

2012/2013 Academic Senate

MINUTES
December 10, 2012

I. The meeting was called to order at 2:15 p.m. and roll call was taken by the Senate Administrator. Forty-three Senators were present.

Ex Officio:

Present: Von Till, Sabalius,
Lessow-Hurley
Worsnup, Van Selst

CASA Representatives:

Present: Schultz-Krohn, Semerjian, Goyal, Hebert, Cara

Administrative Representatives:

Present: Junn, Nance
Absent: Bibb, Qayoumi

COB Representatives:

Present: Reade, Nellen

Deans:

Present: Green, Vollendorf,
Stacks
Absent: Bienenfeld

EDUC Representatives:

Present: Kimbarow
Absent: Swanson

Students:

Present: Jeffrey, Postovoit,
Holsey
Absent: Condon, Lee, Miller

ENGR Representatives:

Present: Gleixner, Du, Backer

H&A Representatives:

Present: Brown, Frazier, Desalvo,
Bacich, Riley
Absent: Vanniarajian

Alumni Representative:

Present: Walters

SCI Representatives:

Present: McClory, Bros-Seemann, Kress
Absent: Cheruzel

Emeritus Representative:

Present: Buzanski

SOS Representatives:

Present: Heiden, Ng, Peter, Rudy, Wilson

Honorary Senators (Non-Voting):

Absent: Norton

General Unit Representatives:

Present: Winnard, Feind, Yi-Baker,
Rubio

II. Approval of Academic Senate Minutes–

The minutes of November 19, 2012 were approved as written.

III. Communications and Questions –

A. From the Chair of the Senate:

The Chair wished senators a wonderful holiday season and announced that there was cake and hot cider, and that the meeting would start at 2:15 p.m.

The university holiday celebration is this Wednesday afternoon from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Student Union Barrett Ballroom. Please bring a toy for the toy drive if you have not already

done so.

The football coach, Coach MacIntyre, has been hired by the University of Colorado.

The chair thanked senators for their hard work this semester. The Chair presented Eva Joice and Ashley Morales, the Senate Administrative Analyst and Senate Student Assistant, with holiday cards from the Senate and the Executive Committee.

At the CSU Senate Chairs' meeting, Chair Von Till discussed the recording of Senate meetings. The understanding is that in order to record a meeting all parties must agree to the recording. Senate meetings are open for people to attend as a matter of practice. However, the chairs were reminded that they did not have to have open meetings, because the Brown Act does not apply to state entities.

Chair Von Till thanked President Qayoumi and his wonderful wife for hosting the Senate at his home on December 2, 2012.

B. From the President of the University –

VP Nance gave the president's remarks. VP Nance congratulated Coach McIntyre and said that considering his success with the football team, his departure was not totally unexpected. The President and VP Nance thanked Coach McIntyre for his service, and wished him well.

A senator asked if Coach McIntyre would be staying for the bowl game, and VP Nance indicated he probably would not. The bowl game is December 27, 2012 in Washington D.C. According to the IRA fee agreement, students will receive up to 750 free tickets to the bowl game. The Athletics Department has already heard from some students that want to go to the game. The conferences pay the teams' travel costs for bowl games. Bowl proceeds go to the conference and the conference disseminates the money to conference members using a specific formula. The university will have to incur the cost of transporting the band to the bowl game. The Senate discussed the importance of having the band at a bowl game. The university is having a fundraiser to try and get donors to support the band. The Senate discussed the fact that even when the football team is successful and is invited to a bowl game, it costs us money to send them there. VP Nance responded that this is typically true unless you are in one of the Bowl Championship Series (BCS) bowls. His understanding is that in general the other 30 games tend to break even. The bowl game that we are playing in this year is the Military Bowl.

President Qayoumi has established an Auxillary Operational Review Taskforce. There are five auxillary operations in the university—Associated Students, Spartan Shops, The Student Union, The Research Foundation, and the Tower Foundation. About a year ago, the President started looking at ways to reduce the costs of administration in all of the auxiliaries by consolidating redundant or overlapping services. Last Fall, Beth Pugliese, from Spartan Shops, and Mary Sydney, from the Research Foundation, started looking at where they could start to synergize. Shortly after that, Cathy Busalacchi, from the Student Union, and Nancy Bussani, from the Tower Foundation, joined the conversation. With the recent passage of Measure D, which increases the minimum wage for employees, it is even more critical. Measure D will increase minimum wage salaries paid by the auxiliaries by about \$1 million.

President Qayoumi is considering consolidating four of the auxiliaries into a single university auxiliary as a legal entity that might be called SJSU Auxiliary Enterprises or something like that. Associated Students, by state statute, will not be combined. All four of the other auxiliary groups would continue to do what they do, but would operate as a single entity. This would allow them to have only one human resources department, one accounting department, etc. In addition, all information technology will be standardized to what the university has, and all human resources and accounting will be done through Peoplesoft.

The taskforce has two people from each of the auxiliaries as well as Josee Larochelle. The taskforce is to decide what can be centralized and consolidated, and what can be moved to the state side. The taskforce meets next week for the first time and will be charged then.

The Senate discussed what would happen to the separate boards of directors. All four boards of directors will become comparable to what they have now, but without the legal oversight. For example, this would free up Tower Foundation board members to focus more specifically on fundraising.

Concern was raised that the auxiliaries are wondering what the motivation is for the university to consolidate them, and also whether this will result in student workers being let go. The auxiliaries are also upset that they have been told they will be consolidated and had no input into this decision. The Senate discussed the fact that the auxiliaries' purpose is to assist the university, and that there is a great deal of duplication in their efforts. For instance, each auxiliary pays to have a \$70,000 audit conducted each year. However, the CSU requires a single integrated auxiliary audit, so the university then has to pay to have all four audits combined. VP Nance indicated that combining administrative processes should save the auxiliaries and the university money.

IV. Executive Committee Report –

A. Executive Committee Minutes –

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

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C. 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 (I&SA) –

Senator Du presented *AS 1497, Policy Recommendation, Enrollment Priorities for Former Students Returning (FSRs) (Final Reading)*.

Senator Van Selst presented an amendment to change the “Note” on page 2 to the last resolved clause and have it read, “Resolved, that FSRs supported by a new major should be treated as

“return to major;” and be it further.” Senator Bros-Seemann called the question. The Senate voted and the Bros-Seemann motion passed. The Senate then voted on the Van Selst amendment and the Van Selst amendment failed.

Senator Bros-Seemann presented a friendly amendment to change the “Note” on page 2 to the second from the last resolved clause and to modify it to read, “Resolved, that FSRs who seek approval for a new major should be treated as “return to major;” and be it further.” Senator Stacks presented a friendly amendment to the Bros-Seemann amendment to add, “, and be it further” to the 4th Resolved, number (5).

Senator Hebert presented an amendment to change the third from the bottom resolved clause on page 2 to read, “Resolved that the following priorities shall govern approval of the FSR petition of undergraduate students:” Senator Frazier called the question. The Senate voted and the Frazier motion passed. The Senate voted on the Hebert Amendment and it failed.

Senator Nance presented an amendment that was friendly to the body to change “(re)admission”, wherever it occurs in the policy, to read “admission”.

Senator Heiden presented an amendment that was friendly to the body to change “departments/colleges” to read, “departments and colleges” throughout the policy.

Senator Lessow-Hurley made a motion to refer the policy back to the I&SA Committee with instruction. Senator Backer called the question on the Lessow-Hurley motion. The Senate voted on calling the question and the motion failed. The Senate voted on the Lessow-Hurley motion to refer back to committee and the motion failed.

Senator Nance presented an amendment that was friendly to the body to replace the last resolved clause with, “Resolved, that this policy is to be effective for every available admission cycle unless prohibited by the Chancellor’s Office.” Senator Buzanski called the question. The Senate voted on the Buzanski motion and it passed. **The Senate voted on the Nance amendment and it passed.**

The Senate voted on AS 1497 and it passed as amended with no nays or abstentions.

B. University Library Board (ULB) – No Report.

C. Professional Standards Committee (PS) –

Senator Peter presented *AS 1496, Policy Recommendation, Evaluation in Effectiveness in Teaching for all Faculty (Final Reading)*.

Senator Peter presented several amendments that were friendly for the PS Committee. In D.4.d., “but public” should be stricken. In C.1.a., the word “of” should be inserted in the middle of, “conduct direct.” And, a comma should be inserted after “15.15” in the first paragraph of the rationale.

Senator McClory presented an amendment that was friendly to the body to reorder H on

page 13 to eliminate the duplicate number 2's.

Senator Frazier made an amendment that was friendly to the body to H.2., 6th line, to read, "...Incentives may include the avoidance of a temporary delay in the."

Senator Postovoit presented an amendment to D.4. to add an f. that reads, "f. First-time students both transfer and freshmen, would be able to view these comments with the same status as responding students." Senator Frazier presented an amendment that was friendly to the body to the Postovoit amendment to add, "If technically feasible," before "First-time students." **The Senate voted and the Postovoit amendment passed.**

Senator Nellen presented an amendment that was friendly to the body to spell out IEA, prior to using it the first time in the policy.

Senator Winnard presented an amendment to strike section D.4. Senator Postovoit called the question. The Senate voted on calling the question and it passed. The Senate voted on the Winnard amendment and it failed.

Senator Riley made a motion to extend the meeting for 15 minutes. The Senate voted and the Riley motion passed.

Senator Van Selst presented an amendment to add back in to C.4.b. the last line that had been stricken by the committee that reads, "By the time of review for promotion, observations should have been completed in a representative sampling of courses." The amendment was not seconded.

Senator Hebert presented an amendment to E.4. to replace the sentence, "Faculty may choose to exclude the survey results from one course per Academic Year from their periodic evaluation, provided that they teach at least fifteen units of courses during that Academic Year" with, "Faculty teaching fifteen through eighteen course units in an Academic Year may exclude one, while faculty teaching more than eighteen course units may exclude two courses from their periodic evaluation from those Academic Years." The Senate voted and the Hebert amendment failed.

Senator Postovoit called the question on AS 1496. The Senate voted and the motion passed. **The Senate voted on AS 1496 and it passed as amended with 1 nay.**

D. Curriculum and Research Committee (C&R) – No report.

E. Organization and Government Committee (O&G) - No report.

VII. Special Committee Reports –

VIII. New Business – None

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

A. Statewide Academic Senators – Moved to the next meeting.

B. Provost –

The Spring budget is not quite solidified yet.

We went over our enrollment target in the fall (106.5), so in the spring we are trying to annualize to 105 over the two semesters. The Provost is working closely with the deans.

The Provost met with the committee about the new Student Success and Excellence in Technology Fee and they are set to rollout the application process this spring.

There are two searches currently being conducted. There are two candidates for the Dean in the College of Engineering that will on campus this Tuesday and Thursday. In addition, the Deputy Provost search committee will be charged on December 19, 2012.

Although Proposition 30 passed, we are “still on life support.” The Provost is continuing to try and find positive things she can do for the faculty and students on campus.

C. Vice President for Administration and Finance – Moved to next meeting.

D. Vice President for Student Affairs – Moved to next meeting.

E. Associated Students President – Moved to next meeting.

F. Vice President for University Advancement – Moved to next meeting.

X. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.