal department.

7.7 ICAS Draft Statement on Math Competency: AA members reviewed and approved this resolution to go forward to the Senate plenary with the addition of the URL for the report
cited in the resolution.

7.8 Enrollment Limitations/Super Seniors: Discussion of the draft resolution from AA members starting with the title of the resolution and the content of the resolution. The title changed to: “Shared Governance in Enrollment Management and Facilitating Graduation for High Unit Students.” Attachment is dropped, Resolved 2 includes the limit of education to individuals, and “the effectiveness” changed in early resolution. AA members voted to send this item to the plenary tomorrow in first reading.

7.9 Social - AA committee members will work with Patricia to prepare and clean up for the AA sponsored social this evening.

7.10 Other- No items for discussion.

8. New Items of Business:

8.1 Elluminate Live!: AA committee members are unclear about this item. Discussion on the item is postponed until the December AA meeting.

8.2 Post-Graduation Grade Changes: AA members discussed this item, including penalties for students who have graduated from the CSU. This item will be discussed again at the December meeting.

8.3 Other - No additional items were presented for discussion

9. Other: Jim notes that we will meet again by teleconference at the December AA meeting.

10. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned by Chair Postma at 2:35 p.m.

Meeting minutes submitted by: Andrea Boyle