



University Executive Committee Meeting Notes

June 9, 2011

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

Guests:

Scott Hagg
Mary Kay Hartman

President's Report

President Richmond reported that he recently attended a meeting in Sacramento of the California Council on Science and Technology (CCST) as a member of their Board. The CCST was created by the legislature to offer expert advice to the state government regarding science and technology-related issues. Following the CCST meeting, he traveled to Long Beach to participate in a two-day CSU Technology Steering Committee (TSC) meeting to discuss the development of an online CSU university.

Other Reports

A.S. President Kelly reported:

- he recently attended a Veterans support meeting and will be working with others in student veteran outreach efforts.

Vice President Nordstrom reported:

- the CSU audit of HSU auxiliary units is complete and he expressed appreciation for those who participated.
- The Van Duzer Theatre is in the process of being renovated (painting, new carpeting, lighting and seating). Other summer projects include the soccer field repair and Founders Hall classroom upgrades.



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- HSU will have a Zipcar (<http://www.zipcar.com/>) available beginning in Fall Semester for all HSU faculty, staff, and students which will be particularly useful for students who come to campus without a vehicle. It was noted that there has been interest expressed by HSU students to have bikes available on campus; TC Comet, Sustainability Coordinator, will be exploring this project.
- As part of HSU's sustainability efforts, steps are being considered to phase out sales of plastic bottled water.
- Windows Café will be opening in Fall Semester.
- Negotiations are underway with Follett, an Illinois company that operates 800+ stores nationwide, to manage the HSU Bookstore. This will result in increased student services being offered.

Vice President Whitlatch reported:

- Senate Bill 330 (CFA Transparency Bill) is likely to be approved (which subjects auxiliary organizations to public records act requests) http://info.sen.ca.gov/pub/09-10/bill/sen/sb_0301-0350/sb_330_cfa_20100113_163117_sen_floor.html

Dean Ayoob reported:

- the Advancement office has been assisting in a donation being received from a music workshop participant.
- a new Marching Lumberjack director has been identified.
- he has been working with CSU Northridge and CSU Fullerton for possible options to maintain HSU's French program.

Dean Perryman reported:

- the Library has summer renovation projects planned (new carpeting and restroom improvements).

Update on CSU Budget

Carol Terry and Burt Nordstrom reported that there is very little new budget information available. The special state taxes will end on June 30, which will significantly reduce the state's revenue. It is possible that student tuition will be increased another 32% if the CSU experiences additional budget reductions.

HSU Priorities for 2011/12 Plans and Timelines

President Richmond reviewed the various HSU 2011/12 priorities, with some progress being reported by those responsible. This item will remain on upcoming University Executive Committee agendas.

Commencement Review

Mary Kay Hartman, Commencement Coordinator, discussed the May 14 ceremonies and requested input. Two colleges (the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences and the

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College of Professional Studies) reduced the length of their ceremonies substantially. Steps will be taken to reduce the duration of the College of Natural Resources and Sciences ceremony next year, if possible. Moving the final ceremony from 3:30 to 3:00 may be an option. It was suggested that the placement of the two on-stage name readers be shifted so their line-of-sight isn't obstructed by the photographer. Concern was expressed about some name reading being less than satisfactory, suggesting that a professional name reader be considered. Mary Kay will discuss this with the Provost and deans, as well as the possibility of separate speakers for each college, prior to placing these items on a later University Executive Committee agenda. It was agreed that it was a very successful event.

Enrollment Update

Scott Hagg reported that 474 prospective students are signed up for the June 20-21 HOP; 280 for the June 27-28 HOP; 150 for the Summer Bridge program; and 515 for the August 18-19 HOP which is still open for registration. These are all freshmen-level programs. There are 734 transfer students signed up for HOOP (Humboldt Online Orientation Program) with a July 3 registration deadline. Fall 2011 enrollment is anticipated to be similar to last year.

He noted that Hobson's, a module for student communication, will "go live" on July 1, which includes options for reporting on data within the system.

Bryan Kelly asked if the Library hours could be extended next semester. He will discuss this further with the Provost and Library Dean and this item will be included on an August University Executive Committee agenda.