

2004/2005 Academic Senate

**MINUTES
May 17, 2004**

I. The meeting was called to order at 4:15 p.m. and attendance was taken. Thirty-nine Senators were present.

Ex Officio:

Present: Nellen, Van Selst,
Sabalius, Greathouse
Absent: McNeil, Crowley

Administrative Representatives:

Present: Rascoe, Kassing, Ashton
Absent: Goodman

Deans:

Present: Breivik, Sigler, Stacks
Absent: Meyers

Students:

Present: Nguyen
Absent: Gadamsetty, Kelly,
Lam, Lombardo, Stillman

Alumni Representative:

Present: Guerra

Emeritus Representative:

Present: Buzanski

Honorary Senators (Non-Voting):

Present: Norton

General Unit Representatives:

Present: Thames, Yi
Absent: Liu

CASA Representatives:

Present: David, Fee, Hooper,
Absent: Gonzales

COB Representatives:

Present: Campsey, Donoho
Absent: El-Shaieb

ED Represent:

Present: Lessow-Hurley, Maldonado-Colon
Absent: Parsons

ENG Representatives:

Present: Pour, Choo, Singh

H&A Representatives:

Present: Van Hooff, Desalvo, Williams,
Heisch, Hilliard
Absent: Vanniarajan

SCI Representatives:

Present: Veregge, Bros, Kellum, Branz, McClory

SOS Representatives:

Present: Von Till, Ogaz
Absent: Hebert

SW Representative:

Present: Coach

II. Approval of Academic Senate Minutes – None

III. Communications and Questions –

A. From the Chair of the Senate:

Chair Nellen said, "Welcome to the first meeting of the Academic Senate for the 2004/2005 year. This is a very important meeting, because this is when we elect the Senate Officers. We will start off with roll call. Please stand as Eva calls your name to be recognized by your fellow Senators."

Chair Nellen said, "Thank you to those Senators that volunteered to be mentors for our new faculty and student Senators; Senators Donoho, Branz, Stacks, and Thames. Also, thanks to the nomination committee; Professor Brent, Professor Katz, and Senator McNeil. Also, congratulations to Senator McNeil who was recently elected to be the CSU Academic Senate Chair for 2004/2005. Some likely agenda items for our upcoming Academic Senate year include: a new RTP policy, a Student Code of Conduct or value statement, a new Budget policy, a process for reviewing Interdisciplinary Programs, review of GE Guidelines, the Educated Citizens Dialogue, whether we should join the Coalition of Intercollegiate Athletics, Campus Climate policies, Senate committees structures, and online voting. A few things about protocol as we start off the year--we always begin our meetings at 2:00 p.m., and we always have very full agendas. If you have materials to hand out please get here early to do so. We will have some training for new Senators a half hour before the meeting on September 27, 2004, on Roberts Rules of Order, and how to make motions, etc. If you have any ideas, or concerns, you can always reach me at anellen@sjsu.edu. I will be around this summer for questions, and I look forward to very productive Senate year.

B. From the President of the University – Not present at the meeting.

IV. Executive Committee Report –

A. Executive Committee Minutes – None

B. Budget Advisory Committee Minutes – None

C. Consent Calendar – None

D. Executive Committee Action Items: None

V. Unfinished Business - None

VI. Policy Committee and University Library Board Action Items. In rotation.

A. Instruction and Student Affairs Committee – None

B. University Library Board – None

C. Professional Standards Committee – None

D. Curriculum and Research Committee – None

E. Organization and Government Committee – None

F. Budget Advisory Committee – None

VII. Special Committee Reports – None

VIII. New Business –

A. Approval of the 2004/2005 Senate Calendar – Approved as is.

B. Election of Senate Officers for 2004/2005:

Senator Norton said, "The by-laws specifically call for at least two nominees for each vacant office. How do you explain the failure to comply with this requirement?" Chair Nellen said, "The nominating committee made every effort to find Senators interested in running. I did not push them to find a "straw person" to serve on the ballot that gets up here and says vote for the other person. The nominating committee made every effort, and I made calls myself." Senator Norton said, "How do you suggest we cure this situation, amend the by-laws?" Chair Nellen replied, "We could amend the by-laws, but I'd like to get to the point that Senators are fighting to chair these policy committees."

1. Election of Chair, Curriculum and Research Policy Committee.

Chair Nellen asked for nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor. Chair Nellen announced that the only nominee for the Chair of Curriculum and Research was Senator Judith Lessow-Hurley. Senator Lessow-Hurley gave a brief statement of interest. Chair Nellen declared Senator Lessow-Hurley the new Chair by acclamation.

2. Election of Chair, Instruction and Student Affairs Committee.

Chair Nellen asked for nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor. Chair Nellen announced that the only nominee for the Chair of Instruction and Student Affairs was Senator Terri Thames. Senator Thames gave a brief statement of interest. Chair Nellen declared Senator Thames the new Chair by acclamation.

3. Election of Chair, Organization and Government Committee.

Chair Nellen asked for nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor. Chair Nellen announced that the only nominee for the Chair of Organization and Government was Senator Sally Veregge. Senator Veregge gave a brief statement of interest. Chair Nellen declared Senator Veregge the new Chair by acclamation.

4. Election of Chair, Professional Standards Committee.

Chair Nellen asked for nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor. Chair Nellen announced that the only nominee for the Chair of Professional Standards was Senator Shannon Bros. Senator Bros gave a brief statement of interest. Chair Nellen declared Senator Bros the new Chair by acclamation.

5. Election of Senate Secretary/Chair of Committee on Committees.

Chair Nellen asked for nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor. Chair Nellen announced that the nominees are Senator Maldonado-Colon, and Senator Pour. Senators Maldonado-Colon, and Pour gave brief statements of interest. Ballots were distributed to Senators, and collected by Senator Thames and Eva Joice. Senator Thames and Eva Joice counted the ballots and announced that the vote was too close to call, and that several Senators had voted for Senator

Thames who had withdrawn her nomination. New ballots were distributed to Senators for a second vote. Senator Thames and Eva Joice counted the ballots. Chair Nellen announced that Senator Elba Madonado-Colon was the new Secretary of the Senate/Chair of Committee on Committees.

6. Election of Faculty-at-Large Representative to the Executive Committee.

Chair Nellen asked for nominations from the floor. Senator Thames nominated Senator Allison Heisch. Chair Nellen announced that the candidates were: Senators Campsey, McClory, Heisch, and Singh. Senators Campsey, Singh, McClory, and Heisch gave brief statements of interest. Senator Thames and Eva Joice distributed, collected, and counted ballots. No candidate received a majority of the votes, therefore, the candidate with the lowest votes was dropped. Senator Thames and Eva Joice distributed ballots for a second vote among the three top candidates; Senators Campsey, McClory, and Heisch. Senator Thames and Eva Joice counted the ballots. No candidate received a majority of the votes, therefore, the candidate with the lowest votes was dropped. Senator Thames and Eva Joice distributed ballots for a third vote among the top two candidates; Senators Campsey and Heisch. Senator Thames and Eva Joice collected the ballots, and counted the votes. Chair Nellen declared Senator Heisch the Faculty-at-Large Representative to the Executive Committee.

7. Election of Statewide Senate Representative to the Executive Committee.

Chair Nellen asked for nominations from the floor. There were no nominations from the floor. Chair Nellen announced that the only candidate for the Statewide Senate Representative to the Executive Committee was Senator Van Selst. Senator Van Selst gave a brief statement of interest. Chair Nellen declared Senator Van Selst the Statewide Senate Representative to the Executive Committee by acclamation.

C. Motion from the floor:

Senator Buzanski presented *AS 1254, Sense of the Senate Resolution Opposing the Budget Agreement between the Chancellor and the Governor (Final Reading)*. A motion was made to extend the meeting until after the vote on AS 1254. The Senate voted and the motion passed. **Senator Stacks presented a friendly amendment to strike the 2nd "Whereas" clause. The Senate voted and AS 1254 passed.**

IX. State of the University Announcements. Questions. In rotation.

A. Associated Students President – moved to the next meeting due to lack of time.

B. Statewide Academic Senators – moved to the next meeting due to lack of time.

C. Provost – moved to the next meeting due to lack of time.

D. Vice President for Administration – moved to the next meeting due to lack of time.

E. Vice President for Student Affairs – moved to the next meeting due to lack of time.

X. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.