



University Executive Committee Meeting Notes April 7, 2011

Rollin Richmond
Ken Ayoob
Peg Blake
Denice Helwig
Anna Kircher
John Lee
Burt Nordstrom
Wayne Perryman
Steve Smith
Bob Snyder
Carol Terry
Jay Verlinden
Frank Whitlatch
Patty Lindley, Staff Support

Guests:

Mary Kay Hartman
John Powell

President's Report

President Richmond provided a brief report of the March 22 CSU Board of Trustees' meeting. Some of the topics discussed included:

- Report from the Auxiliary Review Committee, which noted no adverse issues. New policies regarding the placement of funds were recommended, which HSU has addressed. The report is available at: <http://www.calstate.edu/FT/AuxOrg/Auxiliary-Task-Force.pdf>
- Campus fundraising 2009/10 report which indicates that HSU did well in its fundraising efforts.
- Strategic Implementation for Expanding Extended Education
- CSU and the Carnegie Statway Collaboratory
- Campuses were reminded of the need for authorization from the Chancellor for travel abroad.

Other Reports

Dean Perryman reported:

- the search for the new Library Dean will conclude soon.

Vice President Nordstrom reported:

- the new College Creek soccer field will be replaced this summer due to drainage issues.



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- a recent meeting between the Governor and executives of the UC, CSU and community college systems indicated the Governor is hopeful that an election will take place next fall to extend the tax increases in an effort to mitigate the budget reduction impacts that education is facing.

Associate Vice President Terry reported:

- the new Connexus Travel Portal is available for booking travel. In an effort to improve services, the CSU is replacing BCD Travel with Balboa Travel.

Senate Chair Verlinden reported:

- Bernadette Cheyne has been recommended by the Cal State Academic Senate to serve as a CSU Trustee member, an appointment to be made by the Governor.
- the Academic Senate continues to discuss the formation of a new University Senate, with a vote of the faculty anticipated.

Dean Ayoob reported:

- he and others recently traveled to Fieldbrook to consider possible uses of 15 acres which may become available to HSU.
- he recently attended a meeting of CSU deans where SB 1440 was discussed and they were encouraged to get involved in its implementation.
- Vice President Snyder reported:
- the remaining dean search (CNRS) is coming to a close, with one candidate remaining to be interviewed. Ken Ayoob has accepted the Arts and Humanities Dean position effective July 1, 2011.

Vice President Whitlatch reported:

- the deadline for submitting proposals for consideration of funding with Humboldt Loyalty, Parent & Family funds (2011-12) is April 25.
- the recent Fundraising and Gift Processing audit has been completed.
- he is coordinating attendance by a number of HSU employees at a CASE "Development for Deans" training at CSU Northridge on June 2-3.

Dean Smith reported:

- they have successfully recruited a new Engineering faculty member and have extended an offer for a Biological Oceanographer faculty position.
- "Encounters in the Open Sea: An evening with Rick Rosenthal," is taking place at the John Van Duzer Theatre on April 19, 7-8:30 p.m. Rick is an HSU alumnus and a two-time Emmy Award winning cinematographer.

CIO Kircher reported:

- Synergy Project which was developed by the CSU to reduce costs and increase efficiencies has resulted in HSU's participation in the Virtual Network Operations Center pilot project which



will result in better tools for monitoring networks on a 24/7 basis through a collaborated networking control center.

Vice President Blake reported:

- Work Study funds will no longer be available as of April 30. In addition there are more applications for 2011-12 Financial Aid than in previous years, which will result in limited funds for those who haven't submitted an early request.
- a noon-time rally is planned on Wednesday, April 13, on the Library steps to protest budget reductions impacting education.

Salman Khan Approach to Education

President Richmond shared a "TED talk" (technology, entertainment, design) video presented by Salman Khan which offers a variety of opportunities for Kindergarten-University teachers to transform the way they teach to be more effective. <http://www.khanacademy.org/> Deans Lee, Ayoob and Smith discussed the various methods and pilot projects their colleges are initiating to address student success and their use of CELT in transforming their courses. They agreed that HSU needs more "academic technologists" like Colby Smart to provide faculty support. Dean Perryman offered Library assistance. CIO Kircher reminded the committee of the requirement that all video modules be captioned. John Powell suggested that "success stories" for transforming courses be shared widely, in an effort to encourage other faculty to become interested and involved.

Presidents' and Faculty Compensation Report

President Richmond briefly discussed a recent compensation report which is available on the CSU website in the "What's New" box: <http://www.calstate.edu/hr/> which compares CSU to comparable institutions.

Reorganization of Native American Programs

Provost Snyder reviewed the status of the proposal to coordinate/combine HSU's Native American programs to better meet the needs of our Native American students. After further consideration, including discussions with the Native American Advisory Council, he has decided to withdraw the consolidation proposal. Conversations with the Native American community will continue and steps will be taken to set standards and expectations for improving retention and graduation rates of our Native American students.

Commencement

Mary Kay Hartman, Commencement Coordinator, reviewed plans for HSU's May 14 commencement which are unchanged from last year. The CAHSS ceremony will begin at 8:30, CNRS at Noon, and CPS (now the largest college) at 3:30. Efforts have been made to shorten the length of the ceremonies. HSU's "Take Back the Tap" group will have water stations available and souvenir coffee mugs (with unlimited coffee refills) as part of their efforts to make



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commencement a more socially and environmentally responsible event. The Platform Party will meet outside the Fieldhouse on Friday, May 13, 11:00, for commencement rehearsal.