

2011/2012 Academic Senate

MINUTES
May 14, 2012

I. The meeting was called to order at 2:04 p.m. and roll call was taken by the Associate Vice Chair McClory and Senator Frazier. Forty Senators were present.

Ex Officio:

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

CASA Representatives:

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

Administrative Representatives:

Present: Junn, Qayoumi, Bibb,
Bussani, Nance

COB Representatives:

Present: Reade, Nellen
Absent: Campsey

Deans:

Present: Stacks, Bienenfeld, Chin,
Merdinger

EDUC Representatives:

Present: Kimbarow
Absent: Swanson, P.

Students:

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

ENGR Representatives:

Present: Gleixner, Backer, Du

Alumni Representative:

Absent: Walters

H&A Representatives:

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

Emeritus Representative:

Present: Buzanski

SCI Representatives:

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

Honorary Senators (Non-Voting):

Absent: Norton

SOS Representatives:

Present: Heiden, Ng, Peter, Rudy, Terry

General Unit Representatives:

Present: Kauppila
Absent: Bettencourt

II. Approval of Academic Senate Minutes– N/A

III. Communications and Questions –

A. From the Chair of the Senate:

Chair Von Till thanked Senators for their hard work all year. This has been a year full of change with a new President and Provost.

Chair Von Till handed out Certificates of Service to departing Senators.

The Senate gave Senator Buzanski a standing ovation and presented him with a plaque in honor of his more than 45 years of continuing service to the Senate and the University.

Senator van Hooff was not present, but the Senate also acknowledged her 15 years of service with a plaque.

B. From the President of the University –

President Qayoumi presented Chair Von Till with a plaque in honor of her service as Senate Chair for 2011-2012.

IV. Executive Committee Report –

A. Executive Committee Minutes – N/A

B. Consent Calendar –

The Senate approved the Senate Calendar for 2012-2013.

C. Executive Committee Action Items:

Senator Peter made a motion to limit debate. The Senate voted and the motion was approved by a 2/3^{rds} vote.

Senator Heiden presented *AS 1487, Sense of the Senate Resolution, Smoking Policy (Final Reading)*. **The Senate voted and the AS 1487 was approved.**

Senator Ng presented *AS 1488, Sense of the Senate Resolution, Honoring and Thanking Dr. Joan Merdinger for her service to the University and the Senate (Final Reading)*. **The Senate voted and AS 1488 was approved.** The Senate gave Senator Merdinger a standing ovation.

V. Unfinished Business:

Senator Kimbarow presented *AS 1486, Senate Management Resolution, Change to the Composition of the Strategic Planning Board (Final Reading)*. **The Senate voted and AS 1486 was approved with No Nays and 1 Abstention.**

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

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

Senator Gleixner presented *AS 1480, Policy Recommendation, Consent for Recording of Class and Public Sharing of Instructor Material, Amends F06-2 (Final Reading)*. **The Senate voted and AS 1480 was approved.**

Senator Gleixner presented *AS 1482, Policy Recommendation, Sound Level at Campus Events (Final Reading)*. Senator Buzanski presented a friendly amendment to change the third Whereas, 4th line, to read, “in an informal manner, and the members believed that the 65-85 decibel range was reasonable; and.” Senator Rudy presented a friendly amendment to the first whereas clause to change the second sentence, “...as to not be over disruptive to classes and offices; and” to read, “...as not to be overly disruptive to classes and offices; and.” Senator Bibb presented a friendly amendment to the 5th Whereas clause change the first line

to read, “i.e.” instead of “e.g.” **The Senate voted and AS 1482 was approved as amended.**

Senator Gleixner presented *AS 1483, Policy Recommendation, Advertising Campus Events: Flyers, Banners, Chalking, Etc. (Final Reading)*. **The Senate voted and AS 1483 was approved with 1 Nay, and No Abstentions.**

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

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

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

Senator Bros-Seemann presented *AS 1485, Sense of the Senate Resolution, Temporary Suspension of Enforcement of the Requirement that Students must Enroll in Courses for Areas R, S, and V in SJSU Studies in three different departments (Final Reading)*. Senator Bros-Seemann presented two amendments to change the Sense of the Senate Resolution into a Policy Recommendation, and to add a new Resolved clause to read, “Resolved that the Curriculum and Research Committee be charged with seeking a long term solution which is fair to all students and still maintains the need for breadth requirements in the SJSU Studies program. The Senate voted and the Bros-Seemann Amendments were approved with No Nays and 1 Abstention. **The Senate voted and AS 1485 was approved as amended.**

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

VII. Special Committee Reports – No reports.

VIII. New Business – None.

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

A. Vice President for University Advancement –

Senator Bussani announced that the university has a \$200 million goal for the fundraising campaign and as of April 30, 2012, we have reached the \$172 million mark. University Advancement hopes to reach a \$20 million goal for next year. It has been a challenging year for the campaign.

B. Statewide Academic Senators–

Senator Van Selst emailed Senators information on resolutions at the CSU Statewide Senate.

C. Provost –

Provost Junn thanked Senators for their hard work. The Provost has been working on the Academic Affairs Budget Plan, changes to membership of the SPB, and changes to the Academic Plan.

Questions:

The Senate discussed the proposed new student fees and concern was expressed as to whether student financial aid would pay for the increase. The Provost explained that students receiving financial aid should not see any change. Many of the campuses that have instituted these fees have not included everything the Provost wants to include for students. The Provost noted that all of this money will go to supporting students and student success.

Every campus does the approval of student fees differently. The alternative consultation process was used, because student turnout for voting is low and students were able to get more information/education on what the fee would be used for and were able to give feedback. About ten meetings were held with different student groups about the student fee increase with approximately 320 students in attendance. Some of the students were opposed, but in the end CFAC approved it.

The Senate discussed whether student fee increases could be changing the economic composition of our student population.

The Senate discussed possibly moving off of D2L to a new learning platform called Canvas. It has been adopted by 164 other universities. The new product is cloud-based. The price quoted also included 24/7 customer support from representatives in the United States. The cost would be about 1/3rd of the cost of D2L. Also, if the company were to go out of business, they have said they would give us the code so we could run it. In addition, since it would be operating in the amazon cloud, the system would not have to be taken down to put up a new version. With Moodle, the software is free, but it is not cloud-based and you still have to buy the servers and have people run the servers. Also, Moodle would charge \$5.00 per call for customer support. The conversion would not happen for about a year.

D. Vice President for Administration and Finance –

The May revise looks worse than previously thought and the \$200 million trigger for the CSU could be moved to \$250 million. This could mean over \$3 million more in cuts for SJSU.

E. Vice President for Student Affairs –

The East and West side occupancy of the new Student Union is supposed to be ready next summer. The dining room and ballroom will be relocated in the new Student Union for the 2013-2014 academic year. The old Student Union will be shut down for remodeling with hopes of being reopened in summer 2014.

Housing is between 91 to 98% of occupancy right now. There have been only a small number of exceptions, fewer than 100 appeals, and none of the appeals were turned down.

Enrollment for 2012-2013 is expected to be at 104% to 106% of our enrollment target. Early indications are that almost all students that have applied plan on coming. The enrollment ceiling that the CSU has provided us for next year will be 5% over target. We were penalized this year for being more than 3% over our enrollment target. We should be really close to the 5% this year. For each 1% we were over target this year, we were penalized \$1 million. A significant portion of exceeding enrollment target is based on continuing students. Last year we had about 3,800 to 3,900 Frosh, and 3,900 transfer students due to the need to take out of area students to fill housing, and not clearly defined impaction rules. This coming year we anticipate 3,200 new transfers, and 3,200 new Frosh.

F. Associated Students President –

The new AS President is Calvin Worsnup. One student was recommended to the Governor for the Student Trustee seat. Her name is Sarah Couch.

AS President Kolodziejak thanked Senators and said it had been a “pleasure and honor serving on the Senate” for his two years as the AS President. The Senate gave him a standing ovation.

X. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 3:32 p.m.