

**Academic Senate CSU Executive Committee**

**October 15, 2010 – Munitz Room – 9:00 am - 3:00 pm**

**Minutes**

**Extended Executive Committee**

Announcements

None.

Approval of Agenda

Approved.

Faculty Trustee Update

Chair Postma reviewed the response provided by Christine Helwick on the issue of Faculty Early Retirement Program (FERP) faculty serving as faculty trustee. Her view is that “an active full-time tenured member of the CSU faculty is what was contemplated” in the code (Education Code section 66602).

Committee Reports

Committee chairs reviewed potential resolutions and items for discussion on the agendas of their respective committees. A suggestion was made to schedule a plenary “committee of the whole” to discuss issues that pertain to several committees (e.g., Early Start) to coordinate work on potential resolutions more effectively.

**Executive Committee**

Announcements

English Council is reconsidering sending a representative to the Early Start Implementation Team.

Approval of Agenda

Approved as amended.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of September 15-16 were approved.

## Ralph Wolfe

Mr. Wolfe has asked to meet with Executive Committee. Jim will invite Ralph to meet with us during the next plenary.

## Legislative Update

Tom reported that governor has signed or vetoed all the bills from last year. One bill he was surprised about was the veto of AB 2446 (CTE courses and area G). He encouraged the ASCSU to suggest ideas for legislation. "Ideas for legislation" should be put on agendas for our committees.

## SB 1440 Implementation

Chair Postma sent a memo to campus senate chairs last Monday.

Jane Patton invited Jim to send faculty to a new committee to deal with the structural issues of curriculum. Jim believes we should discuss this with Executive Vice Chancellor Ephraim Smith. Jim reports hearing many positive comments from CSU faculty regarding the courses being proposed for the transfer degrees in the C-ID discipline groups. There are conversations going on in about ten discipline groups.

The need for a coordinated written plan (CSU, CCC, UC, campus vs. systems) to describe implementation across the state was raised. Campus provosts/Vice Presidents of Academic Affairs should be included.

The possibility of a resolution informing campus senates of their role in the process was suggested.

## Faculty Discipline and Review Group (FDRG) Listings

Chair Postma is concerned that these lists were generated for a different purpose, and he proposes that the discipline department chairs be asked to identify new representatives to the FDRG lists. Also, he thinks they should be given a stipend for participation (will speak to Executive Vice Chancellor Smith). There are about two or three CSU faculty included in the meetings with CCC and UC in each discipline area. The ideal candidate would know about articulation and the majors across the various CSUs.

The FDRG list is not confidential, and Chair Postma will work on getting additional faculty appointed. He will first contact senators for their interest.

## Extended Education

There is interest among some Board of Trustees members to expand extended education as a way to address access. Chair Postma raised a concern that expanding extended education undermines funding for public higher education. On the other hand, it allows for access to programs that might not otherwise be offered.

### Joint Task Force on Patents and Technology Transfer

This was assigned to Faculty Affairs. Beth Ambos reports that this task force will involve the administrative structure following from the last task force recommendation.

### CSU Synergy Project

The purpose of this is to create economy of scale in purchasing and other business functions. It was agreed that a faculty member should be involved. Chair Postma will pursue.

### McGraw Hill's California Developmental Education Summit

This summit will focus on remediation. Chair Postma reported that this is a common practice in his discipline of chemistry (for publishers to talk with the users of their texts at sponsored events). Member at Large Gubernat volunteered to attend. Most did not view it as an ASCSU issue.

### COLD Representation

We need to appoint a replacement for Senator Reichman. Chair Postma will review the interest list of current senators.

### Admissions Advisory Council Meeting

Chair Postma will examine interest lists to find a replacement for Senator Reichman.

### COMPASS Meeting

Several members will be attending.

### Graduation Initiative Conference

Senators' reports on the conferences have been distributed electronically. The emphasis is shifting to closing the achievement gap among ethnic groups. The need to broaden the discussion to include Socio-Economic status was discussed.

### November Plenary Planning

The Chancellor is out of town. Possible invitees: Trustee Linscheid (Bill Hauck, Herb Carter as back up), Eric Forbes (via Allison), Ben Quillian (if something new to share).

### September Newsletter/Resolution Summary

Tom stated this will go out this weekend.

### Budget Update

Tracy reported on the ASCSU budget. She is working on getting the final budget information on the September plenary and this interim meeting, and then she will be able to make better projections. She

is also checking in with the campus travel point persons. All assigned time has been allocated to campuses.

Chair Postma has requested augmentation from Executive Vice Chancellor Smith for the recent cuts to assigned time of Executive Committee, travel shortages, and funding for new initiatives.

### Confidentiality

It was agreed that discussions regarding personnel types of decisions (assigned time for senators, deliberations regarding assignments to committees, etc.) are confidential. As leaders of the ASCSU, we must be careful how others will interpret our comments (personal opinions vs. official positions of the ASCSU).

### **Meeting with EVC Smith**

Pension reform: Executive Vice Chancellor Smith shared details about SB 871, the pension reform bill. These changes apply to CSU.

CSU budget: We are pleased (\$305+\$66 mil), but we are concerned because it is so far into the academic year. If we do not reach the FTES target of over 339,000, we will need to return money to the state. Campuses have been given higher targets, and so far 8 campuses have said they can make the higher target. The goal is that all campuses will reach their share of FTES to get the system to 331,000 FTES. If the campus goes over the target for 339,000, then campuses keep the fee revenues, but there is no promise for marginal funding beyond the fees. Marginal funding is \$7305; student fees are \$4200. One third of student fees are set aside for SUG.

Improving graduation rates: Campuses are encouraged to make more classes available to continuing students. Campuses are encouraged to remove limits on pre-registration and unit loads.

Enrollment management: AB 2402 requires public notice in advance when impaction criteria are changed. Most campuses are using the in-area vs. out-of-area impaction criteria. Four campuses (San Luis Obispo, San Diego, Long Beach, Fullerton) are using program impaction. Changes to these models from the plans currently in place will require public notice.

Early Start: The implementation committee met. They identified several issues that need to be clarified.

Executive Vice Chancellor Smith discussed the need for multiple pathways to math remediation. The community college remediation for math often involves several sequenced courses, leading to high drop-outs because it takes so long to complete. John Tarjan mentioned statway for non-STEM area students, which has four tracks. Executive Vice Chancellor Smith said that statway is working with five community colleges, and that funding from foundations is being sought to work with CSU campuses.

For remediation in the community colleges, Executive Vice Chancellor Smith wants to hold a meeting to identify a common way (not a different one for each community college) to complete the required early start.

SB 1440 Implementation: A committee was formed, co-chaired by Executive Vice Chancellor Smith and his counterpart in the California community colleges (CCC). They plan to delegate tasks to specific groups. The CSU-CCC have 103 articulation agreements. The big majors will be addressed first. Timelines and roles need to be clarified (within and across systems).

Extended Education: We are going to refer the issue of the role of extended education to one of our committees. Executive Vice Chancellor Smith emphasized access and affordability were our priorities. We are thinking of developing a resolution on appropriate uses of extension. He is interested in the role of online courses in extended education. He stated that the mission of extended education is to support the mission of the CSU. He stated that it might be time to review some of our executive orders. He said that he thinks the Board of Trustees might be disappointed in the low number of online degree programs in the CSU.

What can we work on together: Executive Vice Chancellor Smith will think about that, especially with respect to Early Start and SB 1440. With respect to the Graduation Initiative, we will be coming up with some new suggestions, such as learning communities and timing of declaring a major.

#### **From Liaison Reports**

APEP asked if a faculty member could be appointed as a liaison to CTC.

Faculty Affairs Committee suggested inviting President Karen Haynes (San Marcos) and Sheila Thomas, new State University Dean of Extended Education to the next plenary session. They also suggested that CFA should be encouraged to take up issues such as faculty presence on campus when teaching online, responsibilities of FERP faculty, etc. Their priority discussion items are (from their agenda) 7.4+7.9, 7.6, 7.7, 7.8, 7.9, 7.12, and 7.13.

FGA suggested that ASCSU should pass a resolution for Gunnar and his wife in November. Tom will draft the resolution.

John reported that CSU is seeking funding for assessing LEAP objectives. CSSA is working on voter registration and student representation on (CSU) executive search committees.

Susan reported on the English Council meeting yesterday. Eric Forbes attended much of the meeting.

#### Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Diana Guerin