Executive Committee Meeting
March 27, 2013

Present: Hill, Brooks, Gasco, Jones, Kalayjian, Salhi, Fawver

Time Certains: 3:15 p.m. Provost Torrecilha and Sue Borrego

James Hill-Chair’s Report

- [trying to keep this short to allow for discussion of state politics issues and composition of next full senate agenda]
- GE issues:
  - "Scope & Purview" I now believe I may have been wrong about the need to amend the GE committee charge to define – in writing – what that group is and is not authorized to do.
  - Note: The Area D discussion which took place at Senate last week seemed very useful for getting real information transferred. However, we (Senate as a whole) did not explicitly make any specific decision about it. This is relevant as a singular issue with respect to the case in hand, but also as a case in point regarding the previous item.
  - UDG FTES: meeting to define paths to the various options. [Did I really kill a hundred thousand people?] GE is asking to include more people in the discussion, but are also not replying with suggested meeting times. In a discussion I had with Dave B, I told him that in my opinion if he did not want to attend a meeting, having a "faculty rights" representative from the union would fulfill the intent of the request. I have a separate message to him requesting a set of suggested times or a name with which to replace his. [still awaiting reply]
- Declaration of major policy: Sue Borrego has some information (including history of why our current practice evolved the way it did) on implementation of such a policy.

What is the scope of GE

PK- Title V double counting has to proceed through curriculum process so UCC has to review the area D piece. SB440 All have to comply. We can have a small group look at Mitch’s 5 options. Jim tried to arrange taskforce last semester for GE. Never got responses. Bradfield said that maybe 20 people would be directly or indirectly impacted. Gasco suggested to add someone from Institutional Research. Fawver- If option 4 is chosen will there be any restrictions in place? Jones said that we could have a small group meeting of 6 people we need to time it so that more faculty can attend and part time faculty as well.
Provost’s Report-Ramon Torrecilha- Torrecilha reported that we have 18 faculty lines this year and 16 lines next year.

We have a request from CAH to make the DMA a department. Torrecilha had a handout and wants our feedback should Exec or senate decide?

Torrecilha said that DMA is functioning as a department. There are 186 majors and they will have their own budget. Hill said that this is a good idea for senate to look at. Torrecilha will decide with senate’s input. Jones said that we should have an open forum in the senate perhaps at the next senate meeting.

Torrecilha discussed the declaration of majors. We are looking at going from 60 units to 30 units. Any units above 120 the student will pay for, they will be charged a fee. There is no firm decision on this yet and if it does go into effect it won’t happen for a few years.

Having to declare a major at the beginning can be a problem. The students have a hold for mandatory advising and students cannot get help with the hold-- it is frustrating. Transfers do not have to declare a major to come in they come in with 60 units. Students get flexibility with declaring majors. We should impose a mandatory grad check from the University Advising Center.

SB-The high unit didn’t get well advised.

KF- With History you can declare at 60 units. Can we take this to the chair’s council and deans? SB and RT said yes, and we need to get data first. SB-something has been done with policy on degree check. In junior year students get a letter. JG-It helps advisors in major to know which students have issues. SB The leadership didn’t take CMS seriously.

Representation on the Senate-Matt Jones suggested with Emily Magruder’s proposal do a resolution or a petition. A resolution with 2 members elected at large or 1 per college.

Staff Election-Jones received a list from Cynthia Jones Hunter of staff members. These members are only paid by state funds.

There was a discussion about Ballot Bin and some of the problems we are having. The list of faculty are outdated. Jim will go through the list and Mary will add and remove faculty.

EPC-Jan Gasco

Online Standards for campus-- we might identify the tasks that need to be done. Regular GE versus big decisions. Jan will write some language.

FPC-Hamoud Salhi-Looking at composition of search committees for the deans. PM 08-01 states a minimum of 3 faculty but 1/3 of the committee is faculty. It is a minimum of 1/3 and Salhi says lets have ½.

Meeting Adjourned.