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Members Present: Mike Botwin, Michael Caldwell, Jacinta Amaral, Jeronima Echeverria, Manuel Figueroa, Gena Gechter, President Welty, Lynn Williams.

Members Absent: Harald Schweizer (excused), Graham Wahlberg (student) (excused).

Visitors: C. Edmondson, S. Hayes

The meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m. by Chair Botwin in the University Center, Room #203.

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of 10/27/08.
2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as amended to add Action item 3.C., CSU Information Security Policy Project, as new item 5. and renumber the remaining item accordingly.
3. Communications and Announcements. (Anyone wishing a copy of the items distributed or discussed, please contact the Academic Senate Office).

Action Item.

- A. A memorandum (10/20/08) from Jim Farrar, Chair, Department of Plant Science to Michael Botwin, Chair, Academic Senate, re: IDEA Center Student Rating of Instruction, was received.

Acknowledged receipt

- B. A memorandum (10/20/08) from Faculty of the Department of Food Science and Nutrition, to Michael Botwin, Chair,

Academic Senate, re: IDEA Center Student Rating of Instruction, was received.

Acknowledged receipt

- C. An email (11/3/08) from John Tarjan, CSU Chair, and Cheryl Washington, to Michael Botwin, Chair, Academic Senate, re: CSU Information Security Policy Project (Responses due by 2:00 p.m. on December 10, 2008), was received.

New Agenda Item #5

Information Item

- D. President Welty commented on the following:
 - (i) The Board of Trustees will be providing the Chancellor with a recommendation to declare the CSU system impacted.
 - (ii) The visit from the visiting NCAA certification team was positive. The report from the committee will reach the campus in April 2009.
 - (iii) The library ribbon cutting will be on January 30, 2009.
 - E. Provost Echeverria outlined the first phase of the reductions from the central academic budget. Many of the initial reductions were in budgeted funds that have not been spent. Additional budgeted items are being examined for potential future reductions, including carry-forward funds from each of the colleges.
4. Interim Policy on Adding and Dropping Classes (APM 231) – Student Affairs Committee.

MSC to send the Interim Policy on Adding and Dropping Classes (APM 231) back to the Academic Policy & Planning Committee to examine along with Executive Order 1037 and notes from the Student Affairs committee. It is recommended that the committee also seriously consider language regarding clear instructions for securing verification with regard to “serious and compelling reasons.”

5. CSU Information Security Policy Project.

Chair Botwin suggested sending to AIT and IETTC along with a two-week period of public comment from the Senate.

MSC to send the CSU Information Security Policy Project to Academic Information Technology Subcommittee (AIT) and International Environmental Technology and Training Center (IETTC) for review before the December 10, 2008, response date.

6. Executive Session.

There were no items for Executive Session.

MSC to adjourn at 4:04 p.m.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be announced and an Agenda will be distributed prior to the meeting.

Submitted by:

Michael Caldwell
Recording Secretary
Academic Senate

Approved by:

Michael Botwin
Chair
Academic Senate