FGA Agenda

March 9, 2005 – Anacapa Room

I. Approval of Agenda

II. Approval of Minutes of January meeting (are there any?)

III. Lobbying

Wrapup of February 16

Plans for April 4-5

IV. Budget

Systemwide Budget Advisory (Reichman & D. Hood)

LAO criticism of Governor’s higher ed budget (D. Hood)
http://www.lao.ca.gov/analysis_2005/education/ed_20_6610_CSU_anl05.htm#_Toc96506649

Senate and Assembly budget hearings (should we try to attend?)

V. Legislation

Report: Assembly Higher Ed Committee hearings on Master Plan (McKillop)

Report: CFA’s legislative agenda an outlook: Susan Meisenhelder (11:30 a.m. TIME CERTAIN)

Report: CSU GRO: Wess Larson (12:30 p.m. TIME CERTAIN) – via videoconference in Catalina Room.

SB 5 (Morrow) B Academic Freedom
http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_5&sess=CUR&house=B&author=morrow

SB 724 (Scott) B Professional Doctorates
http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=sb_724&sess=CUR&house=S&author=scott

AB 196 (Liu) B Higher Education Accountability
http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_196&sess=CUR&house=B&author=liu
AB 992 (Spitzer)  B  Law Enforcement Surveillance.

http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/cgi-bin/postquery?bill_number=ab_992&sess=CUR&house=B
&author=spitzer

This legislation, sponsored by UC and CSU, seeks to extend to University police the right to tape record individuals without their prior knowledge. There is a provision in law that allows other law enforcement agencies to "overhear" or record conversations if their officers are "acting in the scope of their authority." This would extend this to university police. Do we want to take a position?

Other Legislation

VI.  Resolutions

CMS Resolution

The committee will meet with David Ernst at a TIME CERTAIN of 3:30 p.m. to discuss this resolution. FAC has been invited to join us.

Voter registration  B

Eric Guerra, CSU student trustee, has prepared the draft policy below that would implement a "CSU Policy on Civic Engagement and Education." His goal is to have a policy drafted and approved by the Board of Trustees to encourage civic engagement when there is an election. Moreover, Eric is interested in having the Board of Trustees convey the message that CSU has a responsibility to educate incoming students about their participation in the democratic process that includes the right to vote. Here is his draft policy:

The policy would require the California State University to modify its residence halls & housing programs to do the following:

* Provide a voter registration card (VRC) to all students who are living on the university campus. The student would receive the (VRC) at the point a key and university (local) address has been assigned to the student.

* The voter registration card would be collected along with the application to issue a key from the student (if the student is not a U.S. Citizen the VCRs now have a box that says "I am not a U.S. Citizen" and would not have to complete the form). The VCR would include a notice indicating to the student/tenant that registering to vote is entirely voluntary and would not preclude the student from enrolling in the campus residence hall program.

* The residence hall programs would submit all completed VCRs to the local county registrar's office.

* Increase availability of election information from the California Secretary of State's Office in areas where students commonly congregate.

Do we want to take a position? (The Senate passed a resolution on voter registration efforts recently)

VII.  Special Election and CALPERS  B

What role, if any, should the ASCSU play?