August 22, 2008

TO: Members, CSULB Academic Senate

FROM: Praveen Soni, Chair

Academic Senate

SUBJECT: 2007-2008 Academic Senate Year-End Report

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The elected members of the 2007-2008 Executive Committee of the Academic Senate were:

Chair Praveen Soni, Marketing

Vice Chair Luis Arroyo, Chicano & Latino Studies

Secretary Keith Freesemann, Kinesiology

Member-at-Large Jalal Torabzadeh, Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering

Member-at-Large Alan Colburn, Science Education

Member-at-Large Eileen Klink, English

Member-at-Large Shireen Pavri, EDPAC

The items considered and the actions taken by the Academic Senate in 2007-2008 are summarized below.

# UNIVERSITY POLICY

Revision: G.E. Policy (AS-747-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate on November 15, 2007; received concurrence from the President on November 27, 2007; and issued as University *Policy Statement 08-00.*

Policy on Timely Accessibility to All Instructional Materials (AS-749-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate March 13, 2008; received concurrence from the President on March 17, 2008; and issued as University *Policy Statement 08-11.*

Policy on Study Week (AS-750-08/CEPC/URC) was voted down on February 14, 2008.

Revision: PS 05-07, Final Course Grades, Grading Procedures, and Final Assessment (AS-751-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate on February 28, 2008; received concurrence from the President on March 7, 2008; and issued as University *Policy Statement PS 08-10*.

Revision: PS 00-08, University Honors Program (AS-752-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate on April 1, 2008; received concurrence from the President on April 8, 2008; and issued as University *Policy Statement PS 08-12*.

Revision: PS 94-06, Independent Study (AS-753-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate February 14, 2008; received concurrence from the President on February 29, 2008; and issued as University *Policy Statement 08-08*.

Guideline for the Creation and Operation of Cross-border Existing Degree or International Credit Certificate Programs (AS-754-08/EC); approved by the Senate on February 28, 2008; received concurrence from the President on February 29, 2008; received concurrence from the President on March 4, 2008; and issued as University *Policy Statement PS 08-16*.

Revision: PS 85-19, Policy on Plagiarism; approved by the Academic Senate on December 13, 2007; received concurrence from the President on January 13, 2008; and issued as University *Policy Statement 08-02*.

Policy on Department Graduate Student Honors (AS-756-08/FPPC); approved by the Senate on February 28, 2008; received concurrence from the President on March 4, 2008; issued as University *Policy Statement PS 08-17*.

Policy on Undergraduate Honors (AS-757-08/EC); approved by the Academic Senate on March 27, 2008; received concurrence from the President on April 9, 2008; and issued as University *Policy Statement PS 08-13*.

Revision: Policy on Faculty Awards (AS-758-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate on March 17, 2008; received concurrence from the President March 28, 2008; received concurrence from the President on April 28, 2008; and issued as University *Policy Statement PS 08-14*.

Revision: PS 02-03 Range Elevation for Lecturers (AS-760-08/EC); approved by the Academic Senate on May 1, 2008; received concurrence from the President on May 8, 2008; received concurrence from the President on May 8, 2008; and issued as University *Policy Statement PS 08-15*.

College of Engineering GE Certification Waiver (AS-762-08/CEPC); approved by the Academic Senate on May 15, 2008; *pending*.

Amendment: G.E. Policy (AS-716-07): G.E. Certification for Transfer Students (AS-763-08/ACSEN); approved by the Senate May 15, 2008; *pending*.

All policies are available on the Academic Senate website (http://www.csulb.edu/divisions/aa/grad\_undergrad/senate/)

# ACADEMIC SENATE POLICY

Revision: Charge to the Academic Appeals Committee (AS-717-07/CEPC); approved by the Senate on September 27, 2007.

Revision: Charge to General Education Governing Committee (AS-718-07/CEPC); approved by the Senate on December 13, 2007.

Revision: Charge to the International Education Committee (AS-725-07/CEPC)

Implementation: Campus Academic Calendar Committee (AS-734-07/EC); approved by the Senate February 28, 2008; received concurrence of the President on March 4, 2008;  
*Committee to plan and determine future academic calendars for the University*.

Implementation: Academic Governance Schedules 2008/2009 (AS-754-08/EC); approved by the Senate on May 1, 2008.

Implementation: Senate Grammarian (AS-757-08/EC); approved by the Senate May 1, 2008.

**AWARDS**

The University Awards Committee selected the following faculty members for the 2007/08 awards:

Distinguished Scholarly and Creative Achievement Award

* Editte Gharakhanian, College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics, Biological Sciences
* Stephen Mezyk, College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics, Chemistry & Biochemistry
* James Davis, College of Health & Human Services, Kinesiology

Distinguished Faculty Teaching Award

* Kathleen Lacey, College of Business, Legal Studies in Business Program
* Linda Callahan, College of Health & Human Services, Nursing
* Marilyn Korostoff, College of Education, Educational Psychology, Administration & Counseling
* Sherry Span, College of Liberal Arts, Psychology
* Stacey Young, College of Liberal Arts, Communication Studies

Nicholas Perkins Hardeman Academic Leadership Award

Elaine Haglund, Educational Psychology, Administration, and Counseling, College of Education. President Alexander will present the award to Dr. Haglund at a Fall 2008 meeting of the Academic Senate.

Outstanding Professor Award

Mohammed Reza Forouzesh, College of Health & Human Services, Health Science

Community Service Award (Faculty)

Teri Yamada, College of Liberal Arts, Comparative World Literature & Classics

**DEGREES, PROGRAMS, OPTIONS, CERTIFICATES, AND CREDENTIALS**

Implementation: BA in Engineering Systems (AS-723-07/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate November 15, 2007; received concurrence from the President on November 26, 2007; *pending*

Implementation: M.S. in Psychology, Option in Industrial/Organizational Psychology (AS-728-07/CEPC); approved by the Senate on November 15, 2007; received concurrence from the President on November 27, 2007; and issued as University Policy Statement *PS 07-11*.

Implementation: School Nurse Credential (AS-736-07/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate February 14, 2008; received concurrence from the President on February 29, 2008; and issued as University Policy Statement *PS 08-09*.

Changes: Master of Arts in Education (AS-741-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate on February 14, 2008 (First Reading waived); received concurrence from the President on February 29, 2008

Changes: Proposal to Change Option in Design in Department of Art to BFA in Department of Design (AS-743-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate May 1, 2008; received concurrence from the President on May 20, 2008.

New Degree: Masters of Arts in Applied Sociology (AS-753-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate on April 17, 2008; received concurrence from the April 30, 2008.

Elevation: M.S. In Mathematics, Option in Applied Statistics to M.S. in Applied Statistics (AS-758-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate May 15, 2008; *pending*.

**DISCONTINUANCES, NAME CHANGES, &**

**SUSPENSIONS OF ACADEMIC PROGRAMS**

Discontinuance: MA in Kinesiology, Option in Sports Management (AS-688-05/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate February 14, 2008; received concurrence from the President March 3, 2008.

Discontinuance: MA in Kinesiology, Option in Pedagogical Studies (AS-689-05/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate February 14, 2008; received concurrence from the President March 3, 2008.

Name Change: Department of Black Studies to Department of Africana Studies (AS-726-07/CEPC); approved by the Academic Senate on February 14, 2008; received concurrence from the President on March 3, 2008.

Discontinuance: Discontinuance of MS in Counseling, Option in Vocational Rehabilitation (AS-744-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate March 27, 2008; received concurrence from the President April 30, 2008.

Discontinuance: Discontinuance of the Clinical-Rehabilitative Services Audiologist Credential (AS-745-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate on March 27, 2008; received concurrence from the President on April 30, 2008.

Discontinuance: Discontinuance of the Clinical-Rehabilitative Services Language, Speech and Hearing Specialist Credential (AS-746-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate on March 27, 2008; received concurrence from the President on April 28, 2008.

Discontinuance: M.A. in Kinesiology, Option in Motor Behavior (Code 5-1237) (AS-747-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate on March 27, 2008; received concurrence of the President April 30, 2008.

Discontinuance: M.A. in Kinesiology, Option in Sports Studies (Code 5-1236) (AS-748-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Senate on March 27, 2008; received concurrence from the President on April 30, 2008.

Discontinuance: Option, BS in Occupational Studies: Corporate Training (Code 3-1052) (AS-749-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Academic Senate March 27, 2008; received concurrence from the President on April 30, 2008.

Discontinuance: Option, BS in Occupational Studies: Development, Research & Evaluation (Code 3-1053); approved by the Academic Senate March 27, 2008; received concurrence from the President on April 30, 2008.

Discontinuance: Option, BS in Occupational Studies: Integrative Professional Studies (Code OCTSTBS07) (AS-751-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Academic Senate March 27, 2008; received concurrence from the President on April 30, 2008.

Name Change: Department of EDPAC to Department of Advanced Studies in Education & Counseling (AS-752-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Academic Senate March 27, 2008; *pending*.

Discontinuance: Joint Ed.D. in Educational Leadership (AS-755-08/CEPC/URC); approved by the Academic Senate May 1, 2008; received concurrence from the President May 8, 2008.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

Retreat: The annual Academic Senate Retreat was held on October 17,2007 at the Pointe. The topic was **Educating The Digital Generations** **(Student Success and Academic Technology).**

**Web blog: A web blog was created for the Academic Senate by Liam Ferris, computer specialist for the College of Liberal Arts. The blog is intended to promote discussion and facilitate communication between Academic Senators and their constituents. The blog allows constituents to easily identify and contact their Academic Senator regarding issues and polices under consideration by the Academic Senate.**

Open Discussions:

* An open forum discussion on the impact of proposed budget cuts on the Summer Session was held on March 13, 2008.
* An open forum discussion was held on the proposed conversion of the Fall 2007 cohort to the new G.E. policy was held on March 13, 2008.

**RESOLUTIONS**

The Academic Senate unanimously approved a resolution in opposing the Community College Governance, Funding Stabilization, and Student Fee Reduction Proposal on November 15, 2007.

The Academic Senate approved a resolution “encouraging university leadership to actively solicit input from the University community prior to major funding reductions” on March 13, 2008. The resolution was prompted by major funding reductions implemented for Summer 2008

The Academic Senate unanimously approved a resolution asserting the proper authority of the Academic Senate in determining academic policy on March 27, 2008.

# REPORTS TO THE ACADEMIC SENATE

*Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on State Support/Self-Support Programs* (AS-727-07/EC). The report was submitted to the Senate on October 11, 2007. Its recommendations were accepted on February 28, 2008.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Nominations

The Committee approved the nominations of Kent Merryfield and Cheryl Lee to the Advisory Council on Enrollment Management on September 11, 2007. The nomination of Ana Ortiz was approved on September 25, 2007.

The Committee approved the nominations of Leslie Farmer, Craig Fleming, and Juan Benitez to the Integrative Studies Director Search Committee on April 22, 2008

Reports

Vice-Provost Cecile Lindsay presented a report on the Transforming Course Design Initiative on November 27, 2007.

Vice-Provost Cecile Lindsay presented a proposal to combine the Interdisciplinary Studies and Honors Program on January 29, 2008.

Vice-Provost Cecile Lindsay presented a report on the Voluntary System of Accountability (VSA) and Collegiate Level Assessment (CLA) on April 15, 2008. Susan Platt followed up with a presentation on May 6, 2008.

G.E. Coordinator Lisa Maxfield presented a report on General Education Assessment on April 22, 2008.

Associate Vice-President for Academic Technology Don Gardner presented a report on Academic Technology initiatives on May 6, 2008.

Miscellaneous

A discussion of the Troops to College initiative took place on February 26, 2008.

There was an ongoing discussion on Restructuring and Reorganization of the Academic Senate Councils and Committees.

The Executive Committee interviewed candidates for the following administrative posts. The name of the successful candidate follows in parentheses:

* Associate Vice-President for Academic Technology (Don E. Gardner)
* Associate Vice-President for Student Services (Mary Ann Takemoto)
* Assistant Vice-President for International Education & Global Engagement (Ken Curtis)
* Associate Vice-President for Academic Personnel (Holly Harbinger)
* Vice-President for Administration & Finance (Mary Stephens)
* Dean, College of Business Administration (Michael E. Solt)

***Pending Policies and Proposals Carried forward to the 2008/09 Academic Senate:***

Revision: RTP Policy (AS-759-08/ACSN).

Revision: GWAR Policy (AS-761-08/CEPC).

Revision: Technical Corrections to Academic Senate Polices (AS-760-08/EC)

Departmentalization: Health Care Administration Program (AS-759-08/ACSN)

Policy on Use and Access to CSULB IT Resources

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