EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES
November 7, 2005

Present: Parsons, David, Phillips, Veregge, Kassing, Lee, Bros, Van Selst, McClory, Sigler, Thames, Gutierrez, Ashton, Lessow-Hurley

Absent: Nellen

1. The Executive Committee discussed and approved the consent calendar (14-0-0).

2. The Executive Committee discussed whether nominees for UPC Advisory Panels had been appointed. The staff and faculty have been appointed, but panel chairs are still working on student appointments.

3. The Executive Committee discussed the need for a Wang Award Committee member. Provost Sigler volunteered. The Executive Committee voted and Provost Sigler was approved unanimously (14-0-0).

4. The Executive Committee discussed President Kassing's nomination of Senator Annette Nellen as a faculty-at-large member on the Athletics Board. The Executive Committee voted to send Senator Nellen's name to the Senate for approval.

5. Reports from the Senate Chair:

   a. Resource Planning Board (RPB):
      The RPB met on October 31, 2005. Chair Veregge will have the minutes posted as soon as an university planning website is established. The RPB discussed having the lottery funds rolled into the strategic planning process.

   b. Proposed referral to Organization and Government Committee (O&G):
      Chair Veregge said that a referral is being made to O&G to review the Athletics Board membership due to recommendations from COIA and last year's Athletics Task Force.

   c. Award Committees:

      Chair Veregge announced that 1 Distinguished Service, 1 President's Scholar, 5 Outstanding Professor, and 30 Outstanding Lecturer award nominations had been received in the Senate Office by the October 31, 2005 deadline. There was discussion about what to do to get more nominations. It was suggested that the previous year's nominees be considered again this year. The Senate Administrator will
forward copies of last year's nominees to the Chairs of the Distinguished Service, President's Scholar, and Outstanding Professor Award Committees.

d. Relationship between Senate Committees and the University Planning Council (UPC) Strategic Planning Council Panels:

Chair Veregge said there are not many Senate committees that overlap with the UPC Advisory Panels. In the instances where there is overlap, the established Senate committee could act as the UPC Advisory Panel, or people could be added to the existing committee structure to make an UPC Advisory Panel, or representatives of the committee could be added to the UPC Advisory Panel. Chair Veregge said that the Senate Chair should be the person to pay attention to what everyone is doing (UPC Advisory Panels and Senate committees.) The Executive Committee discussed the options listed above and decided that it was not advisable for a Senate committee to become the UPC Advisory Panel, but the UPC Advisory Panel should have members from the Senate committee where appropriate.

6. Reports on items being considered by policy committees:

a. Curriculum and Research Committee (C&R):
Senator David said that C&R is requesting that the University Planning Council (UPC) include consideration of interdisciplinary programs under 1.1 Enhancing the Academic Experience. There are many issues surrounding interdisciplinary programs including where the resources should come from, who advocates for the program, and Retention-Tenure-Promotion (RTP) issues. The Executive Committee discussed whether the UPC was the appropriate place for this issue. Provost Sigler will bring this up for consideration at the next UPC meeting and report back to the Executive Committee.

b. Professional Standards Committee (PS):
Senator Bros said that the PS committee will be discussing their RTP recommendations with the Council of Deans tomorrow. The PS committee spoke with a visiting professor from Tel Aviv about online SOTE procedures. There is correlation. They did give up peer evaluations and rely entirely on SOTES.

c. Organization and Government Committee (O&G):
Senator Parsons said that O&G is working on bylaw changes to address the dissolution of the College of Social Work. Senator Parsons and Provost Sigler will meet and discuss this issue.

d. Instruction and Student Affairs Committee (I&SA):
Senator Thames said that the I&SA committee was trying to decide how to pick the Shared Values Theme for next year. I&SA feels that this should come from the Executive Committee and not I&SA. I&SA will bring a Sense of the Senate Resolution to the next Senate meeting on how to pick the next year's Shared Values Theme. I&SA also has two new referrals regarding Academic Integrity. They include not allowing academic renewal for an Academic Integrity violation, and putting an "x" before "F" designating a failed class due to an Academic Integrity violation. And, the Final Exam policy has been sent to the Department Chairs for input.

7. CSU Statewide Senator Report:

Senator Van Selst said that some issues being discussed at the CSU Statewide level include: having both degrees show on a diploma which involves double majors, limits on how many times a course can be repeated (SJSU has exemplary performance in this area), joint doctorates that can't be supported, standardizing the academic calendar across campuses, and reviewing the structure of General Education. In addition, hiring a new Chief Academic Officer is currently in the works.

8. Vice Chair Report:

Senator Lessow-Hurley said that the Senate Retreat is to be held November 18, 2005, and is all set. Five students have agreed to participate on a student panel. And, about 50 people have said they will attend this year.

9. Associated Students President's Report:

Senator Gutierrez said that there is an Associated Students Board of Directors meeting on Wednesday, please attend if you can. Senator Gutierrez encouraged everyone to vote tomorrow.