

Draft Minutes
CCSF ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
Ocean Avenue Campus, Rosenberg 518
Wednesday, November 8, 2006

Council Members Present: João Barretto, Loren Bell, Monica Bosson, Rosemary Brinson, Beth Cataldo, Fred Chavaria, Ophelia Clark, Mark Fan, Christine Francisco, Maria Heredia, Christopher Kox, David Lisker, Billington Mbolo, Rodolfo Padilla, Muriel Parenteau, Francine Podenski, Fred Teti, Pierre Thiry, Melinda Weil

Council Members Absent: Sunny Clark, Suzanne Lo, Edgar Torres

I. Call to Order

The Academic Senate Executive Council meeting came to order at 2:36 p.m.

II. Adoption of Agenda

Council adopted the agenda.

III. Approval of October 25, 2006 Minutes

Council approved the minutes.

IV. Officers' Reports

- A. President Teti distributed a written report listing various issues, events, and announcements. He drew attention to (1) the Chancellor's response to the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Offices report which includes two new associate deans for which care will be taken to ensure that policy is followed as regards retreat rights; and (2) the Chancellor's new draft of the Proposal for a Dean of Diversity and Student Equity.
- B. 1st Vice President Fred Chavaria discussed the methods by which the information regarding committee membership, composition, and effectiveness was gathered and expanded. He presented the 2006-07 Goal Group intentions to the Board of Trustees at their last meeting.
- C. Teti presented a special report on his attendance at the ASCCC Fall 2006 Plenary Session. He detailed the critical voting results in addition to presentations and breakout sessions he attended. Council discussed anticipated problems if the ASCCC successfully seeks Title 5 changes to (1) require one-level-below-English 1A as a pre-requisite for all transfer-level courses and (2) disallow students to satisfy major requirements with CSU G.E. and IGETC.

V. Committee Appointments

Resolution 2006.11.08.01: Shared Governance Committee Appointments

Resolved, that the Academic Senate Executive Council approve the shared governance committee appointments, as recommended by the Committee on Committees.

Moved: Fred Chavaria; seconded: Monica Bosson; motion carried unanimously.

VI. Unfinished Business

A. Goal Groups

1. G.E. Graduation Requirements

Loren Bell is organizing a meeting schedule for members.

2. Enhancing Faculty Diversity

Rodolfo Padilla has arranged a schedule for meetings and collected articles to inspire and focus discussion.

3. Effective Senate Communication

Teti is moderating an email discussion among members.

B. Update: Senate Shared Governance Appointment Policy

Resolution 2006.11.08.02: Senate Shared Governance Appointment Policy

Resolved, persons who do not fulfill the definition of faculty for the purpose of Governance appointments be allowed to serve as resource persons on unlimited shared governance committees.

Moved: Francine Podenski; seconded: Fred Chavaria; motion carried unanimously.

C. Second Reading: Resolution on Faculty Notification of Meetings

Discussion focused on including language to ensure that that scheduling of open meetings not be at times inaccessible to faculty, on providing immediate faculty response to college issues of concern, on the details of reasonable notification and on avoiding conflict vis a vis a typical faculty schedule.

D. Update: Student Learning Outcomes Task Force

Teti presented the SLO Task Force draft goals; Council suggested an addition to address the concerns of faculty regarding perceived negative effects of required SLOs.

VII. New Business

A. First Reading: Academic Freedom Statement in the Catalog

The Academic Policies Committee recommends that the Academic Freedom policy statement from the San Francisco Community College District Policy Manual, with legal authority based on sections of the California Education Code and of Title 5, be printed in its entirety in the CCSF Catalog. Concern was expressed regarding the vagaries of certain language in the statement. Council asked Teti to return the statement to the Academic Policies Committee for revision consistent with the intentions of the statement.

B. Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs (VCAA): Draft Job Announcement and Search Committee

The announcement requires that the applicant have at least three years of teaching experience; it no longer includes the phrase "or the equivalent." Council approved the job announcement. Council discussed Chancellor Day's request that the VCAA search committee consist of a different complement of faculty, classified, and administration (and include a student) than that required by the Administrator Hiring Procedures Agreement. Serious concern was expressed regarding changing the composition of search committees in the administrator hiring document with no demonstrated evidence of dysfunction, the exigencies of a search committee being difficult for a student to fulfill, and the process by which to address changing the hiring document.

Resolution 2006.11.08.03: Administrator Hiring Procedures Agreement

Resolved, the Academic Senate reaffirm the search committee composition within the Administrator Hiring Procedures Agreement and request that further emendations be brought forward as proposed modifications to the document, not as single exceptions.

Moved: Francine Podenski; seconded: Melinda Weil; motion carried.

VIII. Committee Reports

A written report from the College Advisory Council was distributed.

IX. Adjournment

Council adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Melinda L. Weil
Academic Senate Secretary