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and will bring them to future Senate meetings.

Chair Meldal informed the Senate that Dr. Jay Pinson, former Dean of the College of Engineering, passed away over the weekend after a short bout with cancer. Dr. Pinson is remembered for many things, including having the Engineering Building built.

Chair Meldal welcomed our new Senators including: Senators Whitmore, Levy, Lichty, Linzey, Cerda, Palumbo, Hypes, Semerjian, d'Alarcao, and Heiden.

Chair Meldal introduced the new Student Assistant in the Senate Office, Ashlee Jemmott.

Chair Meldal thanked the President's Office for donating copies of this year's reading selection, "Water for Elephants," to all senators.

Chair Meldal reminded senators that the Senate Retreat is on October 17, 2008 in the University Room from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Senator Kaufman, the Vice Chair, announced that the theme of the retreat this year is retention and graduation. One goal of the retreat is to educate members of the senate about statistics on our campus. Senator Kaufman also expects to have a keynote speaker with expertise in this area. Chair Meldal announced that there would be a raffle for two IPODs, two movie tickets, and three gift baskets (one tea, one coffee, and one wine). You must be present to win.

Chair Meldal announced that the President's Holiday Reception for the Senate will be on Sunday, December 7, 2008, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. at the President's House. Official invitations will be mailed from the President's Office in the near future.

Chair Meldal informed the Senate that Senator Gwendolyn Mok played the first in a series of concerts for the Steinway Society of the Bay Area last week. This was an incredible concert. Senator Mok's next concert is on campus October 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>. Chair Meldal encouraged all Senators to attend.

Chair Meldal recognized Past Chair Lessow-Hurley for attending today's Senate meeting even though she had just had surgery last week.

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The President made the following announcements.

President Whitmore announced that every day was a new learning experience for him, and today he is learning what Senate meetings are like. The President commented that the work of the Senate is critical for the university, and welcomed advice from Senators.

The President and his wife have received a warm welcome from the campus community, and they are looking forward to the Senate reception today.

The President announced that retention and graduation were at the top of his agenda and he was very happy the Senate chose that topic for the retreat this year.

The President informed the Senate that the campus is over-enrolled by about 3,000 students. A major part of our graduation and retention effort will include managing our numbers to get them down to where we need to be to provide the level of service our students need.

According to an Information Technology (IT) report based on a campus survey, 80% of faculty, staff, and students feel that we need to spend energy, time, and money improving the IT infrastructure on campus. As a result of this report, the President will be hiring a Chief Information Office (CIO).

Another major issue for the campus is sustainability. The President will be moving forward on this issue as the year progresses.

The President announced that fundraising has been quite successful over the past three years. A major campaign is being planned and will probably be announced next year.

Diversity was identified as one of the goals for this year. The President is working to ensure SJSU's faculty and staff reflect the diversity of our student body.

The President commented that we are about 18 months away from reaching the end of our 2010 Strategic Plan. We have a committee working on our Strategic Plan for 2015 right now.

The President encouraged Senators to read the "Water for Elephants" book.

Senator Palumbo from Associated Students asked why President Whitmore's wife Jennifer was going to be at today's meeting. The President commented that there was reception and the Senate had invited his wife Jennifer, but that she would not be attending future Senate meetings.

Senator Van Selst asked, "Given that we are nearly 3,000 students over-enrolled, are we the most over-enrolled campus?" President Whitmore said, "I don't know for sure. I would guess we are at the high end of that." Senator Phillips said, "Today is Census day for this campus, and the Chancellor's Office will be collecting data from all the campuses, so we should know before too much longer." President Whitmore said, "We will be happy to share that data with you when we get it."

Minutes of July 14, 2008 – No questions.

Minutes of August 18, 2008 – No questions.

Minutes of August 25, 2008 – No questions.

Senator McClory announced that there was an addendum to the consent calendar that was just distributed to Senators. The Senate voted and the consent calendar was approved with the addendum, No Nays, and 1 Abstention.

AVC McClory announced that the Board of Academic Freedom and Professional Responsibility desperately needs members. The members of this committee must be tenured, full professors that are elected to a four-year term by their colleges. Senators were encouraged to try to recruit full professors, and to report the names to their Dean's Office.

Senator McClory presented a

, from the floor on behalf of the Executive Committee.

CSU Statewide Senator/Past Chair Lessow-Hurley gave the following background information on this resolution. Senator Lessow-Hurley said, "There are 7 members of the [Faculty Trustee] Recommending Committee. Five of those members have been chosen by the CSU Statewide Senate in a democratic manner. The other two are chosen from campuses that are literally pulled out of a hat. We were chosen to be one of the two campuses selected in this random process. That is why we have such a short time line on this. It doesn't come up that often, which is why we don't have a process in place." Senator Backer made a point of clarification and said, "There is an existing bylaw 14 that talks about "other" elections. In other elections there is a generic procedure. This is a resolution to make a special procedure for this particular elec(encoTjID 10m)8(e)-6(m)815 Td(C. Execute00 Tc -0.00

request from Provost Carmen Sigler to put together a consulting committee of faculty peers to assist her in the campus-wide review of sabbatical requests. This resolution is to insert language into the existing sabbatical policy, S96-7, to create this committee. The Provost wanted a committee of peers to consult, because we have had changes in the Collective Bargaining Agreement, Article 27, Section 27.5 to 27.8. In the past, sabbatical leaves were allocated to the colleges. Each college had a certain number of sabbaticals, and they would nominate faculty to the Provost. With the new Collective Bargaining Agreement, sabbaticals are allocated university-wide and not by college. The Provost wanted a consulting committee of peers to assist her in selecting faculty. What AS 1397 does is insert two paragraphs into the existing sabbatical policy, S96-7, that identifies who the people on the committee shall be.”

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Senator Norton said, “The term of service says “may be 2 years.” Why does it say may be 2 years, instead of shall?” Senator Maldonado-Colon said, “We wanted to have some people on the committee that already knew the process, so that we could retain some people and not have everyone exit at the same time.” Senator Norton said, “It isn’t very clear what the actual term is.” Senator Maldonado-Colon said, “It is 2 years.”

Senator Lessow-Hurley said, “Could we have clarification as to whether the PS Committee can just propose this as a final reading without having a first reading?” Senator Norton said, “The initial decision to bring the resolution to the Senate as a first or second reading is made by the committee.” Senator Maldonado-Colon said, “The reason we brought it as a final reading is that we looked at the schedule of sabbaticals and when faculty are supposed to be notified.”

Senator Lessow-Hurley said, “This was put together at the request of the Provost, but the way I read it there is no mention of the Provost whatsoever. I’m not at all clear about how this will assist the Provost, as it speaks to making recommendations to the President.” Senator Maldonado-Colon said, “It is the Provost that makes the final recommendation to the President, and it was her request that we create the committee.” Senator Lessow-Hurley said, “Then the Provost should be a member of the committee.” Senator Maldonado-Colon said, “She will be.” Senator Lessow-Hurley said, “It doesn’t say that here.”

Senator Backer said, “By saying that the term may be up to two years, you will create a problem and we will probably end up having to fix that in the O&G Committee. Is there a reason why you didn’t consider staggering the terms?” Senator Maldonado-Colon said, “We were trying to follow the RTP Committee example.” Senator Backer said, “The RTP Committee members are appointed for two years now.”

Senator Hebert said, “From whom does the University Sabbatical Leaves Committee receive a recommendation?” Senator Maldonado-Colon said, “It is in Article 27 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement.” Senator Hebert said, “I do not have a copy with me at the moment.” Senator Maldonado-Colon said, “I have it, don’t worry. Article 27.5 says that, A Professional Leaves Committee composed of tenured faculty unit employees shall review



regarding sabbaticals. The committee doesn't need to include the Provost, they need to recommend to the Provost." Senator Lessow-Hurley withdrew her amendment.

Senator Norton presented a friendly amendment to change the last sentence of the resolution to read, "Committee members will serve for staggered two-year terms. Of the committee members first elected, the first three colleges in alphabetical order shall serve for terms of only one year."

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Senator Maldonado-Colon asked for a recap of what the Senate wants the PS Committee to do. Senator Lessow-Hurley asked for consultation with the Provost and to map the actual process. Senator Hebert asked for clarification as to where the Sabbatical Committee would be placed e.g. between the Dean and the President and to put that in writing. Senator Van Selst suggested consulting with the CFA. Senator Campsey asked that the committee consider ensuring that each college get a minimum number of sabbaticals.

Senator Von Till presented

Senator Backer presented a friendly amendment to change "Spring 2007" to "Spring 2008" in the first sentence of the first whereas clause.

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None  
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The Senate adjourned from 2:30 to 3:00 p.m. to welcome President Whitmore and his wife Jennifer Whitmore

Not Present.

Not Present.

VP Phillips said, "I thought I would give a brief rundown on enrollment. Today is Census day for Fall 2008. Census day is the official counting of all of our students. That happens at midnight tonight. However, as of Saturday night midnight, we had a total of 32,774 students enrolled. Of those, 30,480 are California residents and almost 2,300 are non-residents. We are funded in the state funding formula on the

basis of FTES count, which takes half of the total enrollment for summer, fall, and spring. We are currently projecting to be over our resident FTES by about 2,600. That is about 11.6% over target. For Spring 2009, Undergraduate applications were closed August 31<sup>st</sup>. International graduate application closing for Spring 2009 is September 30, 2008, and domestic graduate applications close no later than November 1<sup>st</sup>. For Fall 2009, we are anticipating closing applications at the end of the priority application filing period, which is the two-month period starting October 1 and ending November 30. We anticipate closing at that point to try and control enrollment. Whether we do or not will depend on the number of applications received, projected yield, etc.

Over the summer we engaged a construction manager, the O'Connor Group for the Student Center Facilities Project. We also engaged a design architect for the Student Union addition and renovation that is Perkins and Wills. And, we engaged a design architect for the recreation center that is HOK. Work will be starting very soon on engaging a design architect for the Student Health Center. Those will be the three Student Center Facilities Project architectural firms."

Senator Buzanski asked, "Will the construction of the new facilities you are talking about make it impossible for the Emeritus Faculty Association to hold its annual holiday affair in the University Room?" VP Phillips said, "This December?" Senator Buzanski said, "Yes." VP Phillips said, "Absolutely not. Construction is at least two-years away."

Senator Langdon asked, "I was wondering if the closing date for Graduate students is the same?" VP Phillips said, "For Fall 2009?" Senator Langdon said, "Yes." VP Phillips said, "No, it is not. It is not necessarily the same dates as Fall 2008, but those dates are worked out individually with the departments."

Senator Van Selst said, "Given the CSU interest in internationalization and global studies, etc. as we move the international application deadline earlier, particularly the graduate student dates around, what percentage of graduate students do we have right now and how are they going to be impacted?" Senator Stacks said, "About 1/3 of the graduate students are international students." Chair Meldal said, "The short answer is that the graduate Engineering programs would be severely curtailed and be very different in quality and composition to what they are today."

Senator Von Till said, "In addition to the remodeling of the Student Union, etc. is there anything in the plans for the much longed for gathering place for faculty." VP Phillips said, "Yes."

Senator Heiden said, "I'm a little confused when you say we are over-enrolled by 2,600 students and you say one of the solutions is to establish cutoff dates for applications, why is that considered instead of increasing the qualifications for



student admissions?” VP Phillips said, “The university, as part of the CSU system, adheres to a few system-wide guidelines to determine admissibility to the university. The only way to add additional criteria to the selection process, and that applies only to students outside our service area, is to declare ourselves an impacted campus. That requires announcing one year in advance. The earliest we could become an impacted campus is Fall 2010 by announcing it Fall of 2009. We would then have to obtain the necessary documents to get approval of the Board of Trustees in order to enact it.” Senator Heiden said, “How do we end up over-enrolled?” VP Phillips said, “Let’s talk afterwards.”

AS President Cavu-Litman said, “As our first program pertaining to civic engagement, we are having an event tomorrow from noon to 1 p.m. at the 7<sup>th</sup> Street plaza called “Vote for our Future.” Secretary of State, Debra Bowen, will be on campus to help us encourage students to vote. The deadline for registering to vote is November 9, 2008.”

Senator Van Selst asked, “I know the CSU is looking for each campus to register 5% of the new student body. Do you know where we are with that?” AS President Cavu-Litman said, “Our goal is above 5%. We are hoping to register 1,857 voters, which is the year SJSU was established. We have registered about 200 voters so far, but our events will be all month long.” Senator McClory said, “Are you going to do anything on election day to try and get people out to vote?” AS President Cavu-Litman said, “We are hoping to have voter booths on campus.”

VP Najjar said, “I just handed out th

ask for full funding for the Compact for items both above and below the line. The second resolution was to look at the Lower Division Transfer Project (LDTP). The Community Colleges haven't been full partners in this. In particular, there are issues surrounding the Articulation Officers not passing along things to the discipline faculty. There was a request for our Senate Executive Committee to meet with the Community College Executive Committee to figure out a way forward. A deep concern is that if nothing effective does happen it is likely to lead to legislation which is really what we don't want to happen.

Two first reading items included support of the alliance for the CSU, and basically looking for continued advocacy functions for the CSU beyond the current budget. The Governor's budget took about \$200 million out of the CSU which relative to other government agencies left us in a great position, because everyone else got cut more.

The final item which was acted on at the Board of Trustees meeting involved a change in policy for educational program such that if a campus has an existing program and there is a new minor within that program, it no longer has to go through the full WASC program.”

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.