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Minutes

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ROLL CALL

Present: Barrena, Campbell, Clark, Colen, Decious, Dillon (Parliamentarian), Figler, Freund, Gillott, Hallinan, Hayashigatani, Herman, Holl, Huff, Jakob, Kho, Kornweibel, Kutchins, Marsh, Martell, D. Martin, L. Martin, Mattos, Joan Maxwell, John Maxwell, McGeary, McGowan, Miller, Moore, Moorehead, Nicola, Olson, Palmer, Pacholke, Pyne, Reinelt, G. Shannon, Simpson, Summers, Toder, Tooker, Torcom, Tzakiri, Urone, Wade, Wheeler, White, Whitesel, Wright

Absent: Amos, Bach, Cooper, Cross, Glovinsky, Harriman, Haq, Johnson, Kando, Lewis, McClure, Meyer, Morrow, W. Shannon, Shek, Stroumpos, Swanson, Winters, Yousif

INFORMATION

A moment of silence was observed in honor of:

JOE NEWSON
Heavy Equipment Operation/Bus Driver
CSUS 1971-1988

A moment of silence was observed in sympathy with the grief of those affected by the San Francisco earthquake.

ACTION ITEMS

AS 89-79A.2/Ex., Flr. G.E. RATIONALE AND OBJECTIVES

The Academic Senate endorses, in principle, the GERT recommended statement, titled "Rationale and Objectives of the CSUS General Education Program" (Appendix, pages 99-102) and refers the GERT recommended statement to the General Education Committee as a draft under consideration for adoption as a new campus statement with the request that the G.E. Committee review the "draft", in consultation with area subcommittees and academic departments, and return it to the Senate with its comments and recommendations, if any, no later than December

15, 1989.

The Academic Senate further recommends that the G.E. Committee in preparing a statement for the Senate delete any references to specific disciplines.

Carried.

AS 89-79B/Ex., Flr. G.E. RATIONALE AND OBJECTIVES

The Academic Senate endorses, in principle, the GERT recommendation that the new statement of G.E. rationale and objectives adopted inform the course design, course review and approval processes, and course instructional goals. (pages 10-11, 38-40, 45-48)

Carried.

AS 89-79C.1/Ex., Flr. G.E. RATIONALE AND OBJECTIVES

The Academic Senate tables AS 89-79C.1 [DA. The Academic Senate endorses, in principle, the GERT recommendation that the course review/approval process be modified to provide that all courses included currently or proposed for inclusion in the G.E. Program be evaluated ~~and ranked~~ according to the degree that the course satisfies area or sub-area criteria and the relative value the course would have in serving the overall goals of G.E. (page 46)].

Carried.

AS 89-79C.2/Ex., Flr. G.E. RATIONALE AND OBJECTIVES

The Academic Senate refers the GERT proposal on modification of the course review/approval process, including aspects of the ranking process proposed by GERT, to the General Education Committee for further development, in consultation with members of area subcommittees and academic departments, and recommendation to the Senate by December 15, 1989.

Carried.

AS 89-80/Ex.Flr. G.E. CONTENT AREA REVISIONS - AREA A: BASIC SUBJECTS (WRITTEN COMPOSITION)

The Academic Senate endorses, in principle, the GERT recommendation to require a second semester of English composition (pages 11, 13, 53) and requests that the English Department, by December 1, 1989, in consultation with administrators and other campus bodies, as appropriate,

- 1) recommend and provide a rationale to the Senate on whether or not a second semester course in English composition should be required. If a second semester of English composition is recommended, the rationale shall address the

- need for such a course in light of other writing requirements (e.g., advanced study);
- 2) advise the Senate on whether a second semester course in English composition, if required, should be part of the G.E. Program or a separate graduation requirement;
 - 3) recommend to the Senate a statement of objectives and criteria for a second semester course in English composition;
 - 4) provide an analysis of the fiscal and staffing implications of implementation of the requirement (as a G.E. requirement or as a graduation requirement); and
 - 5) provide a plan for implementation of the requirement that would minimize negative impact on the Department of English.

Carried.

AS 89-81/Ex., Flr. G.E. CONTENT AREA REVISION - LIBRARY COMPONENT

The Academic Senate endorses, in principle, the GERT recommendation that students be provided instruction in library use and be expected to demonstrate competence in use of library skills. The Academic Senate requests that the G.E. Committee, in consultation with the Area A Subcommittee and library faculty, consider the GERT proposal to include a library component in all Area A courses (pages 13, 54) as well as other approaches to library instruction, and develop, by February 15, 1989, a recommendation on library instruction for the Senate's consideration.

Carried.

AS 89-82/Ex., Flr. G.E. CONTENT REVISION - AREA B: THE PHYSICAL UNIVERSE AND ITS LIFE FORMS

The Academic Senate accepts for consideration, GERT's recommendation that all courses in Area B-1 (Physical Sciences) and B-2 (Life Sciences) include a laboratory component (page 55), and requests that departments offering courses in these areas consider this proposal and advise the Senate on the merit and feasibility of the proposal by December 1, 1989.

Defeated.

The hour of adjournment having been reached, the following items were postponed to the November 2 Senate meeting:

AS 89-83/Ex. G.E. CONTENT REVISION - AREA B

AS 89-84/Ex. G.E. CONTENT REVISION - AREA C: THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES (FOREIGN LANGUAGE SKILLS COURSES)

AS 89-85/Ex. G.E. CONTENT REVISION - AREA C-2 (ARTS, HUMANITIES, AND FOREIGN LANGUAGES)

AS 89-86/Ex. G.E. CONTENT REVISION - AREA D: THE INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIETY (CODE COURSES)

AS 89-87/Ex. G.E. CONTENT REVISION - AREA D-1 (FOUNDATIONS IN SOCIAL SCIENCE)

AS 89-88/Ex. G.E. CONTENT AREA REVISIONS - AREAS B, C, D ("FUNDAMENTAL" AND "SECONDARY" COURSES)

AS 89-89/Ex. G.E. CONTENT REVISION - AREA E: UNDERSTANDING PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

AS 89-90/Ex. G.E. CONTENT REVISION - ALL AREAS

AS 89-91/Ex. G.E. CONTENT REVISION

AS 89-92/Ex. G.E. PROGRAM--ENGINEERING/COMPUTER SCIENCE VARIATION

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

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