

May 2007 Plenary Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Marshelle Thobaben called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 10, 2007.

ROLL CALL: Senators Present: (Bakersfield) Jacquelyn Kegley, John Tarjan; (Channel Islands) Dennis Muraoka, Lillian Vega-Castaneda; (Chico) Kathy Kaiser, Jim Postma; (Dominguez Hills); Rudy Vanterpool, Caroline Bordinaro; (East Bay) Calvin Caplan, Hank Reichman (Fresno) Jacinta Amaral, 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) James Wheeler; (Monterey Bay) Ken Nishita, Mark O'Shea; (Northridge), Michael Reagan, Barbara Swerkes; Steven Stepanek (Pomona) Rochelle Kellner, Marvin Klein; (Sacramento) Robert Buckley, 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; Robert Williams (San José) E. Michael Gorman, Romey Sabalius, Mark Van Selst; (San Luis Obispo) Manzar Foroohar, Myron Hood; (San Marcos), Glen Brodowsky, John (Dick) Montanari; (Sonoma) Robert McNamara, Catherine Nelson; (Stanislaus) Jason Myers, Paul O'Brien; (Retired & Emeritus Faculty) Harold Goldwhite; (Chancellor's Office) Gary Reichard.

Others Present: Charles Reed, Chancellor; Craig Smith, Faculty Trustee Representative; Hironao Okahana, CSSA Representative; Keith Boyum, Chancellor's Office; Ann Peacock, Executive Director ASCSU; John Travis, and Lillian Taiz, CFA.

The agenda was approved.

The minutes of the March plenary were approved.

CONSENT ITEM:

AS-2789-07/EX Academic Senate CSU Calendar of 2007-2008 meetings

ANNOUNCEMENTS/INTRODUCTIONS

New senators and visitors were introduced and welcomed.

Several schools are celebrating anniversaries – 150 years at San José State University, 120 years at CSU Chico, and 50 years at CSU East Bay.

REPORTS

Chair Marshelle Thobaben's written report can be accessed at the following URL:
http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Records/Chairs_Reports/may07_chair_reort.pdf.

Academic Affairs (Darlene Yee-Melichar)

The 06/07 academic year has been a full and productive one for the ASCSU Academic Affairs Committee. Our work was greatly enhanced by the specialized contributions of our colleagues on the Ed.D. Faculty Consultation Group, the LDTP Steering Committee, and the GE Advisory Committee.

Our final meeting of the year included a large number of issues, many with associated resolutions. These resolutions include: Graduate Education Development in the California State University; The Use of Lower Division Transfer Pattern (LDTP) Course Descriptors to Facilitate Campus to Campus

Transfer Within the California State University (referred by LDTP Steering Committee); Sustainability in the California State University (with FGA); and Providing Equal Access to Programs and Services for Individuals with Disabilities (referred by ATAC).

In addition, given recent changes to AB 178 (Coto), the ASCSU Academic Affairs Committee withdrew the resolution on “Support for AB 178 (Coto): High Schools: Curriculum and Enrollment: College Readiness and Equity Program.” The committee also conferred on the following resolutions for possible co-sponsorship: Enhancing the Doctoral Culture in the CSU (with TEKR); Establish a CSU Doctoral Advisory Committee (with TEKR); and Protection of the Autonomy of Individual Institutions as a Board Responsibility in the Governance of a Multiversity (with FGA).

We greatly appreciated hearing the liaison reports from members of our committee who represent us on many systemwide committees and task forces. We especially appreciated the ongoing attendance and participation of Drs. Keith Boyum and Chris Hanson who provided us with timely information updates on Academic Affairs in the CSU Chancellor’s Office. For example, yesterday, we heard about Access to Excellence next steps; LDTP and concerns about articulation; CSU Task Force on Nursing to explore independent doctorates in Nursing, special professional fees for MBA students, accreditation and negotiated regulations development by the U.S. Department of Education, and remediation and proficiency.

We met again with Dr. Lorie Roth who addressed concerns and questions about the transparency and accountability in learning in relation to the Voluntary System of Accountability (VSA) and CLA. She shared information with us indicating that the U.S. Department of Education is considering significant steps to increase federal control over accreditation. There was a referral from the ASCSU Executive Committee for us to give advice on the ICAS draft resolution for the proper use of the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE).

Many thanks to Drs. Keith Boyum and Chris Hanson for their helpful contributions to shared governance. Special thanks to colleagues on the ASCSU Academic Affairs Committee who have put so much thought and energy into their work.

Faculty Affairs (Bernadette Cheyne)

Faculty Affairs committee dealt with a number of issues:

Action for the following resolution:

1. Providing Equal Access to Programs and Services for Individuals with Disabilities (with AA)

No Action for the following resolutions:

1. Assigned Time for New Statewide Senators:
 - Badly timed in light of prior ASCSU resolutions and other current issues
 - Might better be addressed by the Executive Committee in informal discussions with the Chancellor’s Office
2. Desk Copy Disposition and Textbook Prices:
 - Singles out faculty to blame for high textbook prices
 - Appears paternalistic
 - Textbook task force is reviewing the matter more comprehensively; report pending
3. Prohibit Tobacco Advertising and Sponsorship (Motion failed without dissent).
 - Paternalistic, Condescending, &/or Patronizing
 - As adults, students should make their own choices

- If pursued, should focus on advertising in general. Singles out one harmful industry over others

Deferred resolutions:

1. International Programs - A number of matters related to International Programs and “global experiences” will be reviewed by FA next year.
2. Protection of the Autonomy of Individual Institutions - Recommend that this be an agenda item at our September plenary.

Fiscal and Governmental Affairs (Jacquelyn Kegley)

Fiscal and Governmental Affairs

The Chair of Fiscal and Governmental Affairs expresses her deep appreciation to all members of the committee for their excellent work on behalf of the Senate this year. The committee has the following resolutions on the agenda for this plenary: Budget Goals and Priorities; Sustainability (co-sponsored with Academic Affairs), Support for SB 44 (Torkelson) (Professor Development and Teacher Cadet program, co-sponsored with TEKR); Availability of Textbook Information (support of SB 382: Corbet); Support for First Year Access to Gal Grant B (AB 178: Price); and Support for Waiver of Non-Resident Fees (AB 286: Cook). In addition, to conversations with Karen Zamarripa in the Advocacy and Institutional Relations Office, with Allison Jones on legislation and with Patrick Lenz on budget, FGA discussed recommend items for follow-up this summer and next year and these will be included In the annual report of the committee.

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

The Teacher Education and K-12 Relations (TEKR) committee closed the academic year with the submission and approval of several resolutions. Two resolutions focused on the emerging role of the CSU in doctoral education. The committee identified a need to establish a doctoral program advisory committee to formalize the work of senators already conducted under the able leadership of Senator Cristy Jensen and CSU administration. TEKR envisions this committee as a policy recommending and oversight committee for the evaluation and approval of doctoral programs in the CSU. A second resolution called for the administration, Senate, and Ed.D. faculty to facilitate high quality in Educational Leadership doctoral programs through the provision of system-wide conferences, symposia, and inter-institutional research activities in this important field. TEKR also sponsored a resolution supporting the rights of public school teachers to select appropriate resources to meet the state curriculum standards. In some schools, teachers are told to use only a specific program, which may limit their ability to help children with varied needs. TEKR co-sponsored a resolution with the Fiscal and Governmental Affairs Committee that supports legislation submitted by State Senator Tolakson for the establishment of academies for teacher preparation in public secondary schools. Finally, committee members identified some recommendations for further action by next year's committee, including continued monitoring of the new ED.D. programs as they emerge. We all want to assure success on the part of all our new programs as the CSU enters the field of doctoral education.

LDTP Advisory Committee (Barbara Swerkes) and (Marshall Cates)

Barbara Swerkes shared accomplishments as a handout.

Marshall Cates:

The 50 percent approval rate for the California Community College (CCC) submissions is primarily due to the time line given the CCCs. Most CCCs submitted existing courses without change. We expect that once the CCC’s faculty reviews their courses the approval rate will dramatically increase

General Education Advisory Committee (John Tarjan)

1. We continued our discussion of the pros and cons of GE transfer alignment. The consensus of the faculty, which will be reported to the ICAS GE task force, is that a movement away from Area Breadth would not be desirable.
2. We continued our discussion of potential revisions to the language in EO 595, which establishes Area Breadth. A subcommittee will incorporate feedback and have draft language and a letter to go out to campuses in the fall. We hope to convene a meeting with campus GE chairs to discuss possible revisions and other issues related to general education.
3. The review of criteria for the required government course has been completed. The political science chairs are recommending no changes.
4. Senator Hank Reichman is conducting a similar survey of history chairs regarding the criteria for the U.S. history course.
5. We are having an ongoing discussion of the critical thinking course, which will continue into next year.

The committee has recommended keeping disciplinary distinctions in meeting requirements for Area D (social science).

Other Committee/Task Force Reports

Senator Soni presented results of the Task Force dealing with professional fees for post-baccalaureate business programs.

Senator Hornbeck stated that Patents and Technology Transfer committee has had an organization meeting.

Senator Pastenack reported that the Drops/Withdrawals/Incompletes/Repeats task force has a draft that has been written and is being reworked.

Senators Pasternack and Foroohar stated that the International Planning committee is looking at GE programs, Mission statements, RTP processes, and foreign language requirements.

Senator Montanari reported that the Services to Students with Disabilities committee is looking at revising the charter for the committee.

Senator Montinari commented that the Commission for the Extended University committee has formed new subcommittees.

PRESENTATIONS

Executive Vice Chancellor Reichard

- Expressed his appreciation to the Executive Committee for their work on the *Access to Excellent* summit. AVC Reichard commented that an annotated outline from the consultant would be available for review soon prior to the development and posting of a first draft document on the web site, hopefully by late summer.
- Commented that a Transforming Course Design Initiative is under way, with grant awards to be announced by the end of May.
- Stated that Academic Affairs has been asked by the Board of Trustees to develop a report on past actions in remediation, including discussion of promising campus practices, to be presented at the September 2007 Board meeting.
- Commented that a meeting earlier in the day involving Chancellor Reed, Chancellor Drummond of the California Community Colleges, and senior academic affairs leaders of both systems on issues related to the Lower Division Transfer Patterns (LDTP) Project meeting went well, with both system leaders agreeing that LDTP must go forward.
- Stated that six EdD programs are ready to be approved for accreditation. CSU San Bernardino is still negotiating with WASC. Discussions with the UCOP on developing a joint doctorate in

Audiology have progressed well, but final resolution has been hampered by the two systems' inability to get a sufficiently high marginal cost rate through legislation; discussions continue, with the hope that an accessible, affordable joint program can be developed at two sites, at least.

- Reported that the Legislature continues to urge the CSU us to produce more baccalaureate-level nursing graduates, but without assurance yet of an increased marginal cost rate that would enable campuses to deliver more graduates. Discussions with legislative leaders continue on this subject.
- Commented that the system task force to consider a possible professional fee for post-baccalaureate Business programs is nearing the completion of its work. Enrollment data in these programs are being carefully reviewed, so that any recommendation for a fee will be able to take into account possible effects on access and diversity of enrollment, as well as mitigation of program costs.

John Travis and Lillian Taiz (CFA)

A commendation was given to John Travis. CFA has approved the proposed contract. There is good will on both sides in handling the details of conversion to contract language. CFA is committed to access, therefore, is against student fee increase.

Q&A followed.

Faculty Trustee Craig Smith

Now that we have a contract we can turn our attention to *Access to Excellence*. Dr. Smith believes a consensus has formed around three major questions, each with sub-issues. First, how much freedom should a campus have to enhance its unique quality? (Would such enhancement contribute to innovation, diversity, and/or innovation?) Second, in what ways can we accomplish workload reallocation? (Would such reallocation require a new, more diverse tenure track system?) Third, what opportunities exist for better P-16 integration? (Would such integration increase diversity?) Our option for funding these goals is limited. We need to seek funds from the state and private contributions. We need examine best practices in these three areas to see what we can do internally on each campus.

Hironao Okahana (CSSA Representative)

CSSA Board of Directors will meet in San Bernardino this weekend. Prior to the regular session, there will be an interview panel for student trustee candidates. Three to five nominees will be forwarded to the Governor for his consideration and appointment. The Board will be debating several resolutions including the one concerning the proposed professional school fees for MBA students, as well as the one relative to CSU Budget principle for AY2008/2009. The Board will also be reviewing its operating budget for FY2007/2008. Elections for executive officers will be held in June during our meeting in Monterey Bay. On the personal note, I sincerely thank the Academic Senate CSU and Chancellor's General Education Advisory Committee for bearing with me for the last two years. Interactions I have had with these bodies indeed enlighten me in finding the academic and professional career that I would like to pursue hereon.

Chancellor Reed

Chancellor Reed reported that the Senate restored \$7 million to the CSU budget, but the assembly did not. The issue will be taken up again next week. Casino gambling rules have not yet been passed, and every month the state loses \$100 million. In addition, two court cases may cost the State \$1 billion.

The assembly wants an evaluation of CSU outreach programs. We believe we have shown success, specifically, minority applications in most categories are up.

The CSU has one of the best programs of emergency preparedness. The CSU has contracted in the past with the former federal head of emergency preparedness James Lee Witt for an assessment. The CSU has planned for communications and terrorism strike, and has changed our protocol regarding an active shooter on campus. Every year CSU conducts emergency practice sessions, and an assessment.

Chancellor Reed stated he has asked financial aid staff to review our programs on lending. We do not have any major problems. We have reviewed some issues with commercial banks and preferred lender lists. Our coded memorandum on lenders has gone further than the federal proposed legislation.

The CSU needs student fees to operate. The money highlighted by the union as “liquid” and available for other use is tied up in parking, bond processes, current building projects, and other specialized funds. The funds are located on the individual campuses. The CSU has assumed the liability of the debt as a way to improve bond ratings.

Q & A followed.

Ralph Wolff, President and Executive Director of Western Associate of Schools and Colleges (WASC) addressed the group.

1. WASC is trying to encourage faculty participation in the accreditation process and would invite suggestions on how to increase that participation. He views his recent meeting with ICAS as the first step in this process.
2. WASC is very committed to outcomes assessment as a part of the review process.
3. There are ongoing negotiations with the federal government over the amount of centralized control of the accreditation process and the amount of regional and campus discretion.
4. There is great interest at the federal level in accountability measures.
5. WASC is going through its own review process, very similar to the process that campuses go through.
6. Writing and critical thinking are a major focus for WASC in all campus reviews.

RESOLUTIONS

AS-2790-07/AA Graduate Education in the California State University (CSU) (Rev)
Approved Unanimously

AS-2791-07/TEKR Support of Changes to Policy in Curriculum and Instruction for California’s Public Schools
Approved Unanimously

AS-2792-07/TEKR Enhancing the Doctoral Culture in the CSU (Rev)
Approved Unanimously

AS-2793-07 /TEKR Establish a CSU Doctorate in Education Advisory Committee (TEKR)
Approved Unanimously

AS-2794-07/AA Support for AB 178 (Coto): High Schools: Curriculum and Enrollment: College Readiness and Equity Programs
Withdrawn

AS-2796-07/FGA CSU Budget Goals and Priorities for Academic Year 2008-2009 (Rev)

Approved Unanimously

AS-2797-07/FGA/TEKR Support for Torlakson SB44
Passed Unanimously

AS-2798-07/FGA Information Available on Textbook Costs
Passed without Decent

AS-2799-07 The Use of Lower Division Transfer Pattern (LDTP) Course Descriptors to Facilitate
Campus to Campus Transfer Within the California State University
Approved Unanimously

AS-2800-07/FGA/AA Sustainability in the California State University (CSU)
Approved Unanimously

AS-2801-07/AA/FA Providing Equal Access to Programs and Services for Individuals
with Disabilities
Approved Unanimously

AS-2802-07/FGA In Support of SB 160 (Cedillo): The California Dream Act (Student Financial
Aid: eligibility)
Approved Unanimously

AS-2803-07/FGA In Support of AB 302 (De La Tore & Ruskin): Cal Grant "B" Entitlement Awards:
Award Amounts.
Approved Unanimously

AS-2804-07/FGA Funding Faculty Compensation
Withdrawn

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 pm., Friday May 11, 2007.