

# SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY Engineering 285/287

Academic Senate 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

## 2000/2001 Academic Senate

### MINUTES January 29, 2001

#### I. The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. and attendance was noted.

**Ex Officio:**

Present: Caret, Gorney-Moreno, Shifflett, McNeil

Absent: Davila, Hegstrom

**Administrative Representatives:**

Present: Kassing, Noble, Rascoe, Caret

Absent: Lee

**Deans:**

Present: Breivik, Novak, Sigler

Absent: Hidalgo

**Students:**

Present: Drummond, Shetty, Zajac

Absent: Casas, Davila, Haggas, Saran

**Alumni Representative:**

Absent: Hollands

**Emeritus Representative:**

Present: Buzanski

**Honorary Senators (Non-Voting):**

**CASA Representatives:**

Present: Glogoski, Malloy, Saltmarch

Absent: Briggs

**COB Representatives:**

Present: Nellen

Absent: Donoho

**ED Represent:**

Present: Rickford, Sosniak

Absent: Lessow-Hurley

**ENG Representatives:**

Present: Singh

Absent: Huang, Hambaba

**H&A Representatives:**

Present: Huebner, Williams

Absent: Manning, Stork, Van Hooff, Vanniarajan

**SCI Representatives:**

Present: Garcia, Hamill, Matthes, Stacks, Veregge

**SOS Representatives:**

Present: Norton, Young

Present: Brent, Nuger, Roth

**General Unit Representatives:**

Absent: McNeil

Present: Carolin, Whitlatch,  
Thames**SW Representative:**

Absent: Austin

**II. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of December 11, 2000 were approved with corrections.

**III. Communications**

## A. From the Chair of the Senate

Chair Mary Jo Gorney –Moreno updated Senators on the status of the Classrooms Report. She told the Senate that she had recently met with Paul Brown, Executive Assistant to the Provost and Dan Johnson, Associate Vice President in Facilities, Development and Operations. In researching the problems with the status of classrooms they found that there seems to be confusion in the responsibility for classrooms and the how to report a problem. Facilities has developed a plan to refurbish classrooms, fix blinds and holes in various classroom walls as well as the maintenance of the physical structures. Facilities currently developing a mechanism for reporting physical problems on the web and by setting up a help line. Dr. Brown, Chair Gorney-Moreno and the assistant to the Vice President for Administration will send out a survey this spring to assess the satisfaction of campus with eh grounds. Dan Johnson has been asked to develop another survey that will gather data on satisfaction with teaching classrooms.

Dr. Brown and Chair Gorney-Moreno also met with Bill Nance, Interim Associate Vice President of Instruction & research Services to discuss issues related to transporting overhead projectors, computers and LCD projectors across campus. Bill Nance has agreed to a temporary pilot program this spring that will assist with the set up and delivery of the above mentioned audiovisual equipment in faculty classrooms.

At the statewide level Chair Gorney-Moreno has been appointed to the Faculty Flow Committee as a representative of Senate Chairs from a metropolitan campus in northern California. They will be examining issues related to recruitment, retention and retirement of faculty. At this time the committee is reviewing a report in faculty recruitment in the CSU system from the CSU Human Resources Division. At this time the committee is asking for assistance in advertising from the system. They are hoping that the system would consider advertising for open positions at various campuses in a source such as the *Chronicle of Higher Education*.

We are also gathering data to determine if the CSU should fund open houses at major national or state conferences to recruit. I ask all who are aware of best practices from another university or

system of a Silicon Valley firm that you would recommend that we explore, please send the information to [aschair@email.sjsu.edu](mailto:aschair@email.sjsu.edu).

The Chair drew the Senates attention to the information items in the back of the Senate packet. She asked them to note the memorandum from the Student Evaluation Review Board updating you on their activities piloting a revised student opinion of teaching form. She also asked them to read the a draft document from the CSU titled, *CSu at the*

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. She announced that she would organize a fireside chat so that the Senators would have the opportunity to discuss the document and send feedback to the authors in Long Beach.

She concluded her remarks by announcing that the Senate would take a fifteen-minute break to honor the "excellent contribution of Interim Provost Lela Noble."

B. From the President of the University - None

#### **IV. Executive Committee Report**

A. Minutes of Executive Committee

December 11, 2000- no questions asked.

Budget Advisory Committee

December 11, 2000- no questions asked.

B. Consent Calendar-None

C. Executive Committee Action Items

Mary Jo Gorney-Moreno Chair of the Academic Senate presented AS 1137 Naming Opportunity to the Academic Senate in a closed Executive Session. Many of the Senators commented on the resolution and asked questions. After a short question and debate period a vote was taken. The Senate unanimously passed AS 1137 Naming Opportunity.

## V. Unfinished Business

### VI. Senator Pam Stacks Chair of Organization and Government presented As 1131

*Policy Recommendation*

*Alcohol and Drug Abuse*

*Prevention Committee*

*Composition*

for a final reading. She drew the attention of the Senate to the revised areas of the proposal. During the debate session Student Senator Akbar Shetty questioned Senator Stacks intensely on the committee structure. His questions were focused on the lack of Associated Students presence on the committee. He introduced an amendment to the proposal which was unsuccessful when called for a vote. Other Senators offered friendly amendments involving grammatical changes. They were accepted as friendly. After much debate from the Senate the question was called. The Senate then voted and passed AS 1131 with one abstention.

Senator Jonathan Roth Chair of Curriculum and Research presented AS 1133

*Sense of the Senate*

*Resolution Supporting*

*the University*

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*Student Research*

*Competition*

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for a final reading. He urged the Senate to support our students and the CSU's mission to support student research. After a short period of question and debate a vote was taken. The Senate then voted and passed AS 1133 unanimously.

Senator Pam Stacks Chair, of Organization and Government presented AS 1136 *Senate Management Resolution Meeting Times of Senate Operating Committees* for a first reading. Senator Stacks and Senator Marilyn Austin Chair of the Election Committee discussed the importance of having preset Operating Committee Meeting times. Explaining the complexities and consumption of time involved in filing seats on Operating Committees and by how having a senate management resolution that preset times for committees would help potential committee members better select a committee to serve on. Senator Stacks took questions from Senators. She went on to thank them and said that she would take all suggestions back to her committee for consideration.

Senator Annette Nellen Chair of Professional Standards presented AS1138

*Senate Management*

*Resolution Creating a*

*temporary External*

*Relations Task Force*

to the Senate

for a final reading. Senator Nellen explained that SM-F99-1 *Improving*

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had been passed

the past Fall and called for the creation of such a task force. Many Senators had questions regarding the creation of another committee. Senator Nellen explained that the final resolved clause of AS 1138 called for the submission of a report to Organization and Government (O&G) within one year of formation. O&G will then decide whether the committee should become part of the Senate structure or not. After many questions and much debate, the question was called.

The Senate then voted and passed the AS 1138 unanimously.

**Policy Committee Action Items. In rotation.**

**A. Organization and Government Committee - None**

**B. Instruction and Student Affairs Committee - None**

**B. University Library Board - None**

- **Committee on Committee - None**
- **Professional Standards - None**

**F. Curriculum and Research - None**

**VII. Special Committee Reports - None**

**VIII. New Business**

Senator Buzanski AS 1139 *Sense of the Senate Resolution Departmental Relations with Retired Faculty*

from the floor.

Senator Buzanski explained the necessity of such a proposal, stating that many retired faculty have passed away in recent years and that the campus community had not been informed in many instances. Senator Buzanski noted that many departments have simply lost contact with retired faculty due to a number of factors in the university. Stating, that he hoped a Senate resolution would help encourage college departments to keep updated information on all retired faculty members. During the question period many Senators supported the resolution. The Senate voted and passed AS1139 unanimously.

**IX.** The meeting was adjourned at 4:45PM.