

THE MINUTES OF THE EXPANDED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
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Members Present: Michael Caldwell (Chair), Dawn Lewis, John Constable, William Covino, Gena Gechter, Craig Parks (student member), O. Harald Schweizer, President John Welty, Lynn Williams

Members Excused: Jacinta Amaral, Christine Edmonson, Selena Farnesi (student member), Thomas Holyoke, Paula Popma

Visitors: P. Beare, V. Baker, L. Gonzalez, C. Torgerson, V. Torres, P. Trueblood

The meeting was called to order at 10:04 a.m. by Chair Caldwell in Thomas Building Conference Room #117.

1. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda.
2. Approval. MSC to approve the Minutes of 5/9/11.
3. Communications and Announcements.

Communication Item

- A. President Welty announced Dr. Dawn Lewis has been appointed as Co-FAR.
- B. President Welty announced the state has a budget for 2011-2012 and discussed the reductions, student fee increases, and student payment deadline extensions. The 2011-2012 enrollment target will remain 17,560 FTE and the university is on target. Dr. Welty responded to questions from the committee.
- C. Provost Covino announced the Academic Affairs Budget Advisory Task Force continues to meet through the

summer into fall. The task force will give its recommendations to the Provost's Office in October. Dr. Covino also described actions in Academic Affairs (i.e., reorganization, staff changes and reductions, etc.) currently underway to meet the budget reductions.

- D. Chair Caldwell announced the Academic Senate office is relocating to TA 130 in Fall 2011.
- E. Chair Caldwell announced that the 2011-2012 Executive Committee meeting dates have been sent to members. The Fall 2011 Academic Senate meeting dates are posted on the senate website.
- F. Chair Caldwell recommended the Executive Committee review the Academic Senates committee structure in Fall 2011 to improve the senate's efficiency and effectiveness.

Action Item

- G. Email (May 25, 2011) from Thomas McClanahan, Associate Vice President for Research, to Michael Caldwell, Chair, Academic Senate re: APM 504, Post Award Audit #10-29 – Fresno. Email has been received.

Item will be sent to the Academic Policy and Planning Committee for review.

- 4. Discontinuation of Interdisciplinary Health and Rehabilitation Science Major.

Dr. Peggy Trueblood, Chair, Department of Physical Therapy, was present and described the rationale for discontinuing the major and the plan for its phase out, and responded to questions from the committee.

MSC to approve, on behalf of the Academic Senate, the discontinuation of the Interdisciplinary Health and Rehabilitation Science Major.

- 5. Proposed Doctorate of Physical Therapy.

Provost Covino and Dr. P. Trueblood discussed the rationale for the proposed Doctorate of Physical Therapy (DPT). Provost Covino explained the need to expedite the Academic Senate's review of this program this summer is to prepare the proposal

for presentation to WASC in fall 2011 in order to meet the fall 2012 program start. J. Constable, Chair, University Budget Committee, discussed the budgetary implications of the DPT.

MSC to approve, on behalf of the Academic Senate, the proposed Doctorate of Physical Therapy.

6. Request to Reorganize KSOEHD Departments.

Dr. Paul Beare, Dean of KSOEHD, and Dr. Colleen Torgerson, CSER, presented the rationale for the partial reorganization of two KSOEHD departments (i.e., the merging of Special Education with the Literacy and Early Education department).

MSC to approve, on behalf of the Academic Senate, the requested reorganization of the KSOEHD Departments.

7. Proposed BA in Latin American Studies.

Dr. Luz Gonzalez, Dean, College of Social Sciences, and Dr. Victor Torres, Chair, Chicano and Latin American Studies, presented the rationale and an overview of the proposed degree.

MSC to approve, on behalf of the Academic Senate, the proposed BA in Latin American Studies.

MSC to adjourn at 11:38 a.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