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MEMORANDUM

June 7, 2024

TO: Dr. Nola Butler-Byrd, Chair, University Senate

FROM: Adela de la Torre, President

Re: Action Memo, University Senate meeting, dated May 7 and 9, 2024

I approve the following action from the University Senate, which they took at their May 7 and 9, 2024 meeting:

4.1.1. Curriculum Changes, Undergraduate and Graduate

Approved by unanimous consent.

4.1.2. Curriculum Changes, Undergraduate and Graduate - AB 928

Approved by unanimous consent.

4.1.3. Institutional Learning Outcome #7

Passed (42 Y | 15 | 13 Abstain).

4.1.4. Cheating and Plagiarism

Approved by unanimous consent.

4.2.2. Update to Policy Language Regarding SDSU Syllabi

Passed (46 Y | 2 N | 6 Abstain)

4.4.1. Update Policy File Language for Faculty-Student Relations

Approved by unanimous consent.

4.4.2. Update Policy File Language for Retroactive Withdraw

Approved by unanimous consent.

4.4.3. Graduate Programs

Approved by unanimous consent.

4.5.1. Faculty Emeritus Request

Approved by unanimous consent.

4.6.1. Undergraduate Programs

Approved by unanimous consent.

4.8.1. Graduation Report

Approved by unanimous consent.

4.9.1. Modification of Automatic Signature Content Attached to Senator Discussions Listserv Posts

Approved by unanimous consent. (21 Y | 11 N | 19 Abstain)

4.10.1. Bylaws 3.4 - URP membership - Second Reading

Approved by unanimous consent.

6.9.1. Problems with URP's charge to review curriculum proposals from the perspective of resources Asian American Studies - Major and Minor Decision

Motion to approve the two curriculum proposals (Asian American Studies Minor and Asian American Studies Major) and thereby amend the recommendation of URP passed (24 Y | 16 N | 5 Abstain).

I receive the following action from the University Senate, which they took at their May 7 and 9, 2024 meeting:

4.1.5. Search Committees - University Administrators

Motion to approve this policy update as amended passed by unanimous consent.

I would like to sincerely thank the Senate and especially the AP&P committee for your time and thoughtful work that went into this proposal to standardize several of our search committees. At this time, I receive this action only, as I believe that there is great value in differentiating the composition of search committees based on the unique portfolio and expertise needed to successfully identify the best leaders for the positions identified in this section, and moving "additional elected seats" to an ad hoc process risks denying multiple critical voices which have long been a part of these important searches. As an example, having multiple faculty librarians (in addition to outside faculty) to inform the search process for the unique role of the Dean of the Library is important to me to preserve, and would be impacted by the proposed new language which limits the number of faculty which can be elected from one unit. Similarly, in any future search for a Vice President for University Relations and Development, in addition to the current five faculty voices, it has been critically important to me to have the input of development officers and development staff themselves, alumni voices, foundation voices (as the role serves as the automatic president of the Campanile Foundation, and its board should have a seat on the selection committee), and athletics representatives, in addition to student voices. These categories are all currently defined in Senate policy, but would become subject to individual approval or denial under the proposed replacement standard language, which could negatively impact the comprehensiveness of the process for the campus and its future presidents. I would like my office to engage with the senate officers and the AP&P committee to identify what components of the current and proposed new/standardized structures might make sense for these committees such that they maximize their chances of a highly successful search, allow for expertise local to a division or college to be uniquely captured, and which achieve a number of the other goals as stated by the AP&P committee in their current proposal.

5.1.1. Resolution on Priorities for Collegiality, Inclusivity, and Equity for IV Faculty in Home Departments on the San Diego Mesa Campus. Approved by unanimous consent.

5.2.1. Support of Students' Right to Protest Acts of Terrorism, War Crimes, Crimes Against Humanity, and Genocide Against all People—Specifically Palestinians in Gaza and the West Bank Motion (Skupin/Shultz) to remove all words in the title after "Genocide". Amended resolution passed (29 Y | 9 N | 2 Abstain)