THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

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December 7, 2020

Members present: Thomas Holyoke (Chair), Raymond Hall (Vice Chair), Rebecca Raya-Fernandez (At-Large), Tinneke Van Camp (At-Large), Jennifer Miele (At-Large), Lisa Bryant (Universitywide), Susan Schlievert (Statewide), Saul Jiménez-Sandoval (Provost), Elizabeth Zuñiga (ASI Executive President)

Members excused: Joseph Castro (President)

Guests: Venita Baker (Academic Senate), Xuanning Fu (Interim Provost), Bernadette Muscat, James Mullooly

The meeting was called to order by Chair Holyoke at 3:01 pm on Zoom.

1. Approval of the Agenda.

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1. Approval of the Minutes 11.30.20

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1. Communications and Announcements.

Provost Jiménez-Sandoval gave a brief update from the administration. He told the committee that Deans are on board with face to face classes beginning Feb 8, delayed a bit from all other classes which will begin in virtual mode Jan 21. He informed us that Larry Salinas and Patti Wade are both leaving with Dr. Castro to Long Beach (Larry is chief of staff). Shirley Armbruster will likely take over for Ms. Wade for the interim, and are still exploring interim options for Mr. Salinas’ positon. Finally a draft version of the University Budget was distributed to the cabinet.

Sen Bryant inquired about whether the replacement for Mr. Salinas’ position will be a broad search, within CSU or perhaps from state government? The Provost stated that the job requirements for this positon are being drafted and will partially determine the search parameters. Sen Bryant stated from the record that Larry and Patti are amazing at their job and she is sad to see them go.

Ms. Zuñiga inquired about FSCRA CPAL impacts on faculty and inquired if there are plans to help faculty with respect to these resources or lack thereof. The Provost agreed this is and issue of importance, he has seen a list of faculty that would be impacted, and he has spoken to President Castro, and possibilities are being explored at CO level.

**Action Items**

A. Memo dated December 3, 2020 from James Mullooly, Chair Academic Policy and Planning Committee to Thomas Holyoke, Chair Academic Senate re: APM 203 Special Majors. Memo has been received.

 Suggestion: place on agenda

B. Email dated December 4, 2020 from Paula Castadio, Vice President University for Advancement to Thomas Holyoke, Chair Academic Senate re: AVP Search – University Communication. Email has been received.

Suggestion: Will explore memory stick archives with regard to needed search committees.

1. February 8 – Start Date for in-person classes.

Dr. Fu explained the reasoning for the proposal and gave estimates: total on campus at this point is 800 people and it is estimated 1100 students on daily basis for 2021.

Committee gave its endorsement.

1. APM: Using special majors- aspects not in policy.

Change of major had the requirement: “must have one more full year to completion”, and the proposal is to strike this to allow graduation for those with enough units.

A second modification: No “Special Majors” major is allowed for which we already have an actual major. The name of the SP major must be different than existing.

MSC to place on Senate agenda

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The Senate Executive Committee adjourned at 3:38 pm.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be held January 25, 2021, at 3:00 PM via Zoom.

Submitted by: Approved by:

Raymond Hall Thomas Holyoke

Vice Chair Chair

Academic Senate Academic Senate