California Baptist University
Faculty Council
Minutes – Meeting held September 27, 1999, 3:00 PM


Due to time constraints with the Board of Trustees meeting review with Dr. Ellis at 3:30, no prayer requests were taken.

Bruce Stokes announced that the all faculty meeting scheduled for 10:12 AM on October 4 would be devoted to discussion of the proposed policy of Academic Freedom that was submitted for review by the faculty on September 20, 1999. It was noted that any policy drafted and proposed by the faculty should be submitted to the Board of Trustees and legal counsel for final review.

Erlinda Martinez, registrar, submitted some points for clarification of the agreement to accept the academic AA or AS degrees from RCC (or other community colleges) as previously adopted at the October 2, 1998 meeting of the Faculty Council. The clarifications were:

1. Only Associate degrees which are academic (non-vocational), meeting IGETC requirements would be accepted.

2. An academic, IGETC compatible Associate degree can be accepted from any accredited community college.

3. Prerequisites for the major, as stipulated in the University Catalog, must be met, if not included in the Associate degree coursework.

4. Students with an Associate of Science degree who wish to complete a Bachelor of Arts degree, must complete the additional courses for the BA degree general education requirements (foreign language and applied art). Students with an Associate of Arts degree who wish to complete a Bachelor of Science degree must complete the additional courses for the BS general education requirements (additional units in math and/or science).

5. Credit for an Associate degree can only be issued at the time of initial matriculation of the student at Cal Baptist. (A student may not transfer an Associate degree after matriculation from CBU.)
6. Students transferring an Associate degree must complete the following CBU general education courses, or the equivalent if not included in the Associate degree coursework: HUM 213 & 223 (Humanities I & II), CST 110, 130 & 300/353 (Old Testament, New Testament, Baptist Thought/Comparative Religions), ENG 113 & 123 (Composition).*

*Evening College students are exempt from CST 300 Baptist Thought or CST 353 Comparative Religions, and take CST 100 Overview of the Bible, in lieu of CST 110 and 130.

A motion to adopt these clarifications into the original agreement was made by Wayne Swindall. The motion was seconded and carried.

Amy Stumpf asked that a listing of courses that are designated as having either writing, technology, or multi-culture content be submitted by each department as soon as possible. She also requested that reasons for course designation as general education requirements be submitted as soon as possible.

The council was given the following resolution from the September 17, 1999 meeting of the Academic Standards Committee, applying to Graduate students:

Students who have not completed program prerequisites may be admitted as Conditional students, with the following stipulations for the first semester of enrollment:

1. If three or more prerequisites are outstanding, the student may not enroll in a graduate program.

2. If two or fewer prerequisites are needed, they must be completed with a grade of C or higher by the end of the first semester of the enrollment in a graduate program.

In any one semester, a graduate student may not enroll in more than 12 units at California Baptist University (undergraduate or graduate); individual programs may have a limit lower than 12 units per semester. Students requesting an exception must receive written permission from the program director and the Vice President for Academic Affairs.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:24 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Sheere, Secretary
September 28, 1999