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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

October 1, 2003 – 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. in St. Mary's 113B

PRESIDING: Joe Saliba

SENATORS PRESENT: Dandaneau, Gauder, Gerla, Kocoloski, Morman, Partlow, Pestello, Rapp, Saliba, Yungblut

1. Opening Prayer: J. Saliba opened the meeting with a prayer from Psalm 139.
2. Approval of ECAS Minutes for September 17, 2003: The September 17, 2003 minutes were approved as written.
3. Announcements
 - (a) A volunteer is needed to speak at the October 4 Part-Time Workshop. Laura Yungblut may be able to do it.
 - (b) There will be an ECAS meeting next Wednesday, October 8, to open discussion about the possibility of a Global Awareness/International Competency. J. Saliba has asked Roger Crum, Faiza Shereen and Pat Johnson to be guests at the meeting.
4. UDit Strategic Planning: The Response from the Academic Senate Subcommittee regarding the UDit strategic plan was deemed sufficient in its response to forward to the APC for comment. There was a request to include the names of the subcommittee members in the document. A copy will also be distributed to the entire Academic Senate for informational purposes only, pending F. Pestello's approval to do.
5. September 18 Strategic Planning Open Forum Report: L. Yungblut reported that the session was fairly crowded and discussion centered around two main points: "internationalization" and the need to make the natural sciences programs more effective as revenue-generating programs. There will be another open forum October 22, which will then be summarized, along with the Sept. 18 forum and ECAS and Academic Senate discussions, into a two-page report for F. Pestello.
6. Advisory Council for Positioning Strategy – Fran Evans: J. Saliba reported that he responded to Fran Evans' email, declining the opportunity to work as the Advisory Council for Positioning Strategy, but that the Academic Senate would be willing to provide continued support for the positioning effort. J. Saliba and J.

Rapp will work together to form a taskforce regarding this matter.

7. The Time for Excellence Planning Document: A draft planning document for The Time for Excellence was distributed to ECAS members. Of note is paragraph 5, which outlines Academic Senate actions. J. Saliba noted that he plans to make a sole request to the ELC--funding to support the implementation of academic excellence. Discussion followed. Comments stressed the need to get at the operational level where peers influence peers in order to effect change.

Meeting adjourned at 4 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Heidi Gauder