Academic Senate Meeting  
Thursday, September 15, 2005  
Minutes

Present

Members of the Executive Committee:  
Kathryn Schoenrock, Becky Hull, Luke Hall, Bob Porter

Members of the Council:  

Senator Emeritus:  
Edith Conn

ASB Representative:  
None

Guests:  
Tesi Low, David Oliver

I. The meeting was called to order at 1:34

II. The issue of Academic Freedom was put on the agenda as an information item as well as the One Book One Campus event and the rewriting of the Board Policy Manual. (3,5,11*)

III. No Smoking Policy  
Motion to approve the policy was followed by discussion about this issue. It was brought up that the AFT will be involved as this affects working conditions for faculty. It was also mentioned that the policy affects students as well. Policy was approved: 12 yes votes, 2 abstentions, 0 no votes (11*)

IV. Assigning Faculty Offices  
Motion to approve the policy was followed by discussion. Policy was amended to include a preface clause that read, “unless a faculty-established policy (such as the policy for the third floor of the LRC) is already in place,” a two year time-limit, and one sentence was moved to another part of the document. Then the issue was voted on. All members voted yes for the policy as amended. (6*)

V. Consensus on the concept only of the planning model.  
Discussion ensued about this topic. There was consensus about approving this model. (9,10*)

VI. Motion to approve the minutes from last meeting (9-1-05). Approved unanimously.
VII. Treasurer’s Report
Luke Hall mentioned that we have @$3000 and mentioned that the scholarship policy was changed from pure cash scholarships to textbook only type scholarships. Luke suggested that we think about this and vote on it in a couple months. (6*)

VIII. President’s Report
Kathryn Schoenrock reported that a $1 million dollar contingency fund was passed by the Board of Trustees and will be used for midyear cuts, which are anticipated for 06-07. She also mentioned that a management intern position was proposed for Moorpark College but the proposal was voted down by the Board.
Reorganization of the college was discussed.
Student Learning Outcomes were discussed.
It was agreed by consensus to let the Staffing Priorities Committee rules and composition stay the same for 2005-06. (10,6,4,5*)

IX. Committee Reports
Forms for Senate Elections will be put in mailboxes. (6*)

X. Information Items
A discussion was held about academic freedom. It was agreed by consensus that the policy on academic freedom should be sent out to all faculty and that the issue should be addressed again at the next Academic Senate meeting.
The Senate will support the One Book One Campus events.
The President’s reception is this Friday and Kathryn Schoenrock recommended we attend. (6,11*)

Minutes submitted by Bob Porter, Academic Senate Secretary