

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 Mugrdchian
Armenian Studies

Michael Botwin
Psychology

Rebecca Raya-Fernandez
Student Services Prof-AR

University-Wide

Diane M. Blair (elected)
Communication

David A. Kinnunen (re-elected)
Kinesiology

DEPARTMENT VACANCIES

Aerospace
Educational Research & Admin.
Mass Communications & Journ.
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.