The President’s Council met on Monday, May 11, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was held in the Broome Library at California State University Channel Islands, One University Drive, Camarillo.


Guests in attendance: Damon Blue, Nancy Gill, Toni Rice

1. Welcome (Rush)
President Rush welcomed all to the last President’s Council of the academic year. Responsibility for taking notes this session went to Gary Berg.

2. President’s Reports (Rush)
President Rush reported that at the upcoming Trustee meeting it is expected that student fees will be increased by 10%. Additionally, he shared that in a meeting with the Chancellor, a request for increased enrollment levels for the Channel Islands campus will be made. However, it is unclear at this time if such a request will be granted.

3. Land Acquisition (Rush)
President Rush announced that the formal acquisition of adjacent property to the north of campus has occurred. The University is now in the process of making the property usable for students and faculty. To that end, some of the existing structures will be removed because of safety concerns, and use by various community groups negotiated. It is expected that immediate use for the new property will include faculty and student research, as well as opportunities for student hiking. The President noted that with this additional land the University now has one of the largest contiguous campus properties in the CSU system.

4. CSUCI Logos (Rush)
President Rush presented the new campus logo designs. He explained the process of redesigning the logo, beginning with the assistance of the Development Office in securing the services of an experienced consultant, John Ridgeway, who met with a large number of campus representatives seeking input. The clean and modern new logo emphasizes the “California” and “university” aspects of the campus identity because of their broad appeal to potential students, especially internationally. For local audiences, the “Channel Islands” or “CI” can also be stressed. Additionally, the President shared an informal logo developed for use with campus athletics and in student store merchandizing. CSUCI art students under the guidance of Liz King drafted over 100 informal logos for review by a committee which eventually forwarded five designs to the President.

5. Upcoming Policy (Eyermann)
Therese Eyermann reported that as part of the larger campus sustainability effort, a new committee has been formed headed by Debra Wylie with the task of creating a purchasing policy sensitive to ecological concerns. She asked that those interested in serving on this committee please contact Ms. Wylie.
6. Policies
RECOMMENDATION

Policy on Commencement Participation (Blue)
Damon Blue noted changes to the existing Commencement Participation Policy including the specification of an end date of August 31st for coursework leading to a degree for spring graduation, as well as an option for students to opt out of being listed in the Commencement Program. John Yudelson pointed out that “Bachelors” and “Masters” should have apostrophes and be capitalized. With these minor changes, the policy was approved unanimously.

Policy on Posting of Signage and Materials in Internal Spaces within the Campus Community (Rice)
Tony Rice noted one addition to the existing policy, that “This policy does not supersede any provision of any Collective Bargaining Agreement.” John Yudelson once again pointed out a misspelling under “Background” section—“esthetic” should be spelled “aesthetic”. With this change, the policy was approved.

Next Meeting will be schedule in the Fall (TBA)

Respectfully Submitted,
Gary Berg