

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES August 29, 2005

Present: Nellen, Phillips, Thames, Veregge, Lessow-Hurley, Kassing, Ashton, Lee, Bros, Van Selst, Sigler, Gutierrez, McClory, Parsons, Van Selst

1. The Executive Committee reviewed and approved the minutes of August 12, 2005.
2. The Executive Committee discussed the campus reading program. Discussion groups are currently underway, and "Jeopardy" will be held on September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2005. The Executive Committee discussed the Stanley Benz/Dean's Emergency Loan Fund for students. Students may receive up to \$50 in cash within two hours of applying. The fund currently has only \$1,200 in it, and donations are encouraged.
3. The Executive Committee discussed the Academic Senate Retreat. The theme this year is Student Success. It was decided that the Senate Retreat would be held on November 18, 2005, rather than in Spring 2006. The Executive Committee discussed whether to have a keynote speaker. It was decided that there was insufficient time to recruit an off-campus keynote speaker. It was suggested that a panel of people that attended the "Greater Expectations" conference would be helpful. The Executive Committee discussed and approved the involvement of the Student Success Committee.
4. The Executive Committee discussed and approved the consent calendar. The Provost was asked to appoint members to the Admissions and Standards Committee.
5. The Executive Committee discussed and approved a ***Sense of the Senate Resolution, Honoring United States Senator J. William Fulbright on the Occasion of the Celebration of his Centennial Year*** (14-0-0). Provost Sigler will present this resolution to the Senate on September 26, 2005.
6. The Executive Committee discussed membership on Senate Committees from the College of Social Work. Current Senators and committee members from the College of Social Work will remain in their seats through the academic year. Committee vacancies for representatives from the College of Social Work that are unfilled by the 4<sup>th</sup> week of the semester will not be filled.
7. The Executive Committee discussed the possibility of adding Alumni and other community members to the UPC (University Planning Council) Panels. It was decided that the UPC Panels would be instructed that they could meet with any alumni and/or community members that they might want to seek

input from. Chair Veregge will notify the UPC Panels, and VP Ashton will consult with the President of the Alumni Association.

8. The Executive Committee discussed UPC Advisory Panel membership. The UPC will prepare a list of the panels and their current membership for discussion at the next Executive Committee meeting on September 12, 2005.
9. The Executive Committee discussed "Constitution Day." The Political Science department will be hosting a discussion on "Presidential Powers regarding the War" in honor of this day on September 20, 2005. The Executive Committee discussed the possibility of holding a separate event to discuss the "Solomon Amendment." The committee discussed other possible topics such as "The Bill of Rights." There was discussion as to whether the Political Science Department and Senate events could be combined. Chair Veregge will look into.
10. The Executive Committee discussed the fact that the nondiscrimination Policy is in the hard copy of the SJSU catalog, but is not in the online copy. The committee also discussed the best place in the catalog and the appropriate language to note that, because of the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell Policy," one campus program, the Air Force ROTC does not conform to SJSU's nondiscrimination policy.
11. The Executive Committee discussed and approved the appointment of Anne Lawrence to the Campus Fee Advisory Committee.
12. The Executive Committee discussed upcoming brainstorming activities on building a community for student success. Socrates Café will be held on August 31, 2005, from 3-4 p.m. in the Pacifica Room.
13. The Executive Committee discussed the viability of an award for Assistant Professors that show outstanding development. The Executive Committee discussed the need for the Assistant Professor to have attained tenure prior to any award. It was decided that this was best handled at the college level for now. It was noted that the Dean of the College of Science buys university regalia for his/her newly tenured/promoted faculty, and that this is greatly appreciated.