Academic Senate
M I N U T E S
April 13, 2005
4:00 p.m. - BC214

Members Present: Blake Barron, Barbara Bell, Susan Broderick, Jim Chesher, Esther Frankel, Jack Friedlander, Tom Garey, Peter Haslund (Chair), Mary Lawson, Tom Mahoney, Petra Malinova, Kathy Molloy, Marcy Moore, Elida Moreno, Kathy O’Connor, Peter Rojas, Sheri Shields
Members Absent: Kim Monda, Jan Schultz, Laura Welby
Guests: Charles Grogg, Jenny King-The Channels, John Romo, Art Olguin, Leif Skogberg, Laurie Vasquez

1.0 Call to Order
1.1 Approval of Minutes – March 23, 2005
M/S/C To approve the Minutes of the Academic Senate, 3-23-05 (Garey/Chesher)

1.2 Approval of Agenda – so approved

2.0 Information
2.1 Proposed Bond Measure – John Romo
This is a follow up from the last Senate meeting where President Romo announced the possibility of going forward with a Bond campaign. He reiterated that the Executive Council and College Planning Council have started brainstorming about what might be considered. The broad categories/areas under consideration are:

- East Campus
  - SOMA – everything related to the School of Media Arts
  - SCAHM (School of Culinary Arts and Hotel Management) – possible expansion once Journalism vacates to SOMA bldg.
  - International Education Center – creating a Global Studies center
  - La Playa Stadium
    - Press box
    - Stadium improvements
  - Pershing Park baseball facility
  - Humanities Building
  - Physical Science Building

- West Campus expansion and upgrading
  - Classrooms, LRC/Library
  - Drama/Music infrastructure and improvements
  - Garvin Theatre infrastructure

- Wake and Schott Center – replacement/renovation of substandard facilities
- Kinko’s Learning Center
- Equipment – substantial consideration should be give to this area
- Student Success Program
The next step: At a special study session on 5/21 the BOT will determine if the Bond measure is something they would want to consider. The decision will depend partly on the extent to which faculty, staff, and administration are supportive of such a measure.

A quick survey will be conducted. The results will be presented to the BOT at the 5/21/05 session where the question of another bond initiative will be settled.

President Romo requested the Senate to set aside some time on the agenda for a focus group discussion about the proposed bond initiative. The results of the discussion will be presented to the Board of Trustees at the special 5/21/05 study session.

2.2 Announcement: Kim Monda, English department senator, has given birth to her son Leo.

2.3 Kathy Molloy and Kathy O’Connor attended the State Academic Senate Spring Plenary Session, held April 7 through April 9, in San Francisco. The resolution requiring college level English composition and intermediate algebra as the math minimum for an Associate Degree carried. For the resolution to go into effect, a Title V language change would be required by the state legislature. A written report on the Spring Plenary Session will be available for the next meeting.

2.4 President Haslund announced that he presided over the annual meeting of The Western Collegiate Model United Nations in Oxnard last week, April 6 through April 10 and that the Santa Barbara City College team had, for the first time, won the first place Distinguished Delegation Award.

2.5 The EVP reported that all faculty positions have been filled, with the exception of one, and that the successful applicants are all outstanding.

2.6 Tom Garey reported the play Real Women Have Curves held in the Garvin Theatre is sold out - including the added performances. There is a wait list only.

3.0 Hearing/Discussion

3.1 Faculty Job Description – Charles Grogg

AP chair Charles Grogg reported that the committee considered language in the current District Policy; “Performance Criteria for Faculty Evaluation”; and other documents and attempted to make the language and directives in all the documents as consistent as possible. The committee consulted with Sue Ehrlich, an IA attorney, and an independent attorney and learned that no legal parameters existed for creating or revising a job description. That all authority, what to include/exclude, rests with the individual districts.

COMMENT: AP should be commended on the extensive work they have done, and in particular the time and effort put in by Elizabeth Hodes and Art Olguin.
Hearing/Discussion: to be continued.

3.2 CPP Process: How do we assure that faculty input can be received and taken into account?

Suggestion:
- Post the chart on the Senate website minus the far right column.
- Use the Bulletin Board for discussion/comments.
- Give to dept. chairs for discussion at their meeting on 4/15
- Division Senators – contact their colleagues
- Send copy to Senators via email
- Post information in Adjunct Newsletter
- Plenary Session Issue?
- Invite those with questions/suggestions to the next Senate meeting

Proposed timeline per John Romo: Before semester end, to get a clear sense of those items that could be underway immediately and items that would require further study and begin that process.

3.3 ITC Recommendation on Technology Renewal

The handout is a reaction to and addressed concerns about the recommendation/development to eliminate the replacement/renewal budget.

ITC voted to accept the DTC workgroup recommendation. The ITC is requesting that the Academic Senate endorse the DTC workgroup recommendations and the extension of the replacement cycle for fiscal year 2005/2006.

4.0 Action

4.1 AAUP Statement: Jim Chesher

M/S/C To append the AAUP statement of philosophy to the Academic Freedom Policy #2520 (Chesher/Garey)

The intent is not for the AAUP statement of philosophy to become policy.

4.2 Faculty Lecturer subcommittee: Request for Rule change re: committee membership and Faculty Lecturer subcommittee Guidelines

M/S/D To adopt and approve the FL subcommittee recommendation (Garey/Barron) Unanimous

M/S/C To make a friendly amendment to retain the non-voting Senate Liaison on the FL subcommittee (Molloy/O’Connor) 10 aye 3 nay

4.3 Resolution on Sustainability Proposal: Request for support from student coalition (previous agenda)

M/S/C To commend the students on the “Sustainability” project and the work they are doing and the goals they have set for the college. While the Academic Senate cannot adopt this as a body the Academic Senate would like to offer their services on a consultation basis on how these types of proposals are moved within the institution (Garey/Barron)
Academic Senate does not feel competent to move outright support because of the fiscal limitations within the proposal. The Steering committee however, would be quite pleased to meet with the Student Sustainability Coalition and strategize on how to move this item forward.

Leif Skogberg, recently honored in Sacramento, commented that it was on the advice of President Romo that the Coalition obtain the support of the Academic Senate before proceeding to the Board of Trustees with the model sustainability project proposal.

4.4 M/S/C To extend the Academic Senate meeting (O’Connor/Lawson)

5.0 Reports

5.1 President’s Report
A) Chancellor’s Office Survey re: 75/25 Rule and Senate President’s response
An updated version of the survey was distributed. For clarification: The Academic Senate President responded to question 8 only in the survey.

5.2 EVP Report
A) Growth figures for next year from the Chancellor’s office are much less than 3%. The goals may still be met through creative Student Success efforts. The EVP strongly recommended that faculty be engaged in the conversation and what process should be in place for that dialog to begin.
B) The 6-wk Winter Intersession. A lot of creative thinking and a number of good alternatives have emerged. Conversation/dialog needs to be sustained and alternatives should be brought forth.

5.3 Committee Liaison Report
A) P&R: Recommendation re: 6-week Winter Intersession
P&R has recommended to not endorse the proposal to add a winter intersession, but instead to explore other options to enhance enrollment.

The dialog has been healthy and has resulted in a number of alternatives that might be explored.
B) Faculty Working group on Student Success – Kathy Molloy (pgs 21-27)
The committee has made great stride and crafted alternative strategies for student success. The committee’s efforts are to be commended.
C) Sabbatical Leave Committee Proposal – on BOT agenda for approval

6.0 Adjourn