THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

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Members present: Kevin Ayotte (Chair), Thomas Holyoke (Vice Chair), Michael Jenkins (At-large), Madhu Katti (At-large), Loretta Kensinger (State-wide), Melanie Ram (University-wide), Rebecca Raya-Fernandez (At-large), Lynn Williams (Ex-officio), Provost Lynette Zelezny (Ex-officio)

Members excused: President Joseph Castro (Ex-officio) and Moses Menchaca (ASI)

Visitors: Debbie Astone (Interim VP for Administration), Venita Baker, Dennis Nef (Vice Provost), Clint Moffitt (Interim CFO), James Mullooly (Chair, Academic Policy and Planning Committee), Diana Ralls (President’s Office), and Brian Tsukimura (Chair, Personnel Committee)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Ayotte at 3:07pm in HML 2108.

1. Approval of the agenda

MSC approving the agenda.

1. Approval of the minutes of April 6, 2015

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1. Communications and announcements
2. Provost Zelezny

She is in the final stages of the searches for a new Dean of Undergraduate Education and Dean of the College of Health and Human Services. She also just met with various consultative bodies in the College of Arts and Humanities about conducting a search for a new dean next year. In the meantime, Interim Dean Diaz will be reappointed until such time as a new dean is hired. The college’s consultative bodies were also supportive of using a search firm to help the provost conduct a nationwide search for a new dean. The provost also recently met with the assembly of the College of Social Sciences to discuss appointing an acting dean for the one year that Dean Gonzalez is gone. She also noted that former AVP of Faculty Affairs, Ted Wendt, is being contracted to help bridge the transition from Michael Caldwell to the new person hired in that position.

1. Senator Kensinger (Statewide Senate)

Noted that the movie “The Hunting Ground” on campus rape is being shown again on Friday, April 24, from 1 to 3pm and there will be a panel afterwards discussing the issue. It is sponsored by the Department of Criminology.

1. Action Items (additional action items will be handled by email)
2. Memo dated April 17, 2015, from Brian Tsukimura, Chair Personnel Committee to Kevin Ayotte, Chair Academic Senate re: APM 114 Policy on Faculty Consultation and Voting. Memo has been received.

APM 114 will be placed on today’s Executive Committee agenda as item #6.

1. Memo dated April 17, 2015, from Brian Tsukimura, Chair Personnel Committee to Kevin Ayotte, Chair Academic Senate re: APM 125 Policy on Department Chairs. Memo has been received.

APM 125 will be placed on today’s Executive Committee agenda as item #7.

1. Budget Presentation by Interim Vice President for Administration Astone and Interim Chief Financial Officer Moffitt. The presentation will be repeated in the Academic Senate.
2. APM 220 – Program Review

Chair Mullooly (Academic Policy and Planning Committee) and Vice Provost Nef responded to concerns expressed about the proposed changes to the process of Program Review, especially regarding WASC requirements. It was decided to send APM 220 back to AP&P for further revisions, with Executive Committee members emailing concerns to Chair Mullooly.

MSC referring APM 220 back to the Academic Policy and Planning Committee.

1. APM 114 - Policy on Faculty Consultation and Voting

MSC placing this on the agenda of the next Academic Senate meeting

1. APM 125 – Policy on Department Chairs

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1. APM 206 Interim Policies and Procedures on Technology Mediated Courses and Programs.

Chair Mullooly (Academic Policy and Planning Committee) answered questions and considered proposed amendments by Senator Ram (University-wide). Changes to APM 206 will be worked out by email and will then return to the agenda of the Executive Committee.

The Senate Executive Committee adjourned at 5:16pm.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be on April 27, 2015, at 3:30pm in Library 2108.

Submitted by: Approved by:

Thomas Holyoke Kevin Ayotte

Vice Chair Chair

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