Academic Senate Meeting

AGENDA

Monday, January 23, 2006
3:15 – 5:00 p.m.
COOR L-20 (lower East side)

Remember to print out documents from the web that you will need for this meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER (Susan Mattson).

2. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES
   A. Senate Summary (12-05-05) (posted on Senate Web page)

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS
   A. Senate President's Report (Susan Mattson)
      Welcome Back Breakfast, Tuesday, January 24, 7:30 a.m., Arizona Room, MU
      Guest: Jean Boyd, Associate Athletic Director
   B. University President's Report (Michael Crow)
   C. University Provost’s Report (Milton Glick)
   D. Senate President-Elect’s Report (Duane Roen)
   E. USG President’s Report (Yaser Alamoodi)
   F. GPSA President’s Report (Jess Koldoff)
   G. Past-Past Senate President’s Report (Tony Garcia)
   H. ASU Polytechnic Assembly Report (Paul Patterson)
   I. ASU West Senate Report (Richard Morris)

4. ADOPTION OF ALL CONSENT ACTION ITEMS, INFORMATION ITEMS, AND REPORTS
   There are no consent items this time.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.
   A. Personnel Committee (Doug Johnson).
      A. 1 Senate Motion #13 (2005-2006)(Second Reading): The Academic Senate Personnel
         Committee recommends acceptance of the report of the Promotion and Tenure Task Force dated January
         11, 2006, to reconfigure the promotion and tenure process at Arizona State University. This document is
         posted on the Academic Senate Web Page at: http://www.asu.edu/provost/asenate

6. NEW BUSINESS (Reports and new motions from Senate committees)
   A. Executive Committee (Susan Mattson).
      The next meeting of Executive Committee is February 6, 3:00-5:00 P.M. in ADMB 365.
   B. Committee on Committees (Pauline Komnenich)
      The next meeting of Committee on Committees is Tuesday, January 31, 3-5 p.m. in ADMB 365.
   C. Curriculum and Academic Programs Committee (Mary Kihl).
      The next meeting of CAPC is Wednesday, February 1, 3:30-4:30 p.m. in Foundation 4440.
C.1 Senate Motion #14 (2005-2006) (First Reading): The Curriculum and Academic Programs Committee recommends Academic Senate approval of a proposal submitted by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences for the Reorganized Organizational Unit – School of Social and Family Dynamics (SSFD)

Rationale: The proposed organization will be used as a means of increasing flexibility and collaboration in research, teaching, and outreach. Specifically, the School will maintain many of its current strength and programs while facilitating thematic, interdisciplinary research and student training efforts that address both fundamental and applied questions related to children, youth, families, and their social environments.

The proposed new unit will be named the School of Social and Family Dynamics (SSFD). The School will be a reorganization of the Department of Family and Human Development and the Department of Sociology and will remain in the Social Sciences Division of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

C.2 Senate Motion #15 (2005-2006) (First Reading): The Curriculum and Academic Programs Committee recommends Academic Senate approval of a proposal submitted by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences for the establishment of a New Organizational Unit – Institute for Families, Children, and Society (IFCS)

Rationale: The proposed new unit will be named the Institute for Families, Children, and Society (IFCS). The Institute will be part of the reorganization of the Department of Family and Human Development and the Department of Sociology into the new School of Social and Family Dynamics and will be part of the Social Sciences Division of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

The Institute will play an integral role in ASU’s continuing development as a comprehensive metropolitan research university and will meet the university’s, college’s, and school’s overall strategy to: (1) build research infrastructure, (2) aggressively facilitate the pursuit of external sources of revenue, and (3) initiate partnerships across campus and in the community, as well as with state, regional, and local government agencies.

C.3 Senate Motion #16 (2005-2006) (First Reading): The Curriculum and Academic Programs Committee recommends Academic Senate approval of a proposal submitted by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences for the Reorganization of an Existing Academic Unit – School of Geographical Sciences

Rationale: The School will be a reorganization of the Department of Geography and will remain in the Social Sciences Division of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. The existing Department of Geography will be reorganized as the School of Geographical Sciences.

The proposed reorganization will greatly increase flexibility and collaboration in research and teaching. The School will maintain the current coherence and coordination of the unit in teaching, while promoting collaboration in joint initiatives with other units in the college and the university and facilitating thematic, interdisciplinary, and integrative research efforts that address both fundamental and applied questions.

C.4 Senate Motion #17 (2005-2006) (First Reading): The Curriculum and Academic Programs Committee recommends Academic Senate approval of a proposal submitted by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences for the New Academic Organizational Unit – School of Earth and Space Exploration (SESE)

Rationale: The School of Earth and Space Exploration will accelerate the pace of discovery by removing barriers between traditional scientific disciplines and integrating systems engineering and science. The School will train a new type of transdisciplinary explorer – scientists with experience in engineering and engineers with a strong understanding of science.
SESE integrates across earth sciences, planetary sciences, astrophysics, and engineering, positioning ASU as well as the State of Arizona to play an international leadership role in the exploration of our world, the solar system, and the universe.

SESE will be a new unit, organized primarily from the existing Department of Geological Sciences and Department of Physics and Astronomy. The Center for Meteorite Studies will be included within SESE and strong linkages will be formed with the Fulton School of Engineering and the College of Education.

D. Personnel Committee (Doug Johnson). The next meeting of the Personnel Committee is January 23, 11-12:00, in ADM B 365.

E. Student-Faculty Policy Committee (Bill Verdini). TBA.
The final report has been submitted to President Crow regarding Safety on Campus.

F. University Affairs Committee (David Burstein). TBA.

7. ADJOURNMENT

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