Academic Senate Executive Committee
September 14 - 15, 2006
Minutes

Attendees:
Marshall Cates, Bernadette Cheyne, Jacquelyn Kegley, Mark O’Shea, Paul Persons, Barry Pasternack, Marshelle Thobaben, Hank Reichman, Darlene Yee-Melichar

Visitors:
Ann Peacock, ASCSU Executive Director, Gary Reichard, Executive Vice Chancellor, Craig Smith, Faculty Trustee, Keith Boyum, Associate Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs

Executive Committee and Standing Committee Chairs
Committee Reports

Mark O’Shea, Chair TEKR, reported that they will undertake a strategic planning session. Items currently up for discussion are: enrollment patterns, A-G requirements, professional development part of EAP, deans of Ed-working with the committee, interest in grades earlier than high school, and the math science initiative.

Darlene Yee-Melichar, Chair, Academic Affairs, stated they would have a resolution for which they will seek a first reading waiver. The committee is working on an update of The California State University at the Beginning of the 21st Century report and will review data from the CPEC report. They will be looking at model standards for A-G courses, impaction issues, and issues around upper vs. lower division course. Additionally, IGETC and the community college’s, C-ID are also up for discussion.

Bernadette Cheyne, Chair, Faculty Affairs, reported that FA will be co-sponsoring a resolution with FGA during this plenary: Review and Transparent Disclosure of CSU Executive Compensation and will seek a first reading waiver.

FA plans to prioritize their issues which include: pursue more aggressive implementation of ACR 73, which relates to the percentage of permanent faculty and student-faculty ratios in the CSU; explore initiatives to foster faculty leadership/governance; and investigate faculty rights and current policies/laws related to the audio and videotaping of class sessions.

Jacquelyn Kegley, Chair, Fiscal and Governmental Affairs, stated that FGA will have a resolution this session and will seek a first reading waiver. They are also looking at the library needs for the independent doctorate.
The agenda was approved

The minutes of August 18 were approved

Executive Vice Chancellor Reichard stated that the Academic Council continues to work on substantive issues such as: the White Paper on Graduate Education; International Education; the CSU mission and faculty role in research; the assessment of Baccalaureate outcomes with a first discussion of a possible widening of use of nationally-normed assessment measures, including CLA (“value-added” approach); academic transformation, involving technology. ATAC will play a substantive advisory role in this last issue. Reichard announced that the second wave of Ed.D programs would involve four campuses instead of the previous six. SJSU and CSULA have asked to delay until the next round.

A letter to campus senate chairs for the selection of the non-exec committee members of the post cornerstones planning meeting was discussed with Executive Vice Chancellor Reichard. The Executive Committee will ask for submissions and backgrounds to be submitted electronically so that the Committee can select five names to submit to the Chancellor. The chancellor will select three to appoint.

Liaison Reports

ATAC (Marshelle)
At the last meeting the committee considered the CSU President’s Report on Academic Transformation with Technology. They also discussed issues related to on-line courses.

CFA (Reichman)
CSU presented a new counter to the last CFA offer on salary. The initial review of the offer suggested possible movement in positions, so there has been a resumption of bargaining. Both sides have agreed to extend the contract to end of September. It may be extended further.

CSSA
Pasternack will represent us at the next meeting, at CSU Fullerton.

GE
IGETC is being considered especially in light of current legislative proposals and its role in the LDTP process.

Graduation Initiative
Multiple team campus visits have taken place. Many best practices will be presented at the up coming conference.

ICC/ICAS
A proposal to involve all three systems in the Community College’s C-ID project was put forth. The Executive Committee sought advice from the LDTP advisory committee and from the Academic Affairs Committee on how to proceed. We have decided to send two members of from the Executive Committee (Cates, Pasternack) to a scope and planning meeting where we will explore possible involvement of the ASCSU. We expect that a plan for future involvement, or not, will be the outcome of this meeting.

LDTP (Cates)
There are only a few loss ends in terms of degree requirements for the LDTP, which are being pursued. Course descriptions are reasonably in place with the exception of Biology, Physics and History. There is a planned completion date for Biology, but not yet for Physics or History. Several courses out for review have stalled and will need a push. The effort at this time however is in establishing faculty review teams for courses that have already been submitted by the CCs. 270 course have been submitted so far. After hearing the comments from the Executive Committee on compensation, the LDTP Advisory Committee asked for increased compensation for faculty reviewers.

Faculty compensation for LDTP course reviews was discussed. We agreed on a compensation of $1500 for the lead reviewer-coordinator and $1000 for the other reviewers; however, this will be for more reviews than the original 100 contemplated. Associate Vice Chancellor Boyum will work out a proposal based on this new understanding. It will also be desirable to make some of the payments right after the training sessions in October.

Faculty Trustee (Craig Smith)
Smith visited Fresno to look at its ED.D model, which he feels is an excellent program. Smith also visited Stanislaus and commented that the Provost is new and there are many interim deans. He met with the Executive Committee and talked through a lot of issues. Faculty Trustee Smith has now been to all of the campuses. Bargaining is a big issue on campuses. Campuses have handled workload reduction in many different ways. Maybe we should have a”best practices” discussion.

Barry Pasternack called for task force to explore solutions to faculty housing. Past resolutions have been made. Gary Reichard asked that we resubmit the proposal to him. Many campuses are involved.

**Orientation for new senators**
The Executive Committee, along with the standing chairs and some of the vice chairs, provided an orientation session for the new senators.

**Conference update**
The logistics of the October meeting at LAX were discussed. Members of the Executive Committee and the chairs/vice chairs of the standing committees volunteered to be session leaders at the upcoming conference.

**November plenary: guests**
We will not invite additional guests at the meeting since we have only the two days. The first day (Wednesday) will be for committee meetings and Thursday (8:00 am-5:00 pm) will be a one-day Plenary.

**Sustainability Advisory Board update**
A follow up conference call was to be scheduled. It has not yet taken place. Paul Persons will check into it.

**Naming of an Academic Entity – CSU Northridge**
Our role is to make sure that the process has been followed. It appears that is has been followed.
Campus Senate chair meetings
Barry will preside at the next meeting of the Executive Committee with the Senate Chairs. We plan to use a modified version of the orientation power point to inform the chairs on how ASCSU functions.

Newsletter
Meet the administrator-faculty portion of the newsletter will be replaced with a more in-dept look at issues such as: LDTP, Cornerstones, Facilitating Graduation, C-ID etc. LDTP will be featured in the first issue.