Minutes of the
Academic Senate Meeting
Tuesday, November 15, 2011
UU220, 3:10 to 5:00pm

I. Minutes: the minutes of October 4 and October 25 were approved as presented.

II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): none.

III. Reports:
   A. Academic Senate Chair: none.
   B. President’s Office: none.
   C. Provost: none.
   D. Vice Provost for Student Affairs: none.
   E. Statewide Senate: Foroohar reported that there is a high level of concern and frustration among statewide senators about top-down initiatives planned by the Chancellor’s Office and the Board of Trustees with no meaningful consultation with the faculty. These initiatives include the Graduation Initiative, the Early Start Program, the SB 1440 (Star Act) community college transfer degree, and most recently the CSU on-line initiative. In response to the latest top-down action on the on-line initiative, the statewide senate unanimously approved a resolution “The Faculty Role and Campus Participation in the CSU On-line Initiative,” which resolved that “the ASCSU strongly assert that the best on-line programs develop from faculty working in a quality assurance structure which adheres to department, college, and university curricular review procedures ....” Another resolution “Early Faculty Involvement in California State University (CSU) Initiatives,” which was discussed as a first reading item and will return to the senate plenary for voting in January, states that “The pattern of announcing decisions and then asking for faculty help in implementing the initiatives is not what is meant by shared governance.” LoCascio reported that the statewide Academic Affairs Committee is writing a white paper on best practices for the CSU and on-line programs, which will be available on January 2012.
   F. CFA Campus President: Thorncroft reported that at last week’s rally held on campus over 100 faculty members, staff and students participated.
   G. ASI Representative: Tabrizi announced that the lease for Chase Bank in the University Union is for 5-years with a 5-year option to renew. The University Union Advisory Board will determine the fee structure for the new Rec Center.

IV. Special Reports: none.

V. Consent Agenda: approved as presented.
VI. Business Item(s):
A. \textbf{Resolution on Consent Agenda Review Duration for Curricular Proposals (Curriculum Committee)}: Schaffner, chair of the Curriculum Committee presented this resolution, which recommends shortening the Consent Agenda notice time provided to senators from three weeks to two weeks. \textit{M/S/P to approve the resolution}

B. \textbf{Resolution on Course Outcomes/Objectives (WASC/Academic Senate Integrated Student Learning Work Group)}: Giberti presented this resolution, which requests that all course learning outcomes/objectives be aligned to the program learning objectives, be approved by program faculty, communicated to students, and “publish” on course syllabus. Resolution will return as a second reading item.

VII. Discussion Item(s): none.

VIII. Adjournment: 4:48 pm

Submitted by,

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