

Academic Senate
M I N U T E S
October 26, 2005
3:00 p.m. - BC214

Members Present: Blake Barron, Susan Broderick, Jane Brody, Jim Chesher, Esther Frankel, Jack Friedlander, Tom Garey, Peter Haslund, Ed Inks, Kelly Lake, Ray Launier, Kathy Molloy (Chair), Kim Monda, Marcy Moore, Elida Moreno, Kathy O'Connor, Peter Rojas, Jan Schultz, Sheri Shields, Laura Welby, Oscar Zavala, Joey Williams

Guest: Ignacio Alarcon (Curriculum Advisory Committee chair)

1.0 Call to Order (3:00-3:05)

- 1.1 Approval of Minutes – October 12, 2005 – so approved
- 1.2 Approval of Agenda – so approved

2.0 Information (3:05-3:15)

- 2.1 Kelly Lake has been appointed to the Academic Senate Regional Consortia for our area

A round of cheers and applause was heard at the announcement of Kelly Lake's appointment to the Regional Consortia.

- 2.2 Meeting schedule for November

Hearings would not be required for the replacement positions; these positions were approved without hearing. The Senate meeting schedule was adjusted. The November 2 meeting (for hearing replacement requests) has been changed to a Steering meeting and November 30 has been added as a Steering meeting.

- 2.3 Other

3.0 Hearing/Discussion (3:15-4:10)

- 3.1 2005-08 College Plan (handout)

Comment: Would like to see SBCC focus on developing a sense of community and social climate on campus.

Response: The Student Success Initiative Task Force is focusing on how to increase that element. Also, a major area of emphasis in the College Plan is the focus on student life. The results of continuing efforts are in the number of activities taking place and college clubs and campus center remodel. Some examples of new initiatives: a cyber center on the west campus to promote student life.

The formation of the new Multicultural/Diversity Committee was in response to the diverse needs of our students.

The College Plan ought to recognize the need for students to participate in citizenship and community. A possible way to achieve those objectives and goals would be through the development of strategic Student Learning Outcomes.

Could we explore the “greening” of the campus in this document?

3.2 Grievance Policy

There was no discussion held on the Grievance Policy at this meeting. A request was made to forward the most recent iteration to Peter Haslund and Gail Tennen via email. This may be ready for a vote at the December 7th meeting.

3.3 P and R recommendation on 2007 Summer Session (p 3-4)

P & R had very little enthusiasm for any of the proposed calendar options. The concerns focused mainly on the support area and the weighting of the cost vs enrollment benefits. P and R are recommending Option 1 (although out of sync with High School/Dual Enrollment program calendar) and Option 6.

Senators requested data on similar schools offering two summer sessions. There is overwhelming student support for the summer sessions. A suggestion from students would be to have a winter break session between fall and spring.

This fall our enrollment is up. Dual enrollment, PD courses and Distance learning enrollment has increased while High School is down. The concern: We are not growing in the core academic/vocational programs.

3.4 Replacement positions

M/S/C To move the replacement positions to action. The Library position was not included in the motion. (Broderick/Chesher) 1 abstention

Discussion surrounded the history of the current administrative position and how it evolved from faculty to admin and the current request to return it to a faculty position again. The concerns and questions focused on two major issues: the FTFO and how that would affect the current round of new/replacement position requests and hearings and whether this should be considered a new or replacement position. The consequence, if considered a new position, would mean one less current FTFO available. The FTFO is now set at four. It was determined that it was neither a replacement position nor a new position.

Another issue was if ever and when might/would this be counted towards future FTFO requests. The rules have changed since the Library position was a faculty member. Now there is AB 1725 and the FTFO regulations to adhere to. The funding history including current and future funding for the Library position was discussed.

John Romo would exempt the position from being counted toward the FTFO for one year.

The decisions:

- To not consider this as a faculty librarian position where administration would need to hire another administrative librarian.
- To consider it a faculty librarian position the Senate would need to be clear as to why this should be converted back to a non administrative

position and that there are no unforeseen ramifications/ implications.
Where this falls under faculty obligation should be discussed/debated.

Suggestion: Because the funds are already there and no new funding is being requested nor being taken away that this position go on in perpetuity - become an exempt position and that John Romo and Jack Friedlander sign off on that fact. Without such a guarantee the Senate would need to view it as an FTFO for next year.

Note: The funding for this position has been provided primarily through faculty funding with the remaining funds paid by the general fund.

M/S/C To move the Library position to a special hearing for consideration on whether to recommend this as a faculty position or not; and the Library position should not be placed with the new positions to be ranked (Garey/Haslund)

3.5 Sabbatical Leave Committee Recommendation (p 5)

A) Sabbatical Report – Diane Handloser (p 6-9)

The Sabbatical Leave Committee has recommended approval of Diane Handloser's report.

M/S To approve the recommendation of the Sabbatical Leave committee and approve Diane Handloser's Sabbatical Leave Report (Haslund/Schultz)

3.6 Proposition 76 – Should the Senate take a position?

We can do nothing or we can take a position. Concern: How many Senators really know how those we represent really feel about this and can we appropriately represent our constituency at this meeting on this issue? Suggestion: Take it back to your constituency/your Divisions for the purpose of engaging in a discussion. Santa Barbara City Schools has taken a position. Note: If this Proposition passes it would have an effect on the proposed Community College Initiative for Fall 06.

M/S/C That the academic Senate take the matter of Proposition 76 back to their constituencies/Divisions and to encourage discussion about the fiscal impact on our budget (Haslund/Garey)

4.0 Action

4.1 M/S/C To approve the first 8 contract faculty replacements – minus the Library position. (Broderick/O'Connor)

5.0 Reports (4:10-5:00)

5.1 Division reports on the Student Success Initiative

The Division Senators were requested to email their Division/Department plan.

5.2 Liaison Reports

Faculty Recognition-Laura Welby: All the award deadlines have been moved up by the state Senate office. Today was the Hayward Award deadline. The next deadline is the Stanback-Stroud Diversity Award.

Sabbatical Leave/Faculty Professional Development/Committee on Teaching and Learning-Susan Broderick: Thirteen proposals have been received and the evaluations process is underway. There is a probability that more than half will be funded. The next issue for the Sabbatical Leave committee: Review the 5% faculty funding rule and bring a recommendation to the Senate. The Faculty Professional Development are updating the website. FPD will be surveying faculty on their opinions of all faculty flex days and what activities faculty would like. How many hours constitutes committee service. CTL has been working on suggestions for the Student Success Initiative 1) extend student orientation to 2 -5 days 2) institutionalizing the tutorial system 3) instructional methods of improving student success

Academic Policies-Jim Chesher: working on the language of the faculty evaluation in the approved Job Description.

ITC/COI/CAC/DTC Kathy O'Connor: Instructional Technology Committee is completing their review of the Technology Plan and continue to pursue requests for new technology initiatives and replenish the two year no funding drought. Committee for Online Instruction - discussion on TLU and loading of online classes and are planning on distributing a survey soon. Curriculum Advisory Committee is completing work on the Information Competency / Computer Literacy language and plans are to forward it to the Senate by the end of the semester. DTC has established workgroups and are planning presentations on SCT/Banner.

5.3 I.V. Commission

The meetings have focused on the upcoming 4 day Halloween event. Parking will not be available throughout the center of Isla Vista. While many UCSB students are being allowed to park on campus due to the parking ban this privilege is not being extended to SBCC students that live in Isla Vista. During the Halloween event walkabouts will be each evening at 10 p.m. Another disparity was a personal mailing to all UCSB students living in the area with information on what was to happen during the Halloween event and SBCC students living in Isla Vista were not given that information. It was suggested that all city college students living in the area should also have received this information and that coordination of efforts to achieve that goal is needed.

5.4 President's Report

No report given.

5.5 EVP Report

No report given.

6.0 Adjourn