

2011/2012 Academic Senate

MINUTES
October 10, 2011

I. The meeting was called to order at 2:04 p.m. and roll call was taken by the Senate Administrator. Forty-Six Senators were present.

Ex Officio:

Present: Von Till, Kaufman,
Sabalius, Van Selst,
Kolodziejek
Absent: Lessow-Hurley

CASA Representatives:

Present: Fee, Schultz-Krohn, Semerjian
Absent: Johnson, Correia

Administrative Representatives:

Present: Selter, Nance, Bussani,
Bibb
Absent: Qayoumi

COB Representatives:

Present: Campsey, Reade, Nellen

Deans:

Present: Merdinger,
Stacks, Bienenfeld
Absent: Lin

EDUC Representatives:

Present: Kimbarow, Swanson, P.

ENGR Representatives:

Present: Gleixner, Backer, Du

Students:

Present: Salazar, Uweh, Choy,
Swanson, K., Sharma
Absent: Khan

H&A Representatives:

Present: Brown, Frazier, Fleck, Desalvo, Mok
Absent: Van Hooff

Alumni Representative:

Present: Walters

SCI Representatives:

Present: McClory, d'Alarcao, Wharton
Absent: Bros-Seemann

Emeritus Representative:

Present: Buzanski

SOS Representatives:

Present: Heiden, Ng, Peter, Rudy, Terry

Honorary Senators (Non-Voting):

Absent: Norton

General Unit Representatives:

Present: Peck, Bettencourt, Kauppila

II. Approval of Academic Senate Minutes–

The Senate approved the minutes of September 19, 2011, as amended by Senator Sabalius with one abstention.

III. Communications and Questions –

A. From the Chair of the Senate:

Chair Von Till announced that the call for nominations for the four faculty awards had been sent out to the campus, and she charged Senators with nominating two of their peers for each of the awards.

Chair Von Till reported on the proceedings of the Senate Chair's meeting in Long Beach last week. The big issue involved the transfer model curriculum (TMC). The TMC are discipline-specific. If it comes to us for approval, the question is "can we make it work." That will require a yes or no response, and not an evaluation of the curriculum. The campuses are being encouraged to make it work, because it will be a lot more work for us if we can't. There was some discussion of possible alternatives that included making it campus-specific, or possibly a special degree designation for transfer students with an AA degree.

Chair Von Till announced that this spring will be the 60th Anniversary of the SJSU Academic Senate.

B. From the President of the University –

Provost Selter reported for the President. The Strategic Planning Board (SPB) met for the first time this cycle on October 5, 2011. There were about 20 members present. The two students weren't identified yet, but they have now been appointed. President Qayoumi charged the SPB with reviewing the data collected from the 49 forums that were held across campus, the forums held with the Tower Board, Moss Landing, and the data from the online survey responses.

The SPB was then divided into four subcommittees. The four subcommittees include an Executive Committee, which is composed of the Senate Chair, Vice Presidents of the University, and the Athletic Director. The three other subcommittees parallel the three themes used in the forums and include Inclusive Excellence, Integration of Curriculum, and Community Connections.

The minutes of the SPB subcommittee meetings will be posted on the Strategic Planning website which is part of the President's website. The entire SPB, including all members of the subcommittees, will meet for two hours on Wednesdays. The first hour the entire SPB will meet, and then the SPB will split into subcommittees for the last hour.

The data collected from the Strategic Planning forums is being analyzed by Dr. Rona Halualani, Dorothy Poole, and Camille Johnson. These data will be presented to the SPB during the first hour of next Wednesday's meeting, then the three SPB subcommittees will work on their individual charges. The subcommittees have been charged with preparing a two to three page document that includes up to four goals identified from the data collected from the forums as it pertains to that particular subcommittee. These summaries also will include suggestions on how the goals could be implemented, as well as metrics to determine if we are meeting those goals.

The subcommittees will have about 2 to 2 1/2 weeks to complete this work. The subcommittee reports will be turned into the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee will integrate them into one plan with five to seven implementable goals to be presented to the President. These goals will need to be accomplished in the next five to seven years. The President will review the document, and then there will be a vetting process whereby it will be made available to the campus community and the Senate. It also will be put on the Strategic Planning website for comment. The goal is to have the Strategic Plan finalized by early to mid-December.

Questions:

Senator Peter asked if there had been any conversation about the Senate possibly endorsing the Strategic Plan with a resolution. Provost Selter responded that neither the President, or the Strategic Planning Board had discussed it, but the President wants widespread vetting within the time constraints. The President has been very clear that the process will be completed by early to mid-December.

IV. Executive Committee Report –

A. Executive Committee Minutes –

September 26, 2011 –

Senator Peter asked about the joint Doctorate in Nursing program, but said he would hold his questions until the Curriculum and Research Committee (C&R) gave its report, if that would be one of the committee discussion items. Chair Von Till responded that it would be.

October 3, 2011 –

Senator Van Selst commented that the minutes talk about turning International and Extended Studies into the College of International and Extended Studies, and he suggested that this not occur without a full discussion in the Senate. Chair Von Till responded that there would be plenty of opportunities for discussion.

B. Consent Calendar – The Senate voted and the consent calendar was approved as written.

AVC McClory reported on the recent campus-wide online vote regarding adding language about Academic Freedom to the CSU Statewide Senate constitution. AVC McClory noted that there were a few problems with the Senate's first attempt at a campus-wide online vote. The problems were primarily dealing with the reluctance of a college to verify appointment times for their faculty. This particular college indicated that they had not been asked to verify appointment time prior to this election. [Note: It is and has been standard practice for the colleges/departments to verify appointment time for their faculty.]

AVC McClory and the Senate Administrator, Eva Joice, met with Senator Nance, the Acting CIO and VP of Student Affairs, to discuss possible alternatives. Senator Nance is working with his staff in Information Technology to see if appointment times can be linked from the google doc ballot back to CMS. This could eliminate the need for verification of appointment time by the college Dean's Offices. AVC McClory is also in the process of creating a policy that would clarify that whatever percentage of appointment time is loaded in CMS at the time of the election will be the proportional vote that will be used for that election. No further verification would be done.

AVC McClory noted that she had been unable to give the CSU Statewide Senate the results of the election, because she is still waiting for verification of appointment times by some of the colleges. However, out of the 167 people that voted, only 2 voted against it.

Chair Von Till commented that she hoped we could figure this out so that we would not have to continue to do paper ballots that take an enormous amount of time to prepare and distribute, and are very costly. [Note from the Senate Administrator: The printing cost for the envelopes alone generally run between \$500 to \$700 a year.]

C. Executive Committee Action Items: None

V. Unfinished Business - None

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

A. University Library Board (ULB) – No report.

B. Professional Standards Committee (PS) – No report.

C. Curriculum and Research Committee (C&R) –

Senator Schultz-Krohn reported that the C&R Committee is working on the Doctorate in Nursing Practice in collaboration with Fresno. It is not a Ph.D. It is a practical degree program at the doctoral preparation level. There are two additional Doctorate in Nursing Practice programs. One is at San Diego State, and the other is a collaborative effort between Fullerton (the base), and Long Beach/Los Angeles. C&R is looking at how these programs have set up their curricula or curriculums. Senator Schultz-Krohn also noted that they have an accrediting body that oversees each curriculum. C&R is also looking at what an actual research project would look like.

C&R is working on developing guidelines for granting certificates. C&R is using a template developed from San Diego State University that includes guidelines on what form certificate programs might take.

C&R is looking at SB 1440, the Model Curriculum for Transfer Students. C&R is looking into how they might coordinate with other majors on campus.

Finally, C&R is working on a statement about credit hour policy. Specifically, C&R feels that since the syllabus is a contract with the student, there needs to be some specific statement added to it that for every 1 unit of direct instructional experience that is granted, there is an expectation that the student will put in two hours of instructional work. This might be directed activities, reading, fieldwork, etc. C&R is working on an amendment to the greensheet policy to include a boilerplate statement to this effect.

Questions:

Senator Peter asked if in consideration of the Doctoral Program in Nursing the C&R Committee had discussed the necessary library resources to support that program. In 2007,

the Senate passed a Sense of the Senate Resolution asking that our Doctorate in Education not go forward until after there was sufficient allowances for library resources to support it. Senator Schultz-Krohn responded that it was being addressed by direct communication with the library. This is a collaborative effort with Fresno, so it isn't just our resources. It is a shared responsibility.

Provost Selter noted that the home campus in the partnership is Fresno and all the enrollments and fees will go through Fresno. SJSU will enter into an agreement with Fresno on how the budgeting will occur. In that agreement, support for the library will be included.

D. Organization and Government Committee (O&G) -

Senator Kimbarow gave an update on the Humanities and the Arts reorganization mergers. The O&G Committee has received a total of 10 written briefs in response to their call for input, and are now in the process of reviewing those briefs. O&G will be moving to the oral testimony stage, so that individuals that submitted a brief can clarify the issues raised in their responses. O&G hopes to conclude the testimony phase by November 7, 2011.

Questions:

Senator Buzanski commented that he had read in the minutes that some of the faculty hoped to secure their privacy during the proceeding, but that it couldn't be done. Senator Buzanski asked for further clarification. Senator Kimbarow responded that under the Right to Information Act in California, the O&G Committee cannot offer the confidentiality to anyone that submitted documents to O&G. There were a few people that asked for confidentiality, and Senator Kimbarow had contacted them and told them that confidentiality is prohibited and offered to let them withdraw their documents. These hearings will be open to the public and the testimony will also be recorded. The hearings will be held on the Mondays that O&G is regularly scheduled to meet from 2 to 4 p.m. However, a few meetings have been scheduled on other days.

E. Instruction and Student Affairs Committee (I&SA) –

Senator Gleixner presented *AS 1465, Policy Recommendation, Required Enrollment for Report in Progress (RP) Units (Final Reading)*. **The Senate voted and AS 1465 was approved as written with 2 Nays, and no abstentions.**

Senator Gleixner presented *AS 1466, Policy Recommendation, Frosh Housing at San José State University (Final Reading)*. Senator Peter presented an amendment to change I.B.2. from, "living with a family member or equivalent within 30 miles from SJSU's main campus" to read, "living with a family member or equivalent within a reasonable commute from SJSU's main campus." **The Senate voted and the Peter amendment passed.** Senator Sabalius presented an amendment to add a G. to section II to read, "G. International Students." **The Senate voted and the Sabalius amendment passed.** Senator Nellen presented an amendment to strike the 2nd and 3rd Whereas clauses. **The Senate voted and the Nellen amendment passed.** Senator Brown presented an amendment to change II. B. to read "40 miles" wherever it reads "30 miles." **The Senate voted and the Brown amendment failed.** Senator Frazier presented an amendment to add, "; personal principle" to section

I.B.2. Senator Kaufman presented a substitute amendment to the Frazier amendment to change I. B. 2. to read, “2. Exemption by Petition: Students may petition for exemptions for other reasons including but not limited to unique employment situations; caregiver need or obligation; documented religious practices not compatible with University housing; documented medical, psychological, or disability not compatible with University housing; financial need not covered in II.F; living with a family member or equivalent within a reasonable commute from SJSU’s main campus; personal principle. The petition may not be approved.” **The Senate voted and the Kaufman amendment passed. The Senate voted and AS 1466 was approved as amended with 2 Nays, and 3 Abstentions.**

Senator Gleixner presented *AS 1467, Policy Recommendation, Scheduling of Advance Registration and Priority Registration, Amends F09-1 (First Reading)*. Senator Gleixner explained that this resolution is the result of a referral from the Student Success Committee. There is only one review right now for Priority Registration at the end of the five year approval period. The Student Success Committee would like those groups that are approved for priority registration to come back to the Student Success Committee and provide an annual report. New groups would also be put on a 2-year probationary period.

Questions:

Senator Peter asked how many groups currently have priority registration. Senator Gleixner responded that she and Senator McClory have this information, but did not bring it to the meeting. Senator Gleixner will forward this information to the Senate.

Senator Frazier asked if the committee could define the groups. Senator Gleixner responded that the groups are defined in the main university policy F09-1.

VII. Special Committee Reports – No report

VIII. New Business – No report.

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

A. VP of Student Affairs –

Senator Kaufman asked for an update on spring admissions. VP Nance commented that we are accepting spring enrollment for undergraduate students with impaction criteria in place. The application period for graduate and upper division transfer students has ended. Our projections show we should have between 600-1,000 undergraduates admitted. We have received more applications this year than last year. Last year we had 700 graduate applications, and this year we have 1,700. We expect to exceed our target by about 5% to 6%, with graduate applications and enrollment being the wildcard.

Senator Buzanski asked if Senator Nance was going to honor the commitment made by his predecessor to create a faculty club somewhere in the new Student Union. VP Nance stated that he would honor any promises that were made.

VP Nance announced that sadly the two shooting victims at the 800 block of 3rd street were former SJSU students, but they were not currently enrolled.

B. AS President –

AS President Kolodziejak made the following announcements:

Safety on campus is a big concern among students right now. Students are also concerned about not getting email alerts from UPD, and they have formed a group on facebook to distribute these updates.

AS is working on creating a student general assembly.

AS is planning an advocacy trip to Washington D.C. at the end of October.

President Kolodziejak invited Senators to the AS Scholarship recipients reception on November 10, 2011. Over 50 students will receive scholarships.

C. VP for University Advancement –

VP Bussani made the following announcements:

VP Bussani passed out Spartan Banners to all Senators from the Alumni Association in support of Homecoming week.

VP Bussani announced that the Athletics Department had provided her with a stack of tickets to give to any of the Senators that might want to attend Friday's Homecoming Game.

D. CSU Statewide Senators–

Senator Sabalius commented that there was a CSU Statewide Academic Senate meeting last Friday via conference call.

Senator Sabalius sits on the Faculty Affairs Committee. The new Faculty Trustee, Bernadette Cheyne from Humboldt, is going to be touring some of the campuses, and San José State is one of them. Senator Sabalius suggested the Senate consider what we want her to see while she is here, and consider inviting her to attend one of the Senate meetings.

Another issue under discussion was what role extended education should play. There was discussion about there being a big market out there for these programs, and that the CSU should jump in. One area of concern was how would faculty keep control over curricular affairs.

The CSU Statewide Senate also briefly discussed passage of the policy on presidential visits to campuses.

Senator Van Selst announced that this is the 50th Anniversary of the CSU.

Senator Van Selst commented that the computer science, music, and teacher prep transfer model curriculums (TMCs) are posted until October 16th for feedback. Senator Van Selst will forward the link to the website where faculty can provide feedback to anyone that wants it. In addition, the TMCs for RTVF, Engineering, Journalism, Anthropology, Information Systems, Geology, Spanish, Philosophy, Nursing, and so forth will be discussed at a meeting at the San José airport on October 28th.

Other topics of discussion include how to assess what is effective in our Early Start Program. Most campuses have Early Start Programs set up, and the question now is whether they are achieving what we set them up to achieve.

Another issue that is being discussed at the CSU Statewide Senate involves more and more high schools offering a fourth year of math. Historically, early assessment programs for math allowed a student to get conditional status. The CSU is now recommending a fourth year of math for everyone, except the 6% to 7% of the advanced placement group that test proficient and we guarantee are CSU-ready.

The vote on the referendum on Academic Freedom is on the agenda for the Board of Trustees for the December meeting.

The CSU Statewide Senate is also working on guidelines for the common use of the terminology acting and interim appointments. Their definition and use varies widely across the CSU.

There is also a lot of action around CSU online education.

E. Provost – No report.

F. VP for Administration and Finance – No report.

Questions: Senator Peter asked if anyone had any information on the construction of the Student Union and whether that process is on time. Senator Nance responded that the construction crew had started drilling the piles. They are behind schedule by a number of months for many reasons. Some of the reasons include finding roads and sewer lines in the subterranean level that weren't supposed to be there. There was at least six months of additional work that needed to be done as they started excavating. This has all been mitigated. The piles on the East side of the Student Union were finished being drilled about a week ago, and the piles on this side are scheduled to be drilled by the end of October. After the piles are drilled, things should begin to move much more quickly.

Senator Kaufman commented that he had not received any notice about the emergency evacuation drill that was scheduled for today. The last time an emergency evacuation drill was scheduled, it was announced in SJSU This Week, so that faculty teaching a class could ensure they weren't giving a test, etc. This

time the faculty in Senator Kaufman's college weren't notified ahead of time. Senator Kaufman asked if other faculty members had received advance notice. Senator Backer responded that her college had received notice.

Senator Gleixner noted that on this day 100 years ago, October 10, 1911, women got the right to vote in California.

X. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.