Academic Senate CSU
Faculty Affairs Committee
Minutes
May 15, 2013
11:00 AM – 5:00 PM
Coronado Room – Chancellor’s Office

Faculty Affairs Members: Kevin Baaske, Chair (Los Angeles); Jodie Ullman, Vice Chair and Recording Secretary (San Bernardino); Karen Davis (Monterey Bay); Manzar Foroohar (Cal Poly San Luis Obispo); Harold Goldwhite (Emeriti Association); David Hood (Long Beach); Judith Lessow-Hurley (San Jose); Saeed Monemi (Pomona); Romey Sabalius (San Jose)-excused; and Marshelle Thobaben (Humboldt)

1. Approval of Agenda - approved

2. Approval of Minutes April 19, 2013 - approved

3. Member Announcements
   None

4. Reports
4.1 Chair: Kevin Baaske (CSULA)
   • Baaske reviewed senate document on statewide committee assignments. ASCSU is soliciting service on these committees. Senators will complete their requests on Friday. New Exec will announce committee assignments soon after plenary.
   • There will be a Time Certain at Plenary with Administrators (including President) from San Jose State University regarding their online courses. Exec has some prelim questions. There will be a 15 minute report and then a question period. Address questions to the person who you would like to answer. It was recommended that senators focus on Academic excellence.
   • We have consensus that we are very sad that Marshelle is leaving.

4.2 Cal State Online: Jodie Ullman (San Bernardino)
   • No report. Still seeking employment information.
   • New President appointed is from CSUN

4.3 Chancellor’s Office Liaison: Leo Van Cleve (CO)
   • There is a new RFP around the funding ($10 million) for online courses and programs. It is unclear how faculty will be included but they will be. There may be problem because the proposal includes the Governor and others outside the CO. The CO wanted to get out before Governor’s budget and will focus on promising and proven practices.
   • CO is in the process of rewriting/consolidating EO 1047. No new policies envisioned, just consolidating existing polices.
   • The State Department has reduced the threat level, so CSU srograms can go back to Mexico. Risk management information is still requested, but requests are being approved.
4.4 Time Certain 1:30 PM with Andy Merrifield (California Faculty Association)
- CFA is concerned with inadequate budgets, the attacks that have been leveled on certain programs, and the lack of psychological counselors on many campuses. The lack of psychological counselors threatens not only students, but CFA is also concerned that faculty at risk.
- AB 895 calls for a committee to evaluate Online education. CFA will monitor.
- LAO has indicated various expenses, and called for health care and pension contributions.
- The Governor’s Budget does not explicitly tie funding to enrollment.
- CFA is sensitive to recent attack on ethnic studies departments in the CSU. Some departments have been moved to programs, which can jeopardize their future.

4.5 Executive Committee Liaison: Catherine Nelson (Sonoma State)
- SJSU is meeting guidelines
- Executive Vice Chancellor Smith indicated that he needed to talk with Chancellor about San Jose State’s program.
- Executive Committee needs senator preferences for both ASCSU standing committees and system committee (7 to 8 page table of committees). Senators will get it electronically today or tomorrow. Preference forms available tomorrow on paper.
- Please consider putting your name in for Chair, Vice Chair or from Exec Committee

5. Review of Chancellor’s Office Response to Faculty Affairs’ Committee Resolutions from the March 2013 Plenary – not applicable

6. Follow-up on Faculty Affairs Committee resolutions from 2011-2012.
- We would like campuses to get back to FA regarding implementation of the FA authored Emeriti policy review called for in the resolution we submitted last year.

7. Second Reading Resolutions
7.1 Bylaw Change – Synopsis:
- This resolution calls for the establishment of an online website that highlights faculty achievement as embodied in campus-wide awards. FA considered changes to the resolution.

8. First Reading Resolutions
8.1 Need to hire more faculty
- FA spent considerable time crafting a resolution, but the need to ask for a waiver and the lack of certainty on some of the numbers led the Committee to postponed this resolution until next fall. The CO will be developing the CSU budget request at that time, so the timing will be appropriate.

9. Time Certain with San Jose State president regarding their online endeavor.
- The committee spent considerable time discussing the nature of questions that we would like to ask.

10. Topics to carry over to next year’s FA
- The need for the hiring of new tenured or tenure-track faculty
• The desire to continue monitoring online education
• Continue to demand training for faulty handling of disruptive and mentally challenged students and the need for additional psychological counselors.