

THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
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Members Present: Mike Botwin, Michael Caldwell, Jacinta Amaral, Jeronima Echeverria, Gena Gechter, Mackee Mason (student), Harald Schweizer, President Welty.

Members Absent: Manuel Figueroa (excused), Lynn Williams (excused).

Visitors: S. Hayes, C. Leimer, B. Tsukimura.

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m. by Chair Botwin in the University Center, Room #203.

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of 9/22/08.
2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as amended to add a new item 5. Academic Senate Committee Interest and Expertise Form. and a new item 6. Access to Excellence Accountability Plan and renumber the remaining item accordingly.
3. Communications and Announcements. (Anyone wishing a copy of the items distributed or discussed, please contact the Academic Senate Office).

Information Item

- A. A memorandum (9/16/08) from Jeri Echeverria, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs & James Kus, Chair University Budget Committee, c: to Michael Botwin, Chair, Academic Senate, re: Ad Hoc Committee on Salary Differentials, has been received.

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- B. President Welty commented on the AT&T Foundation Road to College Tour grant that will enable our campus to collaborate with FUSD in encouraging high students to attend college. He also commented on the success on many fronts at the UCLA game.
- C. Provost Echeverria noted passed around an item from the Chancellor's Office regarding Clarification of CSU Plans for Expanding Career and Technical studies. In addition, the search committee for the Dean of Health and Human Services is almost underway.

Action Item

- D. A memorandum (9/15/08) from Dr. Jeri Echeverria, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, to Michael Botwin, Chair, Academic Senate, re: Discontinuation of Bachelors of Vocational Education (BVE), was received.

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- E. A memorandum (9/15/08) from Dr. Jeri Echeverria, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, to Michael Botwin, Chair, Academic Senate, re: Proposed Health Science Department Name Change, was received.

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- 4. Policy on Market-Based Salary Increases (APM 330).

The Committee briefly discussed the policy.

MSC to approve the Policy on Market-Based Salary Increases (APM 330) and forward to the Academic Senate.

- 5. Academic Senate Committee Interest and Expertise Form.

A brief discussion regarding format took place. The Committee consented to using the document for future committee assignments only.

- 6. Access to Excellence Accountability Plan.

The Committee discussed the document, at length. The Committee expressed serious reservations regarding challenges in reporting,

lack of Institutional Research consultation, lack of specificity regarding the methodology for selecting “menu” items, a failure to define system-wide understanding of terminology and measurement, and the absence of language regarding representative selection, rather than institutional-wide reporting. Chair Botwin will draft several paragraphs in response.

7. Executive Session.

There were no Executive Session items.

MSC to adjourn at 4:34 p.m.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be announced and an Agenda will be distributed prior to the meeting.

Submitted by:

Michael Caldwell
Recording Secretary
Academic Senate

Approved by:

Michael Botwin
Chair
Academic Senate