MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

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September 22, 2014

Members excused: B. DerMugrdechian, U. Muller

Members absent: L. Crask, A. Nambiar, J. Pausewang, T. Partin(Maj.), L. Rios

The Academic Senate was called to order by Chair Ayotte at 4:04pm in HML 2206.

1. Approval of the agenda

MSC to remove consideration of APM 627, 635, and 640

MSC to approve the agenda as amended

1. Approval of the minutes of September 8, 2014

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1. Installation of new senator

Patricia Turnbull was installed as the senator for the Department of Marketing

1. The annual photograph of the Academic Senate for AY2014-2015 was taken in the Sculpture Garden
2. Communications and announcements
3. President Castro

He spent last week in Washington, DC meeting with local members of Congress and their staff. He reported that he felt there was a lot of

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support among the local delegation for Fresno State, especially in terms of providing Pell Grants and funding research grant applications.

Chancellor White conducted his first job performance review and was generally happy. The Chancellor does want President Castro to focus even more on student success and improve graduation rates.

1. Provost Zelezny

Jordan College Dean, Charles Boyer, is leaving to be the dean of agriculture at Montana State University. She is putting together a search for a new dean.

The search committee for a new dean of the College of Health and Human Services has started meeting.

She is putting together a search committee for a new Dean of Undergraduate Studies and will need three full-professor level faculty members for it.

1. Vice Provost Nef

Level B distributions to the colleges have been made. $1.2 million more than last year was put into the formula for this year, so all colleges received more this year than last year.

1. Senators Kensinger and Benevides from the Statewide Academic Senate

The Statewide Academic Senate wants input from the senates of every campus regarding the activities of the student success task force, which is studying student fees but does not currently have any faculty members on it.

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1. New Business

Senator Carr (Music) asked that Vice President Matson give another presentation to the Academic Senate about the budget model, answering questions that senators still have.

MSC a request for Vice President Matson to give another budget presentation to the Academic Senate in the near future.

1. Review of APM 325, 327, and 360 from the Senate Personnel Committee
2. APM 325

The revised policy provides a procedure for inserting new material into a faculty member’s working personnel action file (WPAF) while they are under review. Clarifying friendly amendments were moved, seconded, and approved by the Academic Senate.

MSC to amend APM 327 in precisely the same way that APM 325 is being amended because 327 has the exact same words as 325. There was one “nay” vote.

MSC to approve APM 325 (and therefore APM 327 as well) as amended.

1. APM 360

This adds in language on appealing the denial of a sabbatical. The language was accidentally eliminated last time the policy was amended. This just adds back in the accidentally deleted language without changes.

MSC to approve APM 360.

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The Academic Senate adjourned at 4:58pm.

The next scheduled meeting of the Academic Senate will be at 4:00pm on October 1, 2014.

Submitted by: Approved by:

Thomas Holyoke Kevin Ayotte

Vice Chair Chair

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