ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING

MINUTES

TUESDAY, November 1, 2011

SEVEN HILLS
CONFERENCE CENTER, NOB HILL ROOM

2:00 - 5:00 p.m.

OPEN FLOOR PERIOD: 2:00 - 2:10 p.m.
The Open Floor Period provides an informal opportunity for faculty members to raise questions or make comments directed to Senate officers or to university administrators. Please arrive promptly at 2:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: 2:10 p.m.

ATTENDANCE:

Anderson, David  Garcia, Oswaldo  Rothman, Barry
Alvarenga, Gabriela  Getz, Trevor  Rourke, David
Barranco, Joseph  Ginwala, Cyrus  Runquist, Beth
Bartscher, Patricia  Hanley, Lawrence  Salama, Mohammad
Beatty, Brian  Hayes, Nancy  Sherwin, Paul
Bolter, Nicole  Hellman, David  Sigmon, Mark
Chernoff, Maxine  Henderson, Barbara  Steier, Saul
Cholette, Susan  Holzman, Barbara  Taylor, Don
Cleary, John  Hyun, Helen  Trautman, Ray
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**Absences:** Azadpur, Mohammad (on leave F11); Boyle, Andrea (exc); Davis, Harvey ?Skip? (exc); Girouard, Shirley (exc); Hood, Pamela (exc); Privé, Alice (exc); Stowers, Genie (exc); Strong, Rob (exc); Yee-Melichar, Darlene (exc)
Guests: Andrew Gutierrez, Sacha Bunge, Helen Goldsmith, Patricia Irvine, Kasra Varzaghani, Ann Hallum, Leslye Tinson, Julia Lewis, David Gard, Shawn Whalen, Gene Chelberg, Linda Buckley, Jo Volkert,

With a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcements were made.

AGENDA ITEM #1?Approval of the Minutes for October 18, 2011

The Minutes were Approved.

AGENDA ITEM #2?Approval of the Agenda for November 1, 2011

The Agenda was Approved.

AGENDA ITEM #3?Chair?s Report

The Academic Senate heard a brief report from Chair Vaughn.

AGENDA ITEM #4?Recommendation from the Executive Committee: Proposed Resolution in Support of Principles of Shared Governance in Reorganization, 1st Reading
Senator Hanley moved and explained the Item. The Item was discussed. Senator Holzman motioned to move the Item to Second Reading. The vote was called. The Item was Approved.

AGENDA ITEM #5?Recommendation from the Academic Policies Committee: Proposed Principles Regarding College Naming, 1ST Reading

Senator Hanley moved and explained the Item. The Item was discussed. Senator Chernoff motioned to move the Item to Second Reading. The vote was called. The Item was Approved.

AGENDA ITEM #6?Report from AVP Linda Buckley and AVP Jo Volkert: Student Success & Graduation Initiative Milestone Study?Time Certain 3:00p.m.

The Academic Senate heard a report from AVP Linda Buckley and AVP Jo Volkert on Student Success & Graduation Initiative Milestone Study. A copy of the Power Point presentation given can be found on the Academic Senate iLearn page. The following questions and concerns were raised:

1. How are underrepresented minorities being counted and defined?

2. To what extent has impaction shaped underrepresented minority graduation rates?

3. This process and associate study could serve as a model.

4. What is causing our graduation rates to go up?

5. How will online education impact graduation rates and student success?
6. How do our rates compare to other campuses?

7. What is the break down of remediation needs, as they relate to English and math?

8. What are the similarities and difference between the graduation rates of different colleges?

9. How has mandatory advising impacted the Fall 2009 cohort?

10. What impact might remediation have if the classes were within the major?

11. What implications might these data hold for the importance of General Education?

12. Is it possible for students to have early tutoring by discipline?

13. Which students does the ?Beyond 12? program serve?

14. How can the university work positively with students so that they achieve these milestones?

AGENDA ITEM #7?Recommendation from the Curriculum Review & Approval Committee: Proposed Revisions to the Graduate Program MS in Psychology, Concentration Clinical Psychology, 1st Reading?No later than 3:45p.m.

Chair Vaughn moved and explained the Item in the absence of Senator Stowers. The Item was discussed. Senator Holzman motioned to move the Item to Second Reading. The vote was called. The Item was Approved.

AGENDA ITEM #8?Recommendation from the Executive Committee: Proposed Revision to Retention Tenure & Promotion Policy to Agree with Current Contract Language (Section 1.4 regarding rebuttal timeline), 1st Reading?No later than 4:00p.m.

Chair Vaughn moved and explained the Item. The Item was discussed. Senator Salama motioned to move the Item to Second Reading. The vote was called. The Item was Approved.
AGENDA ITEM #9?Discussion Item: Task Force Report on Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement (GWAR)?No Later Than 4:15p.m.

The Item was discussed.
The following concerns and questions were raised:

1. To what extent is GWAR cost effective?
2. Why does the Task Force Report not address the most effective ways to teach writing.
3. What are the similarities and difference between costs associated with JPET and GWAR?
4. The Task Force Report is missing feedback from faculty that teach the classes and students that have taken them.
5. Students seem to say that they have benefited from the GWAR courses and associated smaller class sizes.
6. Educationally, GWAR seems to make much more sense, as it situates students within their discipline.
7. Critical thinking skills - particularly within the major - seem to be enhanced by GWAR courses.

AGENDA ITEM #10?Adjournment?no later than 5:00p.m.

The Academic Senate adjourned at 3:45p.m.

Meeting Date (Archive):
Tuesday, November 1, 2011