

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FULLERTON

ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITEE MINUTES MAY 21, 2013

Approved 6-18-13

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

MH-141

Present: Bedell, Bonney, Bruschke, Dabirian, Matz, Pasternack, Randall, Stambough, Walker

Absent: Guerin
Guest: S. Garcia

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. URGENT BUSINESS

Chair Bedell reviewed an email communication from Senator Hickok outlining his concerns regarding the August 1st date for a smoke-free campus: A meeting will be requested between Executive Committee members Matz and Walker with Senator Hickok to discuss the ad hoc committee's ongoing progress toward the implementation date and soft-enforcement period in consideration of smokers as well as non-smokers, while ongoing education and cessation programs will be offered.

(Dabirian) Requested three faculty names for an upcoming search for Vice President for Academic Technology. Faculty will be asked to serve on this search committee to begin fall 2013, with an intended hire date before spring 2014.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Matz) Ms. Edna Turnbow, MCBE staff, has been awarded the financial position in the President's office.

(Pasternack) ASCSU passed a resolution calling for "the listing of all CSU online degree programs on the CalStateOnline websites."

(Bedell) The FDC Director search will be completed R, 5-23-13, as will the search for Vice President for Administration & Finance. All searches should be done by F, 5-24-13, 5:00 PM.

IV. TIME CERTAIN

12:00 NOON

Topic: Faculty Housing – University Heights

Discussant: Mr. Stephen G. García

Interim Vice President for Administration and Finance/CFO

Chair Bedell welcomed Mr. García to discuss the faculty housing controversy as well as to give an update for on the campus ban on smoking to go into effect 8-1-13.

Mr. García began with the current status of impending implementation of the smoking directive. By necessity, CSUF Administration is delaying release of information while presentations and negotiations are being made with one union and its membership. Notice was given 3-27-13, as well as involvement with the Chancellor's Office on 3-22-13. All but one union have been silent. A "meet and confer" is scheduled for 5-30-13. The committee is eager to move forward with efficacy, outreach, education, training, etc.; however, the process must be followed.

Mr. Garcia gave an overview of the unfortunate situation involving University Heights and the impact the down turn in the housing market had on University Heights which resulted in unhappy and disgruntled faculty. The University intention was to create an option of affordable housing for faculty who came into the area and create a sense of community. 16 homes were sold, 9 of which were sold directly to CSUF faculty/employees and 6 sold to outside educators. 26 homes were not sold. The rest of the homes had to be leased. There was a large difference between University Gables and University Heights in the land value itself. The University Gables land was purchased for \$1.00 from the city of Buena Park to assist them in their affordable housing requirements and to assist CSUF with their housing needs for faculty and staff. The land for University Heights was purchased at fair market value or at a cost of approximately \$4.8 million, which added a cost to all the homes that were built. The housing market took a down turn and construction costs went up, which resulted in higher home prices. The Housing Authority invested in homes that could not be sold as a result of the market

down turn and had to seek a construction loan for the houses that had been built and not sold. The loan was approximately \$14 million which was arranged through the California State University System. The homes could not be sold because construction costs increased from a target price of \$350K to actual price of \$490K - \$600K, depending on the model. The Housing Authority started leasing the popular, stylish homes that had been constructed and not sold to provide cash flow to pay for the construction loan. Most homes were leased out and, as a result, the Housing Authority had an extremely low vacancy rate. Negotiations are in progress between the Housing Authority with an outside investor that may purchase the property. The Housing Authority is still on the hook for an additional 99 year annuity that has to be paid for 99 years at a value of \$1.5 million to the Elks Lodge because a premium was paid for the land, including building the Elk's Lodge for approximately \$4 million. If the Housing Authority sells the University Heights project, approximately \$11 million dollars will be paid, which leaves approximately \$3 to \$4 million that the Housing Authority still has to pay above the selling price. The Housing Authority has minimal assets and as a result, the Auxiliary Services Corporation would have to make up the difference, which would affect other areas that ASC funds such as research.

Regarding report back to the Academic Senate, the Executive Committee sees no need for a resolution at this time. The Chair's Report will include a statement about University Heights, and the meeting with VP García. The EC supports full and open transparency on all matters, engaging in collegial conversations. Given the rising housing market, the EC sees no need to rush into selling the property to a 3rd party.

Chair Bedell thanked Mr. García for his willingness to meet with Executive Committee.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES No minutes.

VI. CHAIR'S REPORT (Bedell)

Chair Bedell reported on his meeting with President García yesterday, 5-20-13, and shared items discussed. Specifically on recruitment, quality of faculty should lead before diversity. Other items for this report:

- Nothing has been received from Provost Cruz regarding the joint letter strengthening shared governance (reference 5-14-13 *time certain*).
- Chair's Report #9 should go out tomorrow (5-22-13).
- Maribel Ramos will be honored at HSS commencement, and a posthumous degree will be conferred.
- In order to balance the Retreat Committee, we are awaiting the names from Provost Cruz before selecting/asking faculty to serve.

VII. STAFF REPORT No report.

VIII. COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

ASI Board of Directors [Stambough] The final meeting of ASI BofD was held T, 5-14-13. There is a special meeting scheduled for 5-28-13.

Academic Standards Committee [Bonney] F, 5-17-13 1:00-1:00 PM Meeting Cancelled

<u>Planning, Resource, & Budget Committee</u> [Walker] F, 5-17-13 12:30-2:30 PM, PLS-299 University Mission & Goals Initiatives (UMGI) will return in the recommendations memo to the President.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 9.1 ASD 13-101 Resolution Reaffirmation of Commitment to Shared Governance [Source: Provost/EC] This item is pending receipt of Provost Cruz submitting his recommendations for a joint memo.
- 9.2 Standing Committee Vacancies.

 The item was discussed following *III. Announcements* to be sure discussion for faculty to be asked to serve on standing committees would move forward so names could be added to the consent calendar of A.S. Electoral Agenda 5-23-13.

X. NEW BUSINESS

- 10.1 ASD 13-112 Proposed Resolution Regarding SB 520 [Source: Exec Com]

 This item will be added to the A.S. Marathon Agenda 5-23-13 under Consent Calendar.
- 10.2 ASD 13-110 Program Proposal Minor in Health Professions [Source: PRBC] UCC unanimously passed this proposal via email. EC members agreed to add this item to the A.S. Marathon Agenda 5-23-13 under Consent Calendar.
- 10.3 ASD 13-118 UPS Faculty Leadership in Collegial Governance Award [Source: Exec Com] (Pasternack) suggested a friendly amendment. Item will be added with friendly amendment to the Marathon Agenda 5-23-13 under Consent Calendar.

- 10.4 ASD 13-119 UPS 294.000 L. Donald Shields Excellence in Scholarship and Creativity Award This item will be added to the A.S. Marathon Agenda 5-23-13 under Consent Calendar
- ASD 13-122 Proposed Revisions to Functions of Faculty Affairs Committee in Bylaws [Source: Exec Com There was discussion of this proposed revision to return FAC itemized functions to the bylaws. These delineated functions were removed 2011 with the understanding that each was covered under FAC functions "give information and policy recommendations to the Academic Senate on policies affecting faculty rights and welfare." Members agreed to add ASD 13-122 to the A.S. Marathon Agenda 5-23-13 as a *First Reading* item. A.S. will receive feedback this year. Item will be referred to Faculty Personnel Committee for input in fall 2013; however, FPC's role is to review files, not make rules. Item will be taken up under "New Business" early fall 2013.
- 10.6 ASD 13-120 Revised] UPS 100.600 Procedures for the Establishment of University Departments [Source: PRBC/UCC] [AKA: ASD 09-58] President Hagan returned unsigned "Not Approved" 5-15-12. Further discussion needed regarding a specific number of faculty members needed for establishment of University Departments.
 - This item was forwarded to Executive Committee by both University Curriculum Committee and PRBC with different recommendations. ASD 13-120 will be added to the A.S. Marathon Agenda 5-23-13 under New Business.
- 10.7 ASD 13-123 UPS 412.010 Honors Programs [Source: Honors Board]
 This item will be added to the A.S. Marathon Agenda 5-23-13 under New Business.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 1:10 PM.