Members: Cheyne, Foroohar, Goldwhite, Guerin, McNamara, Reagan, Sabalius, Vanterpool, Van Selst
Guests: Lori Roth, Caroline Bordinaro, Jackie McClain

1. Approval of agenda
   The meeting was called to order at 10:16. M/S/P: Goldwhite/McNamara to approve agenda as amended.

2. Approval of minutes for April 13, 2007
   M/S/P: Foroohar/Goldwhite to approve minutes of April 13 as submitted.

3. Announcements
   3.1 Campus practices regarding governance
   Cheyne has received surveys from approximately one-half of campuses. She will directly contact campus senate staff members of those campuses who have yet to reply.

   3.2 CSU/CFA Contract
   Foroohar announced that the contract was ratified with 97% approval by CFA members. It next goes to the BOT Committee on Collective Bargaining for approval.

4. Reports
   4.1 Jackie McClain: Human Resources
   CFA members ratified the contract by 97%. She expects a positive vote from the BOT. The contract is scheduled as the first item on the BOT agenda on the 15th in order to make this pay cycle. Retroactive pay would then be run on the 17th and received a week later. The June pay cycle would include the new rate of pay. CSU is working closely with CFA and the Controller’s Office in Sacramento to implement this complex agreement to make sure that faculty members receive the money they deserve in a timely fashion. GSI and SSI retroactive pay will be distributed separately, and the time schedule for the SSIs is unknown. Processing of SSIs is manual, and therefore time-consuming. Jackie is composing a letter for faculty that describes what they should expect in terms of contract implementation with respect to their salaries. She praised communication between CSU and CFA on implementation of the contract on these salary issues as the best in several years. Jackie described implementation challenges
regarding sabbaticals, grievance panels, etc.; she expects the implementation process to take six months. Several committees must be formed.

The State Auditor is at the Chancellor’s Office looking at faculty hiring and some other issues, predominantly to see if there is discrimination in hiring.

McNamara mentioned that the faculty recruitment and retention report is still of interest to this committee. Jackie acknowledged that it is a high priority; she regrets the report is late, but her office is missing staff and also working hard on contract implementation.

4.2 Hank Reichman: Executive Committee Liaison
Hank Reichman was not available.

5. Information and Discussion Items/Resolutions

5.1 Assigned time for new Statewide Senators [Cheyne]
The draft resolution was discussed. Although the resolution was well-crafted, concerns were voiced regarding the timing of the resolution; another resolution regarding increasing ASCSU budget for inflation and also an increase in senate responsibilities was already passed this year. It was suggested that the Executive Committee discuss this directly with the Chancellor rather than through a resolution. Should the resolution re-surface in the future, it should be reviewed for its applicability to librarians and counselors. It was also suggested that if this is a priority for the ASCSU, then the Executive Committee should give it appropriate priority over other budget items. The committee decided not to recommend the resolution at this time.

5.2 Desk Copy Disposition and Textbook Prices [Van Selst]
The Committee discussed developing a resolution against faculty selling complimentary desk copies of textbooks, and this was rejected as paternalistic. Committee members decided not to take up this item. Concerns were raised that this might be viewed as blaming the faculty, and there are several reasons that textbook prices are high. A textbook task force is looking at this in a more comprehensive manner and we should await their report.

5.3 ATAC Recommendation: Policy for Academic Technology Infrastructure, Resources, and Practices to be Provided for Faculty
The Committee reviewed a draft resolution from Academic Affairs Committee and agreed to co-sponsor. FAC suggests that they reference AS-2700-05/FA Students’ Access to Academic Information Technology and ATAC Recommendation, Policy for Academic Technology Infrastructure, Resources, and Practices to be Provided for Faculty. In the seventh resolved statement, it was suggested that putting this requirement on vendors would increase the cost of texts.

5.4 Value and Importance of International Programs (with AA)
This is a preview of a resolution for the committee to consider next year. Foroohar is working on a task force on this issue. She compared personnel

documents and mission statements to check for their alignment in valuing international programs. She distributed the results of her survey and a draft resolution for discussion. The goal is to raise awareness of international education on the campuses in mission, curriculum, and university-level RTP policies. Internationalization is part of the curriculum and more than service in the RTP process. Members wondered if it is a good idea to pick out internationalization above other outcomes, such as literacy, which is also not mentioned specifically in RTP policies. Also, we might want to link to the Domain 4 of Access to Excellence planning document in the rationale, and perhaps add wording that faculty should be recognized and rewarded for this work. Clarification of the term “international experience” was suggested. Forohar asked that members review their campus information on her survey and let her know if it is correct.

5.5  **AB 1548/SB 832 Regarding Textbook Prices (with FGA)**
This item was not available for discussion.

5.6  **Campus/System-wide Policy on Domestic Partner Hiring [Cheyne]**
Cheyne described a situation in which a spouse of a faculty member had a job offer from another university, and so a current faculty member was going to leave to go with the spouse to the other university. The spouse of the current faculty member was hired without a search process to retain the faculty member at the campus. Jackie McClain called this a “trailing spouse issue.” Jackie says this would need to be negotiated. The current contract language does not allow this because the hiring process timeline is too slow. Jackie will ask if this issue can be examined in one of the CSU/CFA committees. FAC may wish to re-affirm the autonomy of departments to select their faculty colleagues.

5.7  **Campus Policies Regarding Lecturer Eligibility to Vote in Elections for the ASCSU and to Serve as Members of the ASCSU**
This is a campus-level decision. There are also inconsistencies across campuses with respect to participation by administrators and faculty in the FERP. Cheyne will include in annual report as an issue for future consideration.

5.8  **Protection of Autonomy**
The committee reviewed a draft document from Senator Hornbeck. It concluded that the document represented a “sense of the senate” rather than a resolution. Although it seems like a resolution members would support, members believed it might be viewed as reactive and therefore not necessary at this time. As an alternative, the possibility of drafting a resolution on campus autonomy as a strength of the system, without linking to system-wide strategic planning, was suggested. Perhaps FAC could take up the issue next year (“An appeal to preserve and value campus independence and autonomy”).

5.9  **Proposed Resolution to Prohibit Tobacco Advertising**
This came to us from the Executive Committee; it is a request from a campus group (COUGH) for support. M/S/F Goldwhite/Vanterpool that FAC endorse this resolution. Voted down without dissent. The Committee was not in favor of supporting the resolution because it was viewed as paternalistic, condescending,
and patronizing. Students are adults and should make their own choices. The Committee was concerned about who would determine which advertisements should or should not be allowed. This resolution singles out one harmful industry over others.

6. **Adjournment**
   The meeting was adjourned at 2:40.

   Respectfully submitted by Diana Guerin