

**April 18, 2012**

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO: Members of the Academic Senate**

**FROM:** Dawn Lewis, Vice Chair  
Academic Senate

**RE: Academic Senate Agenda – April 23, 2012**

There is a meeting of the Academic Senate scheduled for Monday, April 23, 2012 at 4:00 p.m., in the **Library Auditorium, Room #2206.**

*~(APM) Attachments are on the Academic Senate Website~*  
<http://www.csufresno.edu/senate/committees/index.shtml>

**AGENDA**

1. Approval of the Agenda.
2. Approval of the Minutes of 4/9/12.
3. Communication and Announcements.
4. Installation of New Senators
5. Election–Nominations–Nominating/Elective Committee
  - A. Chair/Vice Chair–Academic Senate (Nominating/Elective Ballot).
  - B. Executive Committee Member Statewide (Nominations from the floor).  
Executive Committee Member-At-Large – two positions (Nominations from the floor).
6. New Business.
7. Academic Senate Resolution on Cohort Hiring Through the Office of the Provost–Resolution–Continued Second Reading
8. Resolution in Support of UC Davis Students and Faculty Right to Peaceably Assemble–Second Reading.
9. General Education Writing Requirements–General Education Committee.
10. Resolution on Branding of California State University, Fresno–Jacinta Amaral.
11. APM 327 Policy on Promotion–Personnel Committee.
12. APM 206 Policy on Technology–Mediated Courses and Programs–Academic Policy & Planning Committee.
13. APM 243 Policies and Procedures for Student Academic Petitions Committee–Academic Policy and Planning Committee.

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14. Proposal for Online Masters of Business Administration Program–Graduate Committee.
15. Certificate of Advanced Study in Homeland Security Programs–Graduate Committee.
16. Posthumous Degree Policy-Student Affairs Committee
17. APM 361 Policy on Faculty Leaves of Absence-Allocation of Sabbatical Leaves-Personnel Committee

**Senators who wish to make amendments, additions, OR deletions to documents being discussed on the Academic Senate Agenda SHOULD please make changes in writing.**

4. **Installation of New Senators**

The next page contains the list of newly elected Department Senators, Re-elected Department Senators, and Department Vacancies.

**The installation of Senators is the official beginning of their terms in office. Upon installation of new Senators, Outgoing Senators will no longer be able to vote.**

### **NEW SENATORS**

Meta Schettler  
Africana & American Indian Studies

Pat Waer  
Athletics

Santanu Maitra  
Chemistry

Lloyd Crask  
Construction Management Program

Dr. Sarah Lam  
Counseling & Special Education  
Rehabilitation

Gregory Kriehn  
Electrical & Computer Engineering

Arun Nambiar  
Industrial Technology

James Taylor  
Information System Decision Sciences

Hiromi Kubo  
Library

Jia Wang  
Management

Michael G. Jenkins  
Mechanical Engineering

Ray Hall  
Physics

Dr. Laura Meyer  
Art & Design

### **RE-ELECTED SENATORS**

Walter Dodd  
Anthropology

Susan Schlievert  
Curriculum & Instruction

Lynn Williams  
Agricultural Business

John Wakabayashi  
Earth & Environmental Sciences

Barlow Der Mugrdechian  
Armenian Studies

Michael Botwin  
Psychology

Rebecca Raya-Fernandez  
Student Services Prof-AR

### **DEPARTMENT VACANCIES**

Aerospace  
Educational Research & Administration  
Mass Communications & Journalism  
Military Science  
Music  
Public Health  
Social Work Education

5. **ELECTION - NOMINATIONS** - Nominating/Elections Committee.

A Statement of Qualifications is attached below for the positions Chair and Vice Chair of the Academic Senate.

- A. As a result of the Nominating Petition distributed to the Academic Assembly, the following individuals have been nominated for the position of Chair and Vice Chair:

**CHAIR:** Lynn Williams (Jordan College of Agricultural Sciences and Technology)

**VICE CHAIR:** Kevin J. Ayotte (Arts & Humanities)

**Note: If no one else is nominated, then the two individuals listed above will be declared elected.**

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- B. Nominations for Executive Committee Members. Vacancies as follows:

**Statewide:** Vacancy (three-year term through 2015)

**Member-at-Large:** Vacancy (three-year term through 2015)

**Member-at-Large:** Vacancy (One-year term through 2013)

**Note: Only Statewide Senators are eligible to be nominated for the Executive Committee Statewide position.**

Position Statement  
**Lynn Williams, Ph.D.**  
Nomination for Chair  
**Academic Senate – California State University, Fresno**

My name is Lynn Williams I am an associate professor of Agricultural Business. I have been a faculty member at Fresno State for fifteen years. During that time I served on the JCAST and University Undergraduate Curriculum Committees as, both, a member and chair for ten years. I have served in the Academic Senate and the Academic Senate Executive Committee for the past six years. Additionally, I served the University as Faculty Athletics representative for five years. Currently, I am a faculty senator, member of the executive committee of the Academic Senate and am a member of the JCAST Faculty Executive Committee. In each of these capacities I have been afforded the opportunity to meet and interact with outstanding faculty members across our campus. It is my desire to continue to find new ways in which to serve this institution and its dedicated faculty – at this point in time that way is by offering to serve you as the Academic Senate Chair.

Position Statement  
**Kevin J. Ayotte, Ph.D.**  
Nomination for Vice Chair  
**Academic Senate – California State University, Fresno**

My Senate experience and leadership in professional organizations make me uniquely qualified for the duties of Vice-Chair of the Academic Senate. This is my second term in the Senate, so I am familiar both with the procedures and responsibilities of this deliberative body. In my roles as former Chair of the Rhetoric and Public Address Division of the Western States Communication Association and current Chair of the Critical and Cultural Studies Division of the National Communication Association, I have managed similar deliberative groups. Most importantly, I am committed to the value of shared university governance and will ensure that the role of the faculty in guiding decisions about the future of Fresno State is not compromised.