Executive Committee

Academic Senate of the California State University

December 3-4, 2003

1. The Committee was convened by Chair Cherny at 5:00 p.m. on December 3rd. Present were Executive Committee members Cherny, Hood, Kegley and Snyder, as well as Committee Chair Thobaben, Faculty Trustee Kaiser and Interim Executive Director Peacock. Committee member McNeil and Committee Chairs Cates, Jensen and Thompson joined the committee Thursday morning.

2. The Agenda was approved with several additions.

3. The Minutes of the November meeting were approved as distributed.

4. Chair’s Report

At the Provosts’ meeting, budget reductions were discussed.

**Mid-Year Reduction.** This will be $23.8 million this year, $11.3 million in unallocated reductions and $12.5 million from outreach programs. For 2004-2005 the governor has proposed $74.6 million; of that amount, $22.6 million would be unallocated reductions, and $52 million would be reductions from outreach programs, including $37 million from the Educational Opportunity Program. There appears to be little understanding of the composition of outreach and early assessment. However, if the legislature fails to approve these designated reductions, they will be made as undesignated reductions, which is preferred by the Chancellor’s Office. There will be enrollment target reductions to reflect this reduced funding.

**2004-2005.** For 2004-2005, the Chancellor’s Office anticipates the same range of reductions as we received this year: $300-400 million. The impact will be absorbed by a combination of layoffs, enrollment reductions, and “efficiencies”—the last of these apparently a favorite approach of the new DOF. If not buffered by a fee increase, a reduction of this size could amount to a 12% enrollment loss.

**CSU Mentor** CSU Mentor will be mandatory next year, although students may request a paper application. More than 50% of applicants choose 4 or more campuses.

**CMS** Although there is some unhappiness about the CMS student module, it is required and all campuses are still expected to implement it.

5. **ITP.** ITP Co-Chair Snyder reported on next week’s meeting to finalize the reports on regions and balance.

6. **Liu Committee Hearings Dec. 9th.** This set of hearings will deal exclusively with Community College Funding. The Chair led a discussion of the technology initiative and discussed his Dec. 9th meeting with Bruce Hamlett and Carol Twigg.
7. **POL.** The committee discussed and edited the POL Draft which will be forwarded to the Senate as an information item.

8. **IMPAC/CAN** The committee marked up the IMPAC/CAN draft MOU. Bob will issue another draft for e-mail approval before taking this to Larry Pitts of UC.

9. **Proposed CSU Admission Notification Date Policy.** UC/CSU Admissions Committees had a joint meeting. They propose to send out admissions notifications between March 1-31, with a response deadline of May 1. Some provosts expressed concern about this schedule, but were mollified when told that early acceptance notifications would be permitted. Academic Affairs is to discuss this during the January plenary.

10. **Graduate Differential Proposal (12/15).** The Chair reported that, while visiting San Diego, he and Trustee Kaiser received a suggestion that now is the time to push for the graduate differential as a no-cost item that would yield a more accurate measurement of graduate FTES. This will be discussed further, including discussions with the Chancellor’s Office.

11. **Presidents’ Commission on Teacher Preparation.** Executive Vice Chancellor Spence considers that many of the tasks have been completed.

12. **February Senate Chairs and Committee Meetings.** The Senate Chairs plan to meet in February in Sacramento, and FGA is likely to meet in Sacramento. There was discussion whether all the committees might meet there. The Chair will check with Ann to see if a Sacramento Interim Meeting would adversely impact our Hilton room guarantee, with the Sacramento campus regarding logistics, and with standing committee chairs to determine their preferences.

13. **Master Plan Bills and ICAS.** It would be helpful if Senate Committees could draft resolutions stating the Senate’s positions on the major omnibus Master Plan bills currently before the Legislature. The next meeting of the Intersegmental Committees of the Academic Senates will be February 17th and our positions need to be developed before that time.

14. **CSSA EOP Resolution.** The Chair will speak with Charles Reed, David Spence and Karen Ylverton-Zamarripa about drafting a letter opposing the targeted reduction to EOP.

15. **Audit Report No 02-33 on Disability Support and Accommodations Systemwide.** Vice Chancellor Spence reported that a working group including Academic Senate representatives will develop draft recommendations by January 15, 2004 relative to systemwide policies and oversight of Disability Services.

16. The Committee adjourned at 4:00 p.m. on December 4th.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Hood  
Secretary  

(These Minutes have not been approved.)