

CSU, SACRAMENTO
2011-12 FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, November 8, 2011
3:00-5:00
Sacramento Hall, Room 275

Present: Buckley, Cortez, Hammersley, Hecsh, Koegel, Krabacher, Miller, Noel, Peigahi, Pinch, Russell, Sheley, Sheppard, Van Gaasbeck, Wagner

Guests: Juanita Barrena, Lynn Hanna (CODE), Chevelle Newsome

MINUTES:

1. Minutes from October 25, 2011 were approved as amended.
 5. GSPC academic forgiveness – Miller explained that the policy is more ~~out~~ about GPA
2. Agenda was reordered to add Faculty Rights, Responsibilities and Professional Ethics as part of 5. Also number 4. should be labeled accordingly: Pre-requisite C grade issue. Agenda was approved as amended.
3. Open forum –
 - Buckley updated the committee on Lottery Funds and the upcoming budget. He warned that the 100 million dollar cut discussed earlier, most likely will be a reality. The Online Initiative and enrollment were also discussed.
 - Miller discussed the shared governance resolution that the Academic Senate, Executive Committee has written. The resolution requests that faculty be informed, in early stages, when changes affecting them are being discussed. The resolution will go back to the Faculty Affairs Committee for finalization.
 - Barrena voiced concerns about the following items referred to CPC: 1) What Sac State should do with pre-majors in impacted majors? 2) Program Impaction Policy 3) Title 5 in regards to the number of units in B.A. and B.S. and our policy and the discrepancies. Sheley spoke about the problems related to impacted programs with regards to CMS. CPC Chair Pinch described that: 1) Pre-major recommendations have been sent to APC, although additional concerns have been brought to CPC's attention (such as the Program of Design and transfer students). 2) A Program Impaction sub-committee has been formed and is meeting weekly to formulate a recommended policy. She hopes to have some recommendations to the Executive Committee by the next meeting. 3) CPC will be putting forth language recommending to the Executive that programs use Title 5 language, although we will not be recommending that programs reduce their recommended units unless they decide to. Some concerns were discussed in allowing students to declare themselves as pre-majors in such impacted programs as Nursing. CPC will continue working on the above areas and will be bringing information forward to the Executive Committee shortly.
 - Noel discussed the latest change from the last Senate meeting to re-open the Instructional Program Priorities, college based nominations until next Tuesday, November 15th. A

discussion took place regarding the committee, nominations and statements. Members will be elected at the next Senate meeting.

4. Chair's business -

- Sheppard welcomed and introduced Lynn Hanna from the Committee on Diversity and Equity.
- Chair Sheppard spoke of the letter that Michael McKeough wrote objecting to the characterization that had previously been made by IRT regarding their budget reductions. Michael wanted this information to be formally on record, listing the stated discrepancies.
- Chair Sheppard discussed the correspondence that Scott Ferrand wrote regarding the Senate Committee on Instructional Program Priorities. Chair Sheppard asked for clarification from the Executive Committee and their preference as to which/all correspondence get sent to the SCIPP's committee, once it is created and working. A discussion took place.

Motion:

The Executive Committee will hold onto this particular correspondence and forward it to the Instructional Program Priorities Committee (SCIPP), unendorsed, once the committee is formed.

carried with one abstention

5. GSPC – prerequisite C grade issue – clarification: When pre-requisite C grade issues are addressed, they affect undergraduate levels only.
6. The Faculty Rights and Responsibilities on Professional Ethics document was discussed as well as the transmittal from FPC stating that a single web page be developed and maintained that contains a list of and links to all policies and documents relating to key issues of faculty responsibilities. FPC further recommends that a web page be posted, at a minimum, on the web sites of Academic Affairs, Human Resources, Faculty Senate, and the University homepage. VP Wagner circulated the American Association of University Professors Policy Documents and Reports. It was recommended that language changes be sent directly to Chair Noel, chair of FPC. Some suggested that the Senate get the policy documents out in front of the Senate and vote on them.

Motion:

A motion, on behalf of the Executive Committee, to refer The Faculty Rights and Responsibilities on Professional Ethics document and the Student's Rights and Responsibilities back to both the Faculty Policies Committee and Academic Policies Committees jointly. It was also suggested that perhaps a joint workgroup, ad-hoc committee with a few members from both FPC and APC be created.

carried unanimously

7. All Executive Committee members agreed that Area B Learning Outcomes be placed on the next Senate agenda, as is, as a first reading item with a positive endorsement.

8. The Timely Adoption of Textbooks and Instructional Materials Proposed Resolution (sent by Melissa Repa) was discussed. Chair Noel pointed out that FPC has been looking at textbook issues. She reminded the Executive Committee that FPC has already conducted a textbook survey and that a Textbook Survey Report (draft) was written. It was decided to postpone this issue until the next Executive Committee meeting.
9. The additional items will be discussed at the next Executive Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 15th.