

THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
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Members Present: Michael Caldwell (Chair), Dawn Lewis, Jacinta Amaral, Lynnette Zelezny (designee of William Covino), Gena Gechter, Thomas Holyoke, O. Harald Schweizer, Lynn Williams

Excused Absent: Selena Farnesi (student member), President John Welty

Visitors: V. Baker, L. Gonzalez, A. Lawson, P. Popma, T. Wendt, G. Zumwalt

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m. by Chair Caldwell in the Senate Conference Room, Thomas Administration 117.

1. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda.
2. Approval. MS to approve the Minutes of 2/27/12 as amended.

The Minutes of 2/27/12 will return to the agenda of the next EC meeting for approval.

3. Communications and Announcements.

Communication Item

- A. Associate Provost Zelezny announced that senators, department chairs and deans will be contacted to seek their feedback regarding changes to Cal State Online.
- B. Senator J. Amaral (Statewide) announced Plenary meetings are scheduled March 15 – 17, 2012.
- C. Chair Caldwell announced the date of the President's Budget Forum has changed to March 22, 2012, 10:00 – 11:30 am in the Satellite Student Union. An email announcing this change will be sent to the university community.

Action Item

- D. Email dated March 1, 2012, from Paula Popma, Chair, Personnel Committee to Michael Caldwell, Chair Academic Senate re: APM 361 Policy on Faculty Leaves of Absence – Allocation of Sabbatical Leaves. Email has been received.

Item will be placed on the agenda of the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

- D. Email dated March 1, 2012, from Paula Popma, Chair, Personnel Committee to Michael Caldwell, Chair Academic Senate re: APM 301 and APM 304 Revisions. Email has been received.

Item will be placed on the agenda of the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

- E. Memo dated February 28, 2012, from Marilyn Wilson, Chair, Graduate Committee to Michael Caldwell, Chair Academic Senate re: Online M.A. Program in Deaf Education. Memo has been received.

Item will be sent to the University Budget Committee for review.

- F. Memo dated March 6, 2012 from the Department of Economics Faculty to Dr. William Covino, Provost & Dr. Michael Caldwell, Chair Academic Senate re: Proposal to Reassign Economics Department to the Craig School of Business. Memo dated March 8, 2012 from Luz Gonzalez, Dean, College of Social Sciences and Robert Harper, Dean, College School of Business to Dr. William Covino, Provost and Dr. Michael Caldwell, Chair Academic Senate re: Recommendation to Reassign Department of Economics to the Craig School of Business. Memos have been received.

Dean L. Gonzalez was present and announced that the recommendation to reassign the Department of Economics to the Craig School of Business (CSB) has been a point of discussion within the College of Social Sciences (CSS) and CSB for some time. The AABATF recommendation to reassign the Department of Economics to CSB served as an opportunity to revisit the topic. Dean Gonzalez continued to describe the process (and discussions) underwent toward reassigning Economics to the CSB. Dr. A. Avalos, Chair of Economics Department, put together the proposal in consultation with his faculty and received feedback from the Department of Political Science and the Kremen School of

Education. On March 7, 2012, the department chairs of CSS unanimously voted in support of the department's reassignment. Deans Gonzalez and Harper support the department's reassignment. The benefits and impact of the department's reassignment to CSS and CSB were described.

Chair Caldwell, in accordance with APM 113, asked the Executive Committee for the suggestions for where to send this item next.

Senator L. Williams (Agriculture Economics) recommended, because the deans and their faculty are in agreement for the department's reassignment, the item be expedited to the Academic Senate for review.

Senators T. Holyoke (University-wide) and G. Gechter (Student Services) voiced support for the department's move to CSB.

MSC to send the Recommendation to Reassign Department of Economics to the Craig School of Business-- Luz Gonzalez, Dean, College of Social Sciences and Robert Harper, Dean, College School of Business to the agenda of the next meeting of the Academic Senate (AS). Deans Gonzalez and Harper will be invited to attend the AS meeting.
[1 Abstain]

- G. Ballot received by Bernadette Muscat, Chair of Nominating and Elections committee, regarding search committee election for AVP of Academic Personnel.

Item will be discussed in today's Executive Session.

- F. Received nominations for Smoke-Free Campus Committee.

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- H. Received nominations for Provost's Awards Committee.

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4. Executive Session.

MSC to move into Executive Session. (4:18 p.m. – 4:23 p.m.)

5. Returned to Open Session. (4:01 p.m.)

MSC to approve the following recommendation:

BALLOTS – Search Committee for Associate Vice President for Academic Personnel

To approve the ballots and authorize they to be sent to the Academic Senate for vote.

Smoke-Free Campus Committee

W. Gregory Thatcher, MSPH, Ph.D. (Public Health), one-year term

Provost's Awards Committee

Marnel Niles Goins, Ph.D. (Communications)

David Schechter, Ph.D. (Political Science)

6. General Education Writing Requirements–General Education Committee–Continued Second Reading.

Dr. A. Larson, Chair of the General Education Committee, was present to respond to questions from the Executive Committee.

MSC to send the General Education Writing Requirements–General Education Committee to the agenda of the next meeting of the Academic Senate.

7. APM 327 Policy on Promotion–Personnel Committee–Continued Second Reading.

P. Popma, Chair of the Personnel Committee, was present to describe the main revisions to the policy as requested by the Executive Committee. The main revisions were:

- The verbiage "which exceed the department's standard for probationary faculty" was stricken from III.B.
- In section III.A., the sentence "Probationary faculty shall not be promoted to the rank of Professor" was changed to "Probationary faculty normally shall not be promoted to the rank of Professor." The revised verbiage is found in CBA 14.2 and paragraph 3 under section I General Policy on the first page of the Policy on Promotion.

MSC to send APM 327 Policy on Promotion–Personnel Committee to the agenda of the next meeting of the Academic Senate.

P. Popma will be invited to attend.

8. APM 243 Policies and Procedures for Student Academic Petitions Committee–Academic Policy and Planning Committee.

The item will return to the agenda of the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

9. Posthumous Degree Policy-Student Affairs Committee.

Associate Provost Zelezny announced there is little urgency for this policy's review and ratification for the 2012 Commencement, but reminded there currently is no policy guiding the provision of the posthumous degree.

The item will return to the agenda of the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

10. Proposal for Online Masters of Business Administration Program–Graduate Committee.

The item will return at the top of the agenda of the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

11. Policy on Graduate Faculty Groups for Doctoral Programs–Revised–Graduate Committee.

The item will return to the agenda of the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

12. Policy on Dual Listed/Co-scheduled Courses–Graduate Committee.

The item will return to the agenda of the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

13. APM 332 Policy on Range Elevation for Temporary Faculty–Personnel Committee.

The item will return to the agenda of the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

14. Certificate of Advanced Study in Homeland Security Programs–Graduate Committee.

The item will return third to the top of the agenda of the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

15. APM 399 Policy on Emerita and Emeritus Status–Personnel Committee.

The item will return second to the top of the agenda of the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

MSC to adjourn at 4:30 p.m.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be announced.

An Agenda will be distributed prior to the meeting.

Submitted by:

Dawn K. Lewis
Vice Chair
Academic Senate

Approved by:

Michael Caldwell
Chair
Academic Senate