



**ACADEMIC SENATE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 28, 2012**

Approved 3-13-12

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

MH-141

Present: Bedell, Dabirian, Guerin, Fidalgo, Pasternack, Walicki, Walk, Walker

Absent: Randall, Stambough

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bedell called the meeting to order at 11:30 AM.

II. URGENT BUSINESS

None

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 3.1 (Walk) OCR investigators are on campus to investigate alleged Title IX violations in athletics.
- 3.2 (Pasternak) Bill Dickerson is featured online with Titan Radio each morning at 8:00 AM.
- 3.3 (Pasternak) Some claim that the smoking ban may not be enforceable since it is not state law.
- 3.4 (Walicki) Announced he will have a radio show beginning Friday, 3-10-12, at 4:30 PM on Titan Radio.
- 3.5 (Dabirian) A Task Force will be put together by Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer, Ephraim Smith, on libraries as multi-campus services. Senators Dabirian and Murray are members of this Task Force.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 4.1 EC Minutes (Draft) 2-21-12 – minutes will be moved to next agenda.

V. TIMES CERTAIN

11:45 AM

Topic: Reaffirmation of Student Success

Members had an engaged discussion regarding our core commitments and how to reaffirm them with the Academic Senate. Consideration of high impact practices and ways to connect research initiatives with student involvement will be important. Executive Committee members will consider action on a resolution to reaffirm our core commitments.

12:30 PM

Topic: WASC Visit: March 7, 8, 9, 2012

Discussant: Diana Guerin, WASC Team Member

Senate Executive Committee is scheduled to meet with the WASC Team on Thursday March 8, 2012, at 8:15 AM in SGMH 3230. Executive Committee will participate in a number of meetings during the WASC Team visit. We should also encourage our colleagues to go to the open faculty meeting on Wednesday, March 7th from 2:00 – 2:45 PM in SGMH 3230. Exec members should consider the following questions :
1) how have we institutionalized functions to promote student learning? 2) how does the Academic Senate play a role in improving student learning?

VI. CHAIR'S REPORT

None

VII. STAFF REPORT

None

VIII. LIAISON REPORTS

ASI Board of Directors [Dabirian] T, 2-28-12 1:15 – 3:30 PM, TSU No Report

Curriculum Committee [Guerin] F, 2-24-12 12:00 – 2:00 PM MH-141

UCC met briefly today to assign a member to review each new proposal (about 20). Each proposal is reviewed by one member who then presents his/her comments to the committee along with a recommendation. (Proposals are reviewed in conjunction with the requirements stated in the UPS on course outlines.) If there is a concern, then the course proposer is asked to meet with the committee to clear up any issues. Joe runs a tight ship!

Extended Education Committee [Pasternack] M, 2/27/2012 3:00-3:45 PM

The Committee met on February 27th from 3:00 to 3:45 pm. We changed the next meeting date from March 19th to April 9th due to the need to reschedule the February meeting. We discussed the Intersession schedule for this coming year. I reported on the issue that arose due to Smith/Brooks memo on pay periods and the apparent rule that intersession cannot overlap with the spring or fall terms. I mentioned that I raised this issue with the Commission on the Extended University and the response I received was that there was going to be a clarifying memo indicating that instruction could not overlap. I also mentioned that even if the memo was taken at face value, we could always start Intersession in December after final exams by hiring faculty under a special contract. It was reported that we will be running Intersession this year as we did last year with having both a Session A starting in December and a Session B starting in January.

I also gave a report on Cal State Online and raised the issue that state funds were being used to support self-support programs and how the initial emphasis on self-support online programs puts state-support online programs at a disadvantage. I also gave an update on the revision of UPS 411.104 that Executive Committee is working on. It was reported that so far there 39 applicants to the online BA in Business Administration and 43 applicants to the online BA in Sociology that will be starting in the fall. These two degree programs are self-support.

Sandra Perez-Linggi reported that she is working on development of an Intersession course that would be offered in Cuba. One possible topic could be piracy in the Caribbean. Melody Johnston reported that the Gender Studies Program is working on a one unit online class dealing with bullying that will be offered in the summer term. Melody also reported that Intersession and summer enrollments have been fairly constant over the past couple of years.

Faculty Affairs Committee [Bedell] F, 2-24-12, 12:00 AM -1:00 PM, LH-804

The Faculty Affairs Committee met this afternoon. There was a brief review of the Academic Senate meeting where their Office Hours policy was passed unanimously. Ms. Graboyes reviewed UPS 210.050 and 210.060 and indicated the need to consider modifications, to bring them in line with the CBA and possible consolidation. There are some of our UPS documents allegedly in conflict with the CBA and Dr. Faust is to brief the Committee. Much time was spent on the proposed revision to our on line policy. They want a track change document so they can compare the old with the new. They are awaiting what Ex does Tuesday on the proposed revisions and will meet next Friday to review and respond. They were told they have the month of March and that preferably the changed document hits the Academic Senate Floor the first meeting in April.

Student Academic Life Committee [Guerin] F, 2-24-12 9:00-10:00 AM

Committee is reviewing college plans to improve student engagement and providing feedback to each college. Colleges will be asked for an update no later than October 15. In 2012-13, departments will be asked to include student engagement plans in their annual reports.

Items will be moved to next Executive Committee agenda.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 9.1 PAB/AS Executive Committee Retreat – 4-10-12 Topics [Expand topics for discussion]

X. NEW BUSINESS

- 10.1 UPS 411.104 Policy on Online Instruction – Proposed revisions
10.2 General Committee Nominations – FPC, FRC, FLC
10.3 Statements of Opinion for All University Elections, Spring 2012 [BL 05-1 states to A.S. 3-20-12]
10.4 [UPS 100.610](#) Program Discontinuance [7-7-06]
10.5 [UPS 108.000](#) Visiting Scholars & Other Formal Delegations of Visitors from Abroad: Procedures for Invitations & Consideration for Hosting [Source: IEC]
10.6 GE Committee – Assessment and Recertification, Etc. [A.S. TC [10-13-11](#): GE Update]
10.7 Streamlining RTP Process
10.8 Update Mission and Goals
10.9 Statement on Professional Ethics

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.