Executive Committee Meeting  
January 28, 2013  
Noon – 1:30 p.m., ADM 167


Absent:  Peter

Guests:  Elna Green (Faculty Affairs), Maureen Scharberg (Student Academic Success Services), Dorothy Poole, Chief of Staff

1. Official Welcome of Rebecca Dukes

2. The minutes from December 3, 2012 were approved.

3. The Consent Calendar was approved.

4. Amendment to FSR Policy: Definitions and data were included in the document that was approved by the Senate and sent to the President for signature; these materials were explanatory documents and were never incorporated into the policy through a resolved clause—therefore they should not be considered part of the approved policy and will be removed.

5. Updates from Policy Chairs:

a. O & G: Working on criteria and process for electing committee chairs for Senate Policy and Operating committees; working on Athletic Board referral; development of task force or committee to address issues that were raised about upper GE courses and how to ensure that campus maintains commitment to make sure to have breadth in curriculum at SJSU; review/reading of revisions of S06-7 by the next Senate meeting.

b. ISA: Discussed minimum GPAs for student officers; student advising policy; final exam policy; student honors; student fairness committee policy.

c. C & R: Working on University Learning Goals (ULG) distributed to Chairs & Directors and Senate; asking for a final reading (not going to a first reading) on the ULGs, not a Sense of Senate—if approved, the ULGs will supplant the current goals on the University, they map with WASC goals; developed a communication mode by having a Google Drive folder for Chairs & Deans; working on revision of GE Guidelines—open meeting last Friday, most dialogue around the C3 and A3 areas, there will be a facilitated meeting for those interested in working on the concerns in those areas; will bring revision of GE policy for first reading at February Senate meeting.
d. Professional Standards: Implementation of the Teaching Evaluation policy will require coordination of several administrative officials; Faculty Affairs will now be responsible for incorporating student evaluations electronically into Personnel Action Files; departments will need to craft their peer evaluation guidelines; Deans need to know that departments in their colleges need to vote on guidelines and send them to the Deans for their approval.

e. Statewide Update: Passed a resolution encouraging the CO to enact a smoke free policy for the entire CSU; met with new Chancellor White who expressed his vision of shared leadership; heard a report from Gail Brooks, AVC for HR at the CO re statewide mandatory reporting of child abuse. The HR department is in the process of identifying a training program on child abuse reporting that will be adequate to our needs.

6. Senate Retreat: Looking at the Changing Ecology of Higher Education. Udacity and the Flipped Classroom (via EdEx) will be looked at from a faculty perspective and a student perspective; as a Senate, what should our role be at this time of rapid change in higher education? The focus is on the technology, but how can the Senate take leadership and be at the table with regards to the changes. Be pro-active versus reactive on the changes.

Please RSVP to Evite as soon as possible.

Suggestions for the Senate Retreat by Exec members: Focus on how do the topics inform policy; do you need more time for group discussions? Suggest holding discussion during lunch since there is no lunch speaker; ask for Senate Exec members to help out with getting the retreat going, facilitating workshops and groups.

7. Mandated Reporter Policy: Elna Green came to clarify the Mandatory Reporter Policy; several questions were asked about who should be a mandatory reporter and under what circumstances should a report be made.

8. Academic Affairs External Budget Report: Wants to allocate the budget based on incentive and to be more flexible. Brought up 2 experts from CSU Northridge to analyze the Academic Affairs budget. Examine budget structure, look at different models for the future, look at other comparable CSU campuses for lessons learned and how SJSU can compare performance indicators with other similar institutions.

Less centralized budget, but must have better fiscal responsibility at the department and college level.

9. Maureen Scharberg reported on Student Success and enrollment management: Look at other campus (CSU Long Beach) that has strong enrollment management; looked at San Diego State University for a model toward closing the enrollment gap.
10. Provost has contacted Senate Exec and CFA to discuss Udacity at separate meetings this week.

11. The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

Minutes taken and transcribed by AVC Wendy Ng. Minutes approved by the Executive Committee on January 28, 2013.