

Academic Senate
MINUTES
March 9, 2005
 3:00 p.m. - BC214

Members Present: Blake Barron, Barbara Bell, Susan Broderick, Jim Chesher, Esther Frankel, Tom Garey, Peter Haslund (Chair), Mary Lawson, Tom Mahoney, Petra Malinova, Kathy Molloy, Marcy Moore, Kathy O'Connor, Peter Rojas, Jan Schultz, Sheri Shields, Laura Welby

Absent: Jack Friedlander, Kim Monda, Elida Moreno

Guests: Jenny King-*The Channels*, Janet Shapiro

1.0 Call to Order

1.1 Approval of Minutes – February 23, 2004

M/S/C To approve the Minutes of the Academic Senate, 3-9-05 (Chesher/Frankel)

1.2 Approval of Agenda – so approved

2.0 Information

2.1 Reception for newly tenured faculty, EVP's office, 3-17-05 at 3:00 p.m. Deans, FEC chair, newly tenured faculty and their Department chairs, and Senate President are invited. Newly tenured faculty are: Cynthia Bower, Catherine Carroll, Stephen DaVega, David Elliott, Linda Lowell, Jason Miner, Bronwen Moore, Lou Spaventa, Michael Stinson, Rossette Strandberg, and Melanie Eckford-Prossor.

2.2 Lecture by Professor Robert O. Collins: Sudan & Darfur, 3-11-05, BC Forum 1:15 p.m. Professor Collins, ret. UCSB, is an expert on Sudan and Darfur, and will be giving a lecture in the BC Forum this Friday. All are welcome.

2.3 Concern expressed about increasing number of returning Vets. As a general concern this item was presented as a means of soliciting input if anyone observes someone in need of special attention. Comments:

- Excellent students and mature beyond their years - responsible
- Where might they be directed for someone to talk to?

2.4 Blake Barron, Division Rep for Sciences, announced the sudden passing of Richard Armstrong, a long-time faculty member in the Biological Sciences department, and thanked everyone for their condolences. The college-wide memorial scheduled for Richard will be announced once plans are finalized.

2.5 Academic Senate Area C meeting announcement: The Area C meeting will be held at Pasadena City College on March 19.

3.0 Hearing/Discussion

3.1 Policy 1900–revision re: EVP's role in signing off on increased load

#1910 is the only section recommended for change from the previously approved revisions.

After further review the recommendations were as follows:

- Revise Paragraph A - change 18 TLUs to 21 TLUs
- Eliminate Paragraph B

- Paragraph C becomes Paragraph B
- Paragraph D becomes Paragraph C

M/S To approve the recommended revision for section #1910 of Policy #1900 with paragraph changes (Garey/Chesher)

3.2 AAUP Statement – Jim Chesher

The question was raised: To whom/where should this go?

- Post it on the website
- Attach it to the Faculty Freedom of Expression policy (which establishes rights) as an expression of the corresponding responsibilities.

Suggestion: Provide all faculty members, including adjunct, with this information. Have the Senate and HRLA create guidelines for what the information packet should contain for new and existing faculty. Send suggestions for the contents of the packet to Senate President for the next meeting.

Recommendation: Have the Board approve and include/append it to the Academic Freedom Policy.

Concern: If this is adopted, someone could argue that the policy had been violated, which may result in it leading to disciplinary action. Would this document better serve as a ‘philosophy of responsibilities’ for faculty rather than an official policy?

Suggestion: Submit to HRLA for input on the implications of having the statement be part of policy, as opposed to a philosophical, non-policy statement.

M/S To adopt/endorse the AAUP statement as policy and/or a statement of philosophy (Chesher/Molloy)

3.3 Faculty Award of the Month – Mary Lawson

The Faculty Recognition Committee on March 4, 2005 recommended the following recipients for the Faculty Award of the Month (aka FAM): Carol Diamond, Gerry Lewin, Peter Naylor, Kathy O’Connor, Jerry Pike, and Rosette Strandberg.

M/S/C To move this item to Action (Garey/Baron)

4.0 Action

4.1 Faculty Enrichment Committee: Recommendation for By-Laws Change

The Committee recommends the name be changed to: Faculty Professional Development Committee (FPDC). They are also recommending an adjustment to the “Functions and Responsibilities” and “Membership” sections.

M/S/C To approve the Faculty Enrichment Committee’s recommendation for the By-Laws change, including the Committee’s name to: FPDC, the Faculty Professional Development Committee (Garey/Schultz)

4.2 Sabbatical Leave Recommendations

Information missing from previous list: Dean Nevins – Abstract and Summary of Expected Outcomes (pgs 17-18)

M/S/C To approve the Sabbatical Leave Committee’s Fall 05–Spring 06 recommendations for Jan Anderson, Christopher Bates, Barbara Bell, Charles Grogg,

Susan Mantyla, Dean Nevins, Michele Peterson and Curtis Solberg
(Frankel/Broderick)

4.3 Faculty Award of the Month (FAM) Fall 05-Spring 06

M/S/C To adopt the Faculty Recognition Committee's FAM recommendations for Fall 2005 and Spring 2006. The recipients are: Carol Diamond; Gerry Lewin; Peter Naylor, Kathy O'Connor; Jerry Pike, and Rosette Strandberg.
(Frankel/Garey)

5.0 Reports

5.1 President's Report

A) IV Action Group

Once Chancellor Yang has had an opportunity to review and make recommendations, the final report from the three co-chairs of the Isla Vista Work Group will be available. The report should be viewed as UCSB taking responsibility to affect a change in the culture of Isla Vista rather than assigning the University any blame. As a reminder to all that the death of an SBCC student was the impetus for the formation of the group, the student is mentioned throughout the report.

B) Parking Work Group

Tom Mahoney has agreed to be chair of the Parking sub-committee. The purpose of the sub-committee is to review suggestions and make recommendations concerning parking. The role of the temporary sub-committee is a supportive one, offering suggestions and recommendations to those in authority. It is not a faculty responsibility to create a plan.

C) CPC Status

The CPP reports are in the hearing stage in CPC, where each area of the college is proposing ways that great efficiency could be achieved and/or revenues could be generated. The proposals will be ranked according to:

- Which recommendations can be done immediately
- Which recommendations need further study/investigation
- Which recommendations are not going to be implemented in the near future

D) Grievance process review

A meeting with the sub-committee members will be held March 18, 2004, in DM 134 at 2:30 p.m. The recommendation that went forward from the initial meeting was that there be agreement on a set of principles:

- Ideally streamline the various grievance procedures/policies into a single policy
- If there needs to more than one policy, they must be consistent and not contradictory to each other, as is currently the case
- Use clear language

The goal is to have a substantive policy that focuses on the problems identified/observed in the past.

E) Hayward Award

Peter Haslund reported that he was in attendance at the Board of Governor's Hayward award ceremony in Sacramento last Monday, as one of the award's recipients.

5.2 Committee Liaison Reports

A) Evaluation of 16 week calendar – Jan Schultz

An initial evaluation of the 16-week calendar is complete, and their recommendation was forwarded to the senate. Student surveys were collected last spring, as part of the original implementation agreement that the new calendar would be evaluated in 2 years. P&R compiled a summary of the results, and based on favorable comments from the survey, P&R feels no further evaluation is necessary.

Another item P&R is working on is the 6-week intersession. All Divisions have been contacted and the consensus is that the intersession is universally unacceptable to most of the faculty. A report should be available within the next few weeks.

P&R is now requesting Division input about the committee restructuring proposal.

B) Disciplines List Review – Kathy O'Connor

It was reported that the new CAC chair selection process has been completed. Ignacio Alarcon was elected CAC chair for three years beginning Fall 05.

M/S/C That the Academic Senate endorse the CAC's selection and recommendation of Ignacio Alarcon as chair for three years beginning Fall 05 (Schultz/Bell)

Please review the additions/revisions requests to the Disciplines/Minimum Qualifications list. Every three years, the State Academic Senate gives faculty an opportunity to make additions to the list or revise existing information. If you disagree with any of the recommendations or if you want to endorse a proposal please send comments (on or before 4/4/05) to Kathy O'Connor, who will be your voting representative regarding these additions/revisions requests to the list. Please review the information with your Divisions and advise them of the implications and importance of this information.

C) ITC report – Kathy O'Connor

Re: Final Recommendations for Procedure for replacement of Computers

This procedure was developed through consultation with ITC & DTC. Even though procedure and process guidelines have been developed for departments to follow in choosing and requesting computers, ITC had recommended that faculty should be able to choose any platform. The DTC/ITC recommends and approves the following (from handout):

1. If you have a PC and wish to have PC replacement, it will automatically occur when it is time for renewal, to be handled through IRD.
2. If you have a MAC and wish a MAC replacement, it will automatically occur when it is time for renewal, to be handled through IRD.
3. If you have a PC and wish a MAC, a justification based on instructional need, will have to be submitted to ITC who then decides on a case-by-case basis.
4. If you have a MAC and wish a PC replacement, notify your ITC rep of the requested change and the change will take place when there is an automatic renewal of your computer.

D) New Guidelines: FE Committee – Janet Shapiro

The proposed guidelines (dated 3/3/05) from the FPDC were handed out. Because this is a substantive change, it has been brought to the Senate before implementation. The request/proposal is also for an ongoing editing process, to allow for an open and flexible environment, by allowing changes to be made to the online guidelines for immediate referral and then submit the changes as an information item to the Academic Senate.

The substantive change: The reference to the number of hours per day that can be credited toward professional development. The District cannot require faculty to do more than 6 hours per day. The District has the freedom to allow/decide what regulations are put in place regarding limits on hours per day – for example - if faculty chooses to go beyond the current 6 hours. The proposed change: to allow faculty attending all day conferences to claim all the hours rather than just the 6 currently allowed. Clarifications, concerns, revisions and requests once guidelines are approved should go directly to the FPDC chair.

Areas in need of clarification:

- 1) FPD credit for Curriculum Development – routine vs major development (K. O’Connor to draft recommendations)
- 2) FPD for learning new software products (E. Frankel to draft recommendation).

E) Student Success sub-committee – Kathy Molloy

The CTL sub-committee has met three times to review a number of proposals. Department chairs were asked to respond to questions such as:

- What do you see as problems that stand in the way of some of your students in terms of them being successful?
- If resources were not a problem what would you like to see to help address some of those problems?

Responses from the Department chairs will be helpful in realizing if these issues are being targeted.

Concern: What happens after the proposals are ready for recommendation?

The goal, for the Student Success sub-committee, is to identify successful practices at SBCC and recommend that the “best practices” be adopted from our successes rather than implement the recommendations/plan from another campus.

6.0 Adjourn