President’s Planning & Policy Council  
Monday, March 28, 2011

The President’s Planning and Policy Council met on Monday, March 28, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was held in the Broome Library at California State University Channel Islands, One University Drive, Camarillo.

In attendance: Michael Berman, Renny Christopher, Breana Christie, Wes Cooper, Bill Cordeiro, Therese Eyermann, Jerry Garcia, Beth Hartung, Chris Jetton, Jacque Kilpatrick, Dana Lockwood, Dawn Neuman, Stacy Roscoe, Richard Rush, Greg Sawyer, Jennifer Schweisinger, Diana Smith, Steve Stratton, Jim Walker

Absent: Joanne Coville, Sandra Kornuc, Bonnie Lanthier, Jonathan Neira, Carl Reed, Rosa Rodriguez, Rachel Tafoya, Eric Toshalis, Julia Wilson, John Yudelson.

Others in attendance: Dave Chakraborty, Nancy Gill, John Gormley, Steve Lefevre, Nelle Moffett, Richard Montiel, Mike Morris, Melissa Remotti, Jane Sweetland, Dan Wakelee, Ching-Hua Wang

President’s Report: The budget news is still pending. There is no additional news on the special election to extend current taxes, and no guarantee that such a measure would pass. If taxes are not extended, we will have no other option but to reduce our base. There were several questions raised regarding enrollment, campus closures, etc. President Rush stated that the group should feel free to send questions at any time. For the record, there’s no indication that this or any other campus will close, in part because it would cost more to close the campus than it would save.

Presentation by Steve Lefevre, Associate Vice President for Academic Programs and Planning. Steve updated the group on new developments in academic programs, notably:

a) WASC approved offering 3 degree programs in Santa Barbara: a B.S. in Business degree completion program at SBCC; the MBA at Goleta site; and the B.S. in Nursing at Goleta. The Business programs are slated to open fall, 2011; the B.S. in Nursing opens fall, 2012. All are offered through extended university.

b) Master’s degree programs implemented in 2005 have now been converted from pilot programs to regular programs. Only the MA in Education receives state support; all other programs are run through Extended University.

c) The Senate approved a planned M.S. in Coastal Sustainability, the second professional science M.S. degree, again offered through Extended University.

d) Finally, Steve reported that the Academic Master Plan revision will be extensively revisited this spring. The timeline will be revised based on FTE growth rather than the calendar year, and take into account program balance, kind of support, cost of the program and enrollment projections.

Steve took several questions about self-support versus state support and degrees pending approval.

Presentation by Bill Cordeiro, Senior Associate Dean of the Martin V. Smith School of Business about the launch of the Institute for Global Economic Research (IGER), set for April 8.
Bill outlined the goals of the institute for research, pedagogy, and serving the community through two planned Economic Outlook Conferences.

**Policies - Recommendation**

*Policy on Postings and Signage.* Nancy Gill, Director of Communications and Marketing presented the policy. Revised policy clarifies and addresses concerns raised at the last meeting of the president’s council as well as condensed language.

M/S Michael Berman, Dan Wakelee. Passed

*Policy on Animal Control.* Lieutenant Mike Morris presented the policy for Chief John Reid. This policy reflects both CSU policy as well as state law and would prohibit domestic animals inside campus buildings. Mr. Morris acknowledged that people have strong feelings about this.

Q. and A. raised questions about the definition of ‘service animals’ (dogs only), and impact of policy violation (it would be seen as a work rule violation).

M/S Greg Sawyer. Passed

**Policies - Discussion**

*Policy on Financial Aid and Satisfactory Academic Progress.* Jane Sweetland, Dean of Admissions and Richard Montiel, Interim Associate Director of Financial Aid. The proposed policy has to do with defining satisfactory degree progress for the purposes of receipt of Financial Aid. The policy attempts to put into place an ‘early warning’ system so that students don’t automatically lose their student aid. There was a wide-ranging discussion about potential conflicts between such a policy and the academic appeals process, as well as some of the language of the policy (‘pace’ to degree and ‘clock hour’ viz credit hours). Questions and concerns should be directed to Richard and Jane.

*Policy on Policies.* Melissa Remotti, Executive Analyst to the President. The policy on policies is due for review, and was written before the President’s Council existed. This revision reflects structural changes in the campus. Michael Berman questioned whether 3 years is the appropriate time frame for policy review, perhaps it should be longer. Melissa asked for feedback from other member on the time frame as well as any additional comments and/or questions before the policy comes to a second reading.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted: Elizabeth Hartung