

# HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY

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## University Executive Committee Meeting Notes October 11, 2012

Rollin Richmond  
Ken Ayoob  
Jená Burges (for Bob Snyder)  
Teresa Grenot  
Anna Kircher  
John Lee  
Joyce Lopes  
Carol Lorentzen  
Eric Van Duzer  
Frank Whitlatch  
Patty Lindley, Staff Support

### **Guests:**

Dannisha Battle  
Kristin Johnson  
Mary Virnoche

### **Office for Economic Community & Business Development (OECBD) Update**

Kristin Johnson, OECBD Director, provided an OECBD and Small Business Development Center update including their campus contributions, main programs, and statewide programs (<http://oecbd.org/>). She noted that the Tech Futures Group is available to faculty and the statewide business community (<http://techfuturesgroup.org/tfg-works>), and students and faculty may also be interested in the Competitive Intelligence Research Services (<http://oecbd.org/ciresearch/home>). Kristin stressed that their office would like to work more with faculty members.

### **Report on Fee Increases**

Carol Lorentzen shared FY2011-2012 Student Fee information, as prescribed by the Executive Order. Vice President Lopes noted that it will be important to review fees and their documentation on a regular basis to verify they are still pertinent and at the appropriate fee level.

### **A Student's Perspective**

Dannisha Battle, HSU student and recipient of the 2012 William Randolph Hearst/CSU Trustees' Award for Outstanding Achievement, shared her experience as an HSU student and her plans for the future. She stressed the impact that EOP (Educational Opportunity Program) had on her success, and the importance of letting students know of available services. It was suggested that EOP be provided space in the residence halls (with expanded evening hours). The delay in the interlibrary loan process was also discussed; Dean Grenot shared that options to improve this

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process are being explored. Increasing the length of time these books are made available was also discussed.

### President's Report

President Richmond shared some of the information discussed the September 18-19 CSU Board of Trustees' meeting (<http://www.calstate.edu/BOT/>):

- Collective Bargaining Agreements – ratified CBA's are in place with all unions.
- Budget strategy to address the possibility of a \$250M reduction if Proposition 30 doesn't pass. (The CSU's budget has been cut \$1.1B over the last few years) Their approved resolution may be viewed at <http://www.calstate.edu/bot/Resolutions/>. Action on a resolution prohibiting students from repeating courses if they earned a C grade or better was delayed until November. Upper division General Education and degree completion will also be discussed at their November meeting.
- CSU San Marcos now has an Institute for Palliative Care.
- Two CSU presidents have announced their retirements, Jim Rosser (CSULA) and John Welty (CSU Fresno).

President Richmond and others from HSU and College of the Redwoods recently met with District Attorney, Paul Gallegos, who is interested in exploring educational opportunities for non-violent offenders in lieu of incarceration. This group will meet again to continue discussions.

President Richmond, chair of the CCAA Commissioner search committee to replace retiring Bob Hiegert, provided a brief update.

President Richmond shared his thanks to those who organized the September Faculty and Staff picnic.

He and others from the CSU met recently with Apple representatives in Cupertino to discuss the use of visual technology in education. HSU, following discussions with representatives of the Humboldt County Office of Education, have invited Apple representatives to visit.

A representative of Microsoft visited HSU recently where we inquired as to the possibility of them negotiating with the CSU as a whole in an effort to reduce costs (virtual vs. physical use of products). Anna Kircher reported that steps are being taken (RFP's) to identify a Cloud source, enabling campuses to reduce the need for data centers.

President Richmond recently attended the Pearson 2012 National Leadership Forum in Texas (Pearson is the commercial partner for Calstate Online). The University Executive Committee discussed the possibility of providing an award to a faculty member based on innovative teaching. It was suggested that modifying an existing faculty award might be advisable and providing release time (in addition to a summer stipend if possible) would be most beneficial. This will be discussed at a later University Executive Committee meeting. The Committee members also discussed the need for an early alert system to identify poor student performance early in the semester.

President Richmond attended a CCST (California Council on Science and Technology) meeting at Stanford on October 9 which included an opportunity to join the California Teacher Advisory

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Council group in visiting Gooru ([www.goorulearning.org](http://www.goorulearning.org)). He suggested that we invite them to visit.

He visited with the Osher Foundation in San Francisco on October 10 to discuss their funding of programs at HSU, including a recent .5M endowment for transfer student scholarships.

### Other Reports

#### ***Dean Lee reported:***

- the online Masters in Education has been approved
- there is a reception on October 10 to “roll out” the new MBA program

#### ***University Senate Chair Van Duzer reported:***

- the University Senate has passed a Resolution, “Changing Standards for Admissions of International Students” <http://www.humboldt.edu/senate/resolutions/res12-13.html>

#### ***Library Dean Grenot reported:***

- all are invited to a November 2 “Wherever There’s a Fight” reception, 3:00-4:00, <http://humboldt.edu/events/2012/11/02/1869/>

#### ***Vice President Whitlatch reported:***

- donated funds are being moved from the stateside to the Advancement Foundation. Most other trust account funds have already been moved.

#### ***Associate Vice President Lorentzen and CIO Kircher reported:***

- a group is creating a document that will enable e-routing (approvals) of the travel authorization form.