

THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
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Members Present: Michael Botwin Michael Caldwell, Jacinta Amaral, Manuel Figueroa, Gena Gechter, Dennis Nef, O. Harald Schweizer, Lynn Williams

Members Absent: President Welty (excused), Lauren Johnson (student) (excused).

Visitors: C. Edmondson, S. Hayes C. Jackson, J. Kus, F. Schreiber, B. Tsukimura.

The meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m. by Chair Botwin in University Center, Room #203.

1. Approval. MSC to approve the Minutes of 5/4/09.
2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as amended to reverse item 6. Policy on the Assessment of Teaching Effectiveness (APM 322) and item 7. Executive Session and renumber the items accordingly.
3. Communications and Announcements. (Anyone wishing a copy of the items distributed or discussed, please contact the Academic Senate Office).

Information Item

- A. Interim Provost Nef thanked the committee for outstanding work this year.
- B. Chair Botwin thanked Dr. Nef for his work as Provost this semester.
- C. Statewide Senator Jacinta Amaral reported on the following resolutions presented at the Statewide Plenary Session:

AS2886. (Faculty Affairs), Migration of State-Supported Courses to Self-Supported Courses.

The resolution was to remind the CSU leadership of EO 802/Ed Code 8908, which does not allow courses to be supplanted.

AS2891. (Faculty Affairs/Academic Affairs), Support for consultation regarding academic reorganization.

Faculty reminded to be vigilant regarding consultation.

AS2892. Faculty control over course capacity and course designations/modes of instruction.

Resolution to remind administrators that faculty control over instructional quality should go through

AS2895. Opposition to implementation of mandatory early start programs.

Students can be admitted while they are ineligible due to low scores on ELM/EPT. The senate is opposed to the requirement to make students take a remediation course on short notice.

4. Policy on Graduate Faculty Groups for Master's Degree Programs (APM 226).

The Executive Committee was asked by Professor Catherine Jackson (Kinesiology) to review (APM 226) Policy on Graduate Faculty Groups for Master's Degree Programs.

MSC to refer the policy to the Graduate and Personnel Committees for review accompanied by a letter from Chair Botwin with regard to specific points of concern.

5. Policy on Adding and Dropping Classes (APM 231) – Student Affairs Committee - Second Reading – Continued.

The Committee focused on the areas of the policy that address administrative drops during the first four weeks and new language was proposed.

MSC to approve the policy with the amendment and

forward to the Academic Senate.

6. Executive Session.

MSC to move into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. (4:10 p.m. – 4:33 p.m.)

7. Returned to Open Session. (4:33 p.m.)

8. Policy on the Assessment of Teaching Effectiveness (APM 322) Graduate Committee, Student Affairs Committee, University Budget Committee & Academic Policy & Planning Committee – Second Reading - Continued.

The Committee agreed by consensus to accept Chair Botwin's invitation to direct an electronic discussion on the Policy throughout the summer.

MSC to adjourn at 5:03 p.m.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be in the Fall Semester. An Agenda will be distributed prior to the meeting.

Submitted by:

Michael Caldwell
Recording Secretary
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Approved by:

Michael Botwin
Chair
Academic Senate