

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES
September 29, 2003

1. The Executive Committee reviewed and approved the Consent Calendar with the exception of Allison Heisch to the Budget Advisory Committee.
2. Chair Nellen announced that the constitutional amendment to add lecturers to the Senate had passed by a faculty vote of 243 to 96. Interim President Joe Crowley ratified the amendment by email on Friday, September 26, 2003.
3. Policy Committee Updates:
 - a. Judith Lessow-Hurley gave an update on what the Curriculum and Research Committee is currently working on. They are working on a policy that would cover interdisciplinary programs.
 - b. Gilda Pour gave an update on what the Instruction and Student Affairs Committee is working on. They are working on several referrals including, mandatory email, and grade inflation. Chair Pour said that the students assigned to the committee had not shown up for the 2nd meeting.
 - c. Chair Nellen gave an update on what the Organization and Government Committee is working on. Chair Nellen said that the Organization and Government Committee would be bringing a policy to the Senate today on enlarging the membership of the Program Planning Committee. They are also going to be looking at the Senate structure, and whether we have too many committees.
 - d. Michael Katz gave an update on what the Professional Standards Committee has been working on. Chair Katz said that 4 mailboxes are being placed around campus where SOTEs can be dropped off. Chair Katz said the committee is working on a request by the Affirmative Action Committee to change their name and charge.
4. Marshall Rose and Sandy Dewitz gave an update on enrollment. Marshall said the number of continuing students is up, but the number of first time freshman is down. Marshall said that we have "tightened up" on admissions. We have also pushed up enrollment deadlines. Provost Goodman stated that the Chancellor's office would like us to take mainly upper division transfers, and have students complete their lower division work at the community colleges. Provost Goodman said he believes that with online, evening, and summer courses, we can graduate students in between 4 and 5 years.
5. Chair Nellen said that it is time to setup the Award committees for the President's Scholar, Distinguished Service, and Outstanding Professor Awards. The Executive Committee approved having Chair Nellen work with Irene Miura in the President's office to set these committees up.

6. Chair Nellen said that we need a graduate student for the Enrollment Management Task Force, but have been unable to find one available to serve on the committee. Michael Katz said he may know of a student, and he will check into it.

7. Provost Goodman gave a brief update on the WAC Athletic Alliance. Provost Goodman stated that when he got here he realized that the WAC didn't involve the Provosts in any of the Athletics decisions. He came up with a proposal to start a Provosts' group within the WAC, and was named the lead Provost in the group. The group lobbies Congress to get funds earmarked for areas such as the nurse shortage, natural disasters, and terrorist prevention. The Nursing Deans currently have a proposal in front of Congress for \$3 million. Provost Goodman said he wants to see the Provosts have a more aggressive role in athletics policy making. Provost Goodman said the Provosts were against the Athletic Directors' proposal to throw-out the 6-unit rule. The 6-unit rule prohibits athletes from post-season play if they do not pass 6 units. The University Presidents sided with the Provosts and not the Athletic Directors in this issue. Provost Goodman said that Congress earmarks \$2 billion per year. If we get out of Division 1A we will lose this opportunity to work with other universities for research dollars. California and Texas, represented in the WAC, have strong lobbying power in Congress, because we have so many legislators.