

Academic Senate Minutes

April 10, 2013

Voting Members Present: Barab, Belu, Blackaller, Dales, Dellacioppa, Einbinder, Fawver, Ferris, Furtado, Ganezer, Gasco, Gould, Heinze-Balcazar, Hill, Holguin, Jacobs, Jones, Kalayjian, Kravchak, Krochalk, Kulikov, Monty, Moore, Murrey, Niederman, O’Quinn, Oesterheld, Peyton, Rodriguez, Salhi, Salhi, Sharp, Thomas, Victor, Wang, and Welch.

Voting Members Not Present: Carvalho, Claybrook, Ernst, Fitzsimmons, Hagan, Han, Kaplan, Leonard, Lopez-Morin, Navarrete, Rodriguez, Zenhari, Davis, and Jenkins.

Non-Voting Ex-Officio Members Present: Bradfield, Bragg, Castro, Furusa, Gordon, Joshi, Maki, and Wilkins.

Non-Voting Ex-Officio Members Not Present: Bersi, Borrego, Manriquez, Parham, Poltorak, Rodriguez, Torrecilha, and Wen.

Guests: Laura Robles, Ben Zhou, Peter Kim, Sheryl Valdoria, LaTonya Skiffer.

2012-2013 Academic Senate Executive Committee: Jim Hill, Chair; John Davis, Vice Chair; Matt Jones, Parliamentarian; Jan Gasco, EPC Chair; Hamoud Salhi, FPC Chair; Kate Fawver and Pat Kalayjian, Statewide Senators.

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Meeting Called to Order

2:30 p.m.

Approval of Agenda

Amended

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Approval of Minutes from 03/20/13

Amended

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Hill announced that President Hagan was not feeling well and would not be attending today.

First Reading Item

Exec 13-04 Resolution to Amend the Constitution of the General Faculty and Academic Senate of California State University, Dominguez Hills-Matt Jones

Jones presented the resolution which requested that part-time faculty have a representative on the senate. There was a discussion. Gould asked if part-time faculty is the most appropriate name and should they be called non-tenure track faculty. Kalayjian said that she was in favor of the resolution and that the appropriate name is part-time faculty. David Bradfield will let us know for sure. Many senators mentioned that they supported the resolution: O'Quinn, Kaplan, Gould, Jacobs. This is a first reading item and so if anyone has anything to add please contact Matt Jones.

Discussion

Senate Bill 520-Kate Fawver-Fawver went over the text of the bill, summary of bill's actions, and the response of the UC Academic Senate to the bill. Fawver said that SB 520 purports to create an online student access platform targeting high demand courses. 50 high-demand courses would be identified and approved for transfer credit by COERC. In response to the bill, UC senate relayed a categorical "NO." The ASCSU position is "No, unless amended". Several campuses have written resolutions opposing the bill such as Sonoma, Sacramento, San Bernardino, Stanislaus, and San Marcos. Each of the resolutions re-affirms what is established in HEERA. Fawver recommended that the senate executive committee be charged to bring forth a resolution like the other CSU campuses (Sonoma and Stanislaus). Fawver also encouraged all faculty to sign the CFA-sponsored letter to Senate Pro-Tem Steinberg regarding SB 520. Bradfield said that the CFA opposes SB520 unless it is amended and he said that Steinberg appears unwilling to talk and is looking at outsourcing to private companies. Bradfield passed around a petition for the senate to sign. Jacobs said that she is pleased to see the academic senate is taking this up. Krochalk asked Fawver to explain the differences between the UC and the CSU. Fawver said that the CSU is controlled by the legislature in a way that the UC are not. Krochalk wanted the CSUDH senate to make a stronger statement akin to the UC position. Thomas shared a quote from the New York Times about SB 520 and lower rates of student success with online courses. Moore asked if the bill was passed what would the legal issues be. Fawver said that she was not certain about that and Bradfield said that there has been no discussion on this. Moore moved that exec draft a resolution in support of opposing SB 520. Fawver amended this motion so that the resolution includes a waiver of first reading. Niederman asked that the quote from the New York Times be included. Fawver said that it would be circulated next week and brought to the next senate meeting. There was a vote and all were in favor. MSP.

Senate Chair's Report-Jim Hill

Senate chair election: Please remind FT faculty in your department to vote.

I received one interesting e-mail from a PT faculty asking why they do not vote. This is a separate but related issue to the resolution being read today calling for a constitutional amendment to allow staff representation.

- I asked the provost for a summary of AA searches at present. As of yesterday:
 - Faculty: 13 already completed with acceptance; CPS searches & two in NBS are in progress.
 - MPP: CAH candidates are visiting this week; CEIE search is on track to finish this semester, as is the AVP of Faculty development.

- DMA: We have brought this up before. The Provost would like to hear "guidance" from Senate in the form of an actual vote of the sense of the senate.
- A couple upcoming things of which to be aware:
 - April 22nd (M): Senate exec and President's cabinet have a "joint retreat."
 - Next week: Statewide council of senate chairs.
- UDGE FTES... Last meeting, senate asked for a "small group" to meet and study the logistics of all options outlined in M. Maki's talk on the subject. The GE committee is interested to bring more people into the conversation and the full meeting has not been scheduled. *However*, I have been gathering data in some separate individual meetings. Here are some useful facts:
 - Any plan that moves courses from current units into others needs "part-time faculty to be protected." That includes entitlements, salary, and review. "Moving" entitlements is not something the CBA allows, but there is precedent for moving "years of service" between units with an MoU between the administration and CFA (and presumably the departments to which they would be moved). This would effectively create the entitlements and bring the salary base up. — *It could also have the unintended consequence* of entitling PT faculty who used to teach in an UDGE unit claiming entitlement over existing PT faculty for courses within their new department.
 - Paths that call for creation of "shadow units" (like the 5-letter prefixes) generally have "technical" issues with IT not because of the programming itself, but rather because of the bookkeeping & politics associated with uniform accounting to the CO.
 - I am meeting tomorrow with Tracey Haney to get details on catalog & reporting related issues for the various schemes. (Also including Yvette Nava regarding scheduling.)
- GE Area D & 120 units: Last meeting, the GE report recommended the possibility of changing the GE requirement for programs which cannot be reduced to under 120 units unless they are allowed to take one of "Area D1 OR D1" (The current requirement is one each of D1 AND D2.) There was significant discussion last week, including the statement that this must be considered by UCC. *[Turn over to MM]*

Hill asked the senate if the provost should give DMA department status. There was a discussion. Maki said that all criteria have been met and a review has been completed. Gasco said that this should be talked about and some policy developed. Kravchak wanted to express support and said that chairs have a serious workload issue. Pawar said that DMA was founded in 2001-02. The areas like Music, Art and Design and Theater all became departments but there is no clear reason DMA did not. Moore asked Exec to convey to the provost appreciation for consultation. Fawver raised concerns about the precedent set by the body voting on an issue

during the senate chair's report. She supported the DMA and is concerned about precedence and said the vote should be a one-time thing until a formal policy is in place. Gould moved that DMA receive department status. Fawver amended the motion so that vote would be a one-time, non-precedent setting action. Gould said that we are endorsing only and this is not a decision. There was a vote and all were in favor. **MSP.**

Maki reported that DH needs to decide what to do with departments that are having a difficult time meeting the 120 unit limit for different reasons. Monty objected strenuously to the Chair's request for action on this matter. Though he opposes the waiver as a matter of principle, his primary concern was procedural. This is a very slipshod approach to decision making. This clearly should have been included on the agenda as an action item, instead of something that evolved informally from the Senate Chair's report. This is unacceptable. Moore and Gasco agreed with Monty. Kravchack said he was worried that if we don't act, does the decision get turned over the chancellor's office? Maki said that we can live with bringing this up at the next senate meeting. Maki said that he has asked for an extension in the case of Music who will be submitting an exception form. Moore recommended that no decision be made until all information has been presented. Maki said that if we wait we are putting 4 or 5 departments at risk. Maki said that it is not the senate's fault. Maki said that we are taking about programs over 120 units. Monty said that he was willing to accept a proposal of bringing this issue back to senate in 2 weeks. Gasco said that if this conversation is about 3 units does anyone really think the chancellor's office will step in for 123 units—no. This is a big conversation and we have to have it. This is beyond the scope of the general education committee. Kalayjian said that there is a lot of work that went on behind the scenes and the high unit majors have tried to figure out how to double count or these 5 majors that need waivers. It does require a bigger discussion, but she supported that we agree to allow waivers to go forward temporarily. Moore asked if the temporary waiver was irreversible. Welch asked if the waiver only applies to majors over 120 units. Maki asked for a resolution that a temporary waiver of D1 and D2 be approved and in the meantime move proposals forward to UCC. Hill said to bring it back in 2 weeks.

Parliamentarian Report-Matt Jones-Jones reported that Hamoud Salhi was nominated to serve on the Search Committee for the Director of Facilities Planning. Hamoud Salhi was elected. **MSP.** Mary Lou Cappel was nominated to serve on the Search Committee for the AVP of Faculty Development. Mary Lou Cappel was elected. **MSP.** Jones said that we are putting together the call for nominations for a staff representative to serve on the academic senate. Jones noted that the senate chair election was underway. Jones said he sent to the deans a call for them to hold elections within the colleges for a rep to the newly created Academic Senate IT Committee. He said

that he has still only heard from CAH.

EPC Report-Jan Gasco-Gasco reported that her committee is reviewing how to move the FTES back to the departments of the faculty who teach the courses. They are working on gathering policies. Gasco said that by the end of the years they will have a completed report for the senate.

FPC Report-Hamoud Salhi-No Report

Statewide Senate-Pat Kalayjian-Kalayjian reported that the ASCSU sent a team to Sacramento to lobby mainly to prevent SB520.

CFA Report-David Bradfield-Bradfield reported that the CFA is extending chapter elections. He said that for these positions there is assigned time. Bradfield reported that lobby day was last Wednesday and they spoke about unit caps of 150 to 180. They are asking faculty to submit dear legislature letters. He said that most state employees get steps but the CSU employees do not. Bradfield reminded everyone that Chancellor White will be visiting the campus on April 23, and the CFA assembly will be in 2 weeks.

Open Forum-Reminder that Chancellor White will be visiting on April 23, 2013. Dales reported that there is a new exhibit in the Library and to please visit: Photographer, Robert Radin exhibit "A Beautiful World" in University Library Art Gallery, April 11-June 7th, 2013. Monty reported that administration is paying for faculty regalia and it needs to be ordered by April 12, 2013.

Meeting Adjourned