Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting April 11, 2011

1. Consent calendar/committee update – Susan

POLICY COMMITTEES:			
COMMITTEE	NAME	UNIT	TERM
Instruction and Student Affairs Palomar Mansour Student 2011			

Approved unanimously

Announcements:

Humanities and Arts Senator nominee for one-year appointment: Andrew Fleck

Approved unanimously

Election Results for College of Business: Annette Nellen (2014) and Carol Reade (2013) have won election to the Senate.

New AS Senators:

Palomar Mansour replaces Eric Armendariz Schehrbano Khan replaces Venkat Peddada

Senator McClory provided the committee with preliminary assignments for 2011-2012 Senate Committees.

2. 2011-2012 Senate calendar – approved unanimously

Report from Sacramento and Senate Chairs meeting

President Kassing, Chair Kaufman and Larry Carr went to Sacramento for the **Day of Action**. They met with five legislators and discussed the status of budget cuts to higher education and how to avoid the "all cuts" budget that is looming.

At the Senate Chairs' meeting, Chair Kaufman learned that hiring for tenure-track faculty has dropped from 850 in 2006 to 100 in 2010 with a replacement value of 600.

The Chancellor's Office has a presidential level committee looking at online education. A consulting firm has been visiting campuses. Bill Nance reported that he has been consulted.

There was some discussion about the expansion of online courses as a way to save money being tried in the past and it has always proved to not work. There is a move to create synergy between campuses, perhaps to offer smaller programs on fewer campuses. They are looking at ways to collaborate with for-profit groups such as Pearson, Google and Disney and may look at it as a resource for delivering remediation.

Rose Lee announced that campus allocation letters are expected this week. These will be based on the first \$500 million cut. The Chancellor's Office is considering action at the system level that may include reduced enrollment targets, fee increases and pay adjustments.

3. Smoking policy update – Lynda

Senator Heiden provided a handout produced by Inspire Tobacco Prevention that rates Santa Clara County Colleges and Universities' Tobacco Policies. SJSU is tied with Stanford with an overall grade of F. We received grades of A in sale of tobacco and tobacco cessation, but an F for policy and enforcement.

The plan for revising our policy is to complete surveys this spring and revisit the policy next fall. Senator Lee reported that the sidewalks around the campus belong to the city. The question came up about sidewalks that were within 25 feet of a building entrance.

Whatever we come up with will need to be scheduled by the Chancellor's Office for a meet and confer. We may want to model SFSU's policy with designated smoking locations since their policy has already gone through the process. SFSU enforces their policy with a \$58 fine. The proceeds go toward smoking cessation programs. They have issued hundreds of them just since January. They put a hold on student records if the fines are not paid.

4. Housing appeals update – Lynda

The Housing Appeals Committee has been meeting. They have 28 pending appeals. Senator Heiden provided a copy of the appeal petition. A question was asked about why veterans are exempt. There was no clear answer but it was noted that it might be because of age and that it is common practice. Currently, they are examining 10 petitions for financial reasons, 1 for medical and 2 for work issues. The rest have been returned for additional documentation.

Senator Gleixner reported that IS&A has been looking into a new housing policy. It was suggested that all or part of the Appeals Committee hold a joint meeting with IS&A. If

changes are to be made, they would need to be in place in time for publication of the

Senator Lee reported that we have additional medical/dental expenses this year because of the new health care bill that allows dependents to stay on their parent's insurance for additional years. There are also additional expenses for PERS.

Senator Van Selst reported that the Statewide Academic Senate is considering a constitutional amendment regarding Academic Freedom.

There is also a resolution pendi