EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES February 26, 2007

Present: McClory, Thames, Hebert, Phillips, Lessow-Hurley, Kassing,

Meldal, Lee, Najjar, Bros, Gutierrez, Sigler, Veregge

Absent: Lee, Van Selst

Guests: Reichard, Nellen

1. The consent calendar was approved.

- The Executive Committee discussed AS 1352, Policy Recommendation, Repeal of S00-4, Policies and Procedures for Naming of Colleges, Schools, and Other Academic Entities at San Jose State University (First Reading). Senator Hebert will present it to the Senate for a first reading today.
- 3. The Executive Committee discussed a confidential naming opportunity. The Executive Committee voted and the motion was approved.
- 4. Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer Gary Reichard introduced himself and gave a brief presentation. Dr. Reichard is a historian and taught at several universities including Ohio State, University of Delaware, University of Maryland, and Florida Atlantic before coming to Long Beach in 1994. Dr. Reichard discussed several issues he considers most important including transparency, voluntary system accountability, strategic planning, and the campus conversations. Several members of the Executive Committee brought up issues of concern including unfunded mandates, faculty workload, and academic freedom.
- The Executive Committee discussed and selected members for the Senate Nominating Committee for 2007-2008. Chair Lessow-Hurley, Vice Chair Thames and Past Chair Veregge will solicit nominees for Senate Officer positions.
- 6. The Executive Committee discussed the SDSU plan to host a campus-wide forum on collegiality in the event of a faculty strike. It was decided that a forum was not necessary at SJSU at this time. The Executive Committee further discussed the need to respect everyone's position in this issue. The Executive Committee and/or the Senate may need to revisit this issue in the event of a strike.

- 7. Policy Committee Reports:
 - a. Professional Standards Committee (PS):
 The PS Committee is working on peer review.
 - b. Instruction and Student Affairs (I&SA):

Senator Meldal will be presenting *AS 1350, Policy Recommendation, Academic Integrity (First Reading)* to the Senate today. The I&SA Committee will be bringing a resolution revising the Student Fairness Committee policy at a later date. Future action items for I&SA include accessibility of instructional materials, and advising.

c. Organization and Government Committee (O&G):

The O&G Committee is rewriting the charge of the Assessment Committee. Other referrals to O&G include reviews of the Athletics Board, Resource Planning Board (RPB), and the question of whether to designate a chair position on the Senate.

8. Professor Nellen gave an update on the President's Reading Group that was started in Fall 2005. This fall the group read a selection of readings on diversity. This particular group has indicated that they would like to continue meeting through spring. Professor Nellen suggested that the Senate might become support the group as it works to address issues related to diversity and develop strategies to enhance cultural competencies for all SJSU employees. It was noted that the President's Reading Group is an excellent community builder, and the Committee encouraged the President to continue to support the activity.