

January 07 Plenary Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Marshelle Thobaben called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, January 17, 2007.

ROLL CALL: Senators Present: (Bakersfield) Jacquelyn Kegley, John Tarjan; (Channel Islands) Dennis Muraoka, Lillian Vega-Castaneda; (Chico) Jim Postma; (Dominguez Hills); Rudy Vanterpool, Caroline Bordinaro; (East Bay) Hank Reichman, Calvin Caplan; (Fresno) Otto Benavides; (Fullerton) Vincent Buck, Diana Guerin, Barry Pasternack; (Humboldt) Marshelle Thobaben, Bernadette Cheyne; (Long Beach), David Hood, Praveen Soni, Maria Viera; (Los Angeles) Kevin Baaske, Marshall Cates; (Maritime Academy) Tuuli Messer-Bookman, James Wheeler; (Monterey Bay) Ken Nishita, Mark O'Shea; (Northridge), Michael Reagan, Steven Stepanek, Barbara Swerkes; (Pomona) Marvin Klein, Rochelle Kellner; (Sacramento) Cristy Jensen, Thomas Krabacher; (San Bernardino) Buckley Barrett, C.E. Tapie Rohm Jr.; (San Diego) Edward Aguado, Fred Hornbeck, Michael Perkins; (San Francisco) Andrea Renwanz Boyle, Darlene Yee-Melichar; (San José) E. Michael Gorman, Mark Van Selst; (San Luis Obispo) Manzar Foroohar, Myron Hood; (San Marcos), Dick Montanari; (Sonoma) Catherine Nelson; (Stanislaus) Jason Myers, Paul O'Brien; (Retired & Emeritus Faculty) Harold Goldwhite; (Chancellor's Office) Gary Reichard.

Others Present: Roberta Actenberg, Chair, Board of Trustees; Charles Reed, Chancellor; John Travis, CFA President; Craig Smith, Faculty Trustee; Ron Kroman, ERFA Representative; Hironao Okahana, CSSA Representative; Keith Boyum, Chancellor's Office; Ann Peacock, Executive Director ASCSU.

The agenda was modified to add an additional first reading item (J. Kegly).

The modified agenda was approved.

The minutes of the September plenary were approved. (M/S Caplan/Rohm)

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS

New senators and visitors were introduced and welcomed. Caroline Bordinaro (new senator from Dominguez Hills); Kevin Baaske (new senator from Los Angeles); Ron Kroman, CSU-ERFA Liaison; Faculty Trustee Craig Smith; Assistant Vice Chancellor Keith Boyum; Executive Vice Chancellor Gary Reichard; President of the California Faculty Association (CFA) John Travis; Associate VP South (CFA) and Professor of Music at CSU Dominguez Hills,

David Bradfield; and the Secretary of CFA and Professor of Education, CSU San Marcos, John Halcón.

REPORTS

Chair Marshelle Thobaben's written report can be accessed at the following URL: http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Records/Chairs_Reports/nov06_chair_reort.pdf.

Academic Affairs (Darlene Yee-Melichar)

There were a variety of issues that the AA Committee discussed and worked hard on at our meetings on December 8, 2006 and yesterday (January 17, 2007). We are proposing a number of resolutions for the Statewide Senate's consideration. These resolutions are listed on the ASCSU plenary meeting agenda; five are in second reading, and two are in first reading.

One of these resolutions (Resource Needs for High-Quality, Independent EdD Programs in the CSU) is jointly sponsored with FGA, and two of these resolutions (Response to SB 1543 [Alarcon]: High School Curriculum and High School Coursework Requirements; Support of the a-g Curriculum as California's High School Graduation Course Requirements) are jointly sponsored with TEKR. We appreciated the opportunity to consult and deliberate with FGA and TEKR on these important resolutions.

The AA Committee heard liaison reports from our colleagues on several systemwide committees and task forces, and thanked them for their helpful updates. We also would like to acknowledge Drs. Keith Boyum, Chris Hanson, Mary Cheng, Wayne Dick, Mark Turner, Barbara Swerkes and Allison Jones for meeting and sharing timely information with us.

The AAC will continue to address the following issues: GE courses and on-line education, alternatives to FTEs based-funding, accessible technology, the paper entitled *The Place of Graduate Education in the CSU*, and remediation.

Faculty Affairs (Bernadette Cheyne)

The Faculty Affairs Committee has two resolutions on the plenary agenda, one a second reading and the other related to contract negotiations with a waiver requested.

At yesterday's committee meeting, we heard reports from Jackie McClain and John Travis on contract negotiations, which currently are entering the fact-finding phase. Both agreed that compensation is the most significant issue affecting the negotiations. We also had a dialogue with CSU General Counsel

Christine Helwick on matters related to audio/videotaping of classes and requests for faculty/student/staff information related to the PATRIOT Act.

The committee continues to investigate the issue of faculty satisfaction, and has prepared a summary of information currently available on this topic. At our next meeting we will discuss strategies related to this topic. We also will explore some broader issues regarding International Programs.

Each senator has been given a hard copy of the Responses from the Academic Senate CSU to the "Talking Points on the Role of Scholarly Research and Creative Activities in the CSU." If senators have any additional comments, they should be e-mailed to the committee chair by Monday, January 22.

Fiscal and Governmental Affairs (Jacquelyn Kegley)

Fiscal and Governmental Affairs had a joint meeting with the Executive Committee, Gary Reichard, Karen Yelverton Zamarripa, Patrick Lenz, and Allison Jones to discuss ways in which FGA and the Senate could be more proactive and involved earlier with budgetary proposals and legislative matters. There was an excellent exchange and Vice Chancellor Reichard indicated a willingness to assist in facilitating our involvement on issues of common concern to us all. A preliminary issue that we will jointly address is the Marginal Cost Funding proposal. It was also suggested that a resolution on budget and legislative priorities from the Senate in the spring would be a good idea.

The committee discussed a draft resolution on CEPC's recommendation for a fee freeze, but decided to postpone any further action on this item at the present time. A resolution on graduate education funding has been drafted and will be presented to the Plenary. The resolutions on Resources for the Independent Doctorate and for Library electronic and print holdings were perfected and will be second reading for the plenary.

Plans are in process for visits with legislative staff in the coming week. The legislative days is projected for April 10th or 11th. Chair Kegley also invited all the senate committees to identify issues and bills that they deemed important.

Teacher Education and K-12 Relations (TEKR) (Mark O'Shea)

The TEKR committee introduced a resolution for first reading calling for changes in *No Child Left Behind* policies and procedures. The committee is concerned about the state of public education with respect to implementation of curriculum standards. When teachers are required to read text materials verbatim in their classroom, there is little opportunity to exercise professional judgment and decision-making. Student teachers and other teacher candidates

will not benefit from practical training settings that call for use of such scripted curricula.

TEKR is pleased to have participation in the upcoming Teacher Education Professional Development Day at the Marriott in Burlingame on March 9, 2007. This workshop will provide teacher educators with an opportunity to collaborate with their colleagues on important issues raised in part by the CSU systemwide evaluation of teacher education.

TEKR looks forward to the spring term and the development of additional resolutions in support of teacher education programs and their continuous improvement through effective program evaluation methods.

LDTP Advisory Committee (Barbara Swerkes) and (Marshall Cates) Senator Swerkes stated that during the fall, LDTP entered the Course Review phase. Twenty-two course descriptors from 10 disciplines were posted for Community College consideration and course submission. (A list of all LDTP approved programs and descriptors may be found on the CSUCO – Academic Affairs Website). CSU faculty were recruited and trained on-line to conduct reviews of the courses submitted by community colleges to meet the requirements of these descriptors. These reviews are conducted on-line. 1235 courses were submitted by 66 community colleges for this first review cycle. Community colleges will be notified of the results of this review by February 1. Twenty-five new descriptors have been added to the original twenty-two for the second review cycle, which begins on Feb 15. The Advisory Committee continues to seek recommendations for faculty to conduct these reviews. Please submit nominations to any member of the Advisory Committee (Membership is listed on ASCSU website at the following URL: <http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Committees/LDTP/>)

Much concern has been expressed by some community college representatives, as well as CCC and CSU articulation officers, regarding requirements in LDTP course descriptors that are not matched in individual campus-to-campus articulation agreements. Community colleges would have no incentive to submit courses for LDTP inclusion if the requirements for LDTP are more restrictive than existing articulation agreements. Senators are urged to share this concern with faculty on their campuses and ask departments to review existing articulation agreements for coordination where appropriate with LDTP requirements. This is currently an issue with the Economics descriptors that require intermediate algebra as a prerequisite; yet articulation officers tell us that campus articulation agreements do not require this pre-requisite.

Senator Cates reported that there are only about 6 outstanding departments that have yet to turn in their departmental LDTP requirements. Several courses are still in need of approval, with about five that are just needing one more vote. We are nearly finished with the first round of approving community college submissions. The approval rate is around 50%. Many CCs submitted existing courses without modification, so we expect in future cycles to have a higher approval rate. We have established a new course development group for Statistics. Ken Nishita chairs this new group.

Campus Initiatives to Facilitate Graduation Visitation Teams (Harold Goldwhite)

Visits to all remaining campuses are scheduled for the rest of the academic year. The team members are preparing suggestions for Associate Vice Chancellor Boyum on possible directions for the program in the coming years.

General Education Advisory Committee (John Tarjan)

The General Education Advisory Committee considered several issues.

1. Potential Alignment of IGETC/GE-Breadth—a tri-system task force is being formed to look at potential changes.
2. The list of allowable GE credit for passing AP exams was updated.
3. The committee sent a thought piece to the campuses and Access to Excellence Steering Committee for their consideration.
4. Potential revisions to the language contained in EO 595, which establishes GE-Breadth, were discussed.
5. The language of instruction for GE courses was discussed. According to state law, it must be English in almost all cases.
6. The committee is appointing a sub-committee to review the document “Guidelines for Review of GE” developed by Interim Dean Chris Hanson. This should be a valuable document for current and future reviewers.
7. The next GEAC meeting will be held on February 8th.

Faculty Trustee Recommending Committee (Harold Goldwhite)

There were three nominees that were all qualified. The committee is recommending all three candidates: Kathy Kaiser, Craig Smith, and Anthony Van Reusen.

PRESENTATIONS

Executive Vice Chancellor Gary Reichard

The EAP continues to garner good national support. Student participation continues to increase. The campus conversations in connection to the "Access to Excellence" planning process are scheduled on all campuses; occurring between January 19 and March 21. On April 4 there will be a Steering

Committee meeting to set the agenda for the System-wide Summit April 24-25 in Newport Beach.

There will be a report on remediation at the March Board of Trustees meeting. There is a possibility that the Board will discuss the issues of current goals and timetable for achieving them, in its consideration of the report.

Faculty Trustee Craig Smith

Trustee Smith reported that a subcommittee of the BOT heard the issue on international exchange programs and academic freedom was supported. Student safety is always of paramount importance, but when these issues are addressed and we follow federal guidelines such programs are supported. Trustees will be in attendance at the Access to Excellence campus meetings.

Q and A followed.

John Travis (CFA President)

John Travis reported that the bargaining process has stalled. Salary is the roadblock. We seem to make progress until salary comes up, then bargaining breaks off. We are in the final step, fact finding. Once the contract no longer applies, we can take job actions. This is the first time that we have sought authorization for a strike, but we do not see an alternative.

Q and A followed.

Hironao Okahana (CSSA Representative)

The governor's budget proposal was very disappointing to the CSSA, especially the expectation of a 10% fee hike and elimination of \$7 million from outreach programs. Students will begin their advocacy efforts shortly, including in-district and Capital lobbying, as well as a system-wide students' lobby day at the Capital in April. CSSA wishes to work with the administration and faculty of the CSU to advance our priority in the budget proposal and we will communicate with your leadership and administration's leadership our goals and objectives on this matter. We appreciate AS-2774-06 and the faculty's concern on the fee structure and educational outcomes. We hope that CSSA will also be invited to participate in this discussion.

Roberta Achtenberg (Chair, Board of Trustees)

The board has a 5-year plan to address the salary lag and this is its number one priority. We will continue to pursue this with the governor.

The strategic plan is a great opportunity to address issues. It will produce a roadmap for our future excellence. We expect to set targets to address the needs of underserved populations of California.

Q and A followed.

Chancellor Reed

Reed reported that the budget was consistent with the Compact, but stated he was surprised at the \$7,000,000 reduction from outreach. Reed hopes that the legislature will return it. Reed stated that the budget did not fund the 1% for compensation, but the CSU will continue to request it.

Reed reported that we are experiencing increases in applications from under-represented groups, which is a good sign. He said that the recent election at the federal level has placed many Californians in prominent positions. This should help California in dealing with the federal government.

The Chancellor warned us of an upcoming issue of great consequence to the CSU: The California Community College's (CCC) have enough signatures to place in 2008 an initiative that: 1) reduces CCC fees from \$21 to \$15 (in the constitution) 2) sets the CCC share of the state budget at 10.67% (in the constitution) and 3) expands the CCC board to 16. This will further narrow the state's discretionary funds from which the University of California and the CSU are funded.

Voluntary System Accountability (VSA) is becoming an increasingly important issue for higher education. There have been proposals from national groups to develop voluntary accountability measures. The Chancellor stated that he has committed the CSU to be a participant. There is a President's committee on VSA that is meeting this week.

CLA (Collegiate Learning Assessment) may be adopted on all CSU campuses beginning next fall. The system will provide funds to defray the costs of this assessment. Other system-wide evaluations/assessments of student outcomes may also be implemented.

RESOLUTIONS

Resource Needs for High Quality Independent Ed.D. Programs in the CSU (AS-2773-06/FGA/AA) Second Reading. Approved Unanimously

Request for a Task Force to Study CSU Student Fee Policy (AS-2774-06/AA)
Second Reading. Approved

Principles To Guide The Application Of The TCSU Numbering System For
California State University (CSU) Systemwide Articulation (AS-2776-06/AA)
Second Reading. Approved Unanimously

Response To SB 1543 (ALARCON): High School Curriculum; High School
Coursework Requirements (AS-2777-06/AA/TEKR) Second Reading
Approved Unanimously

Support of the a-g Curriculum as California's Primary High School Graduation
Course Requirements (AS 2778-06/AA/TEKR) Second Reading
Approved Unanimously

Library Resource Needs For All Undergraduate and Graduate Programs (AS-
2779-06/FGA) Second Reading. Approved Unanimously

Recognition of Faculty Service in Governance (AS-2781-06/FA) Second
Reading. Approved Unanimously

Importance of Settling the Contract Between CSU and CFA (AS-2782-07/FA)
Waiver. Approved

The following first reading items were introduced:

Support for Carnegie's New Community Engagement Classification (AS-2784-
07/AA)

Support for Professional Science Master's (PMS) Degree Program (AS-2785-
07/AA)

Support for Substantial Revision to the Elementary and Secondary Education
Act (No Child Left Behind) (AS-2786-07/TEKR)

Extension of Graduate Differential Funding to All Graduate FTES (AS-2787-
07/FGA)

The following item was withdrawn:

Position on CPEC Recommendation for Fee Freeze (AS-2783/07/FGA)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 am on Friday, January 18, 2006.