

THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
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Members Present: Mike Botwin, Michael Caldwell, Jeronima Echeverria, Manuel Figueroa, Gena Gechter, Mackee Mason (student), Harald Schweizer, President Welty, Lynn Williams.

Member Absent: Jacinta Amaral (excused).

Visitors: S. Hayes, B, Tsukimura.

The meeting was called to order at 3:04 p.m. by Chair Botwin in the University Center, Room #203.

1. Minutes. MSC to approve the Minutes of 9/15/08.
2. Agenda. MSC to approve the Agenda as distributed.
3. Communications and Announcements. (Anyone wishing a copy of the items distributed or discussed, please contact the Academic Senate Office).

Information Item

- A. An Email (9/17/08) from John Tarjan, Chair, Academic Senate CSU to Michael Botwin, Chair, Academic Senate, re: Access to Excellence Accountability Plan, was received.

Executive Session, 09/29/08. An invitation will be made to Senators to attend Executive Committee to discuss.

- B. President Welty discussed the California State budget and the implications on the CSU budget. The CSU compact will not be funded with the exception of fixed cost increases. All negotiations regarding collective bargaining will be re-opened. All raises already enacted by payroll will not be rescinded. It is clear that the legislature has not succeeded

in solving the structural problems with California's budget process, and, as a result, the impact of the system will be felt next year.

- C. Provost Echeverria commented on the progress in forming a search committee for the Dean of Health and Human Services.
- D. Chair Botwin asked Brian Tsukimura, Chair, Personnel Committee, about progress regarding student ratings of faculty. Tsukimura remarked that the committee is taking a fresh look at the issue following discussions from last semester and the summer months.

Action Item

- E. A memorandum (9/10/08) from John D. Welty, President to Michael Botwin, Chair, Academic Senate, re: Faculty Representation – Athletics Advisory Council, has been received.

Executive Session Today.

- 4. Policy on Market-Based Salary Increases.

The Committee discussed the policy and made requests of the personnel chair regarding specificity. He will be addressing these issues and will be returning with revisions.

- 5. Executive Session.

MSC to move into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. (3:46 p.m. - 3:51 p.m.)

- 6. Returned to Open Session. (3:51 p.m.)

MSC to forward the following recommendation for the committee vacancy:

Athletics Advisory Council
Michael Botwin (Psychology)

MSC to adjourn at 3:52 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