Senators Present:
Elizabeth Bergman, Steven Borish, Paul Carpenter, John Eros, Denise Fleming, Chandra Ganesh, Karina Garbesi, Kim Geron, Nina Haft, George Hanna, Michael Hedrick, Erik Helgren, Thomas Hird, Murray Horne, Linda Ivey, Pat Jennings, Kevin Kaatz, Yi Karnes, Mark Karplus, Sherman Lewis, Robert Lin, James Mitchell, Matthew Moore, Leroy Morishita, James Murray, Jeffrey Newcomb, Jenny O, Gretchen Reevy, Jason Smith, Rachael Stryker, James Tandon, Mitch Watnik, Andrew Wong

Guests Present:
Nick Baham, Linda Dobb, Corey Gin, Dawna Komorosky, Nyassa Love Johnson, Robert Loveland, Lindsay McCrea, Mark Robinson, Sophie Rollins, Maureen Scharberg, Angela Schneider, Steve Ugbah, Donna Wiley

Senators Absent:
Stephen Andrews, Gilberto Arriaza, Ayona Chatterjee, Shannon Coskran, Eric Fricke (*fall sabbatical*), Susan Gubernat (*fall sabbatical*), Jennie Guzman, Margaret Harris, Yi He, Edward Inch, Sukari Ivester, Ehsan Kamalinejad, Nancy Mangold, Christopher Moreman, Sharon Radcliff, Pradeep Ramanathan, Sara Smith, Meiling Wu

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m.

1. Approval of the agenda

M/S/P (Garbesi/Stryker) to approve as amended.

Note: Reports of the standing committee chairs will be coded 16-17 BC 1.

2. Standing Rules of the Academic Senate

M/S/P (Garbesi/Reevy) to approve as amended

M/S/P (Fleming/Newcomb) to amend to change 4.7 to read as follows:

4.7 First and Second Readings (for Senate meetings)
   a. Action items shall be considered over two Senate meetings, during the “First Reading” and “Second Reading” processes.
   b. The first time an action item appears on the Senate agenda and is discussed or considered by the Body shall be considered as the First Reading.
   c. Any action item that appears on the agenda, but is not considered because of adjournment, is not automatically placed on the next Senate agenda. The Executive Committee,
in discharging its duty under 3.1 above, will determine the appropriate placement of all new and “continuing” business on subsequent Senate agenda(s).

d. Action items are not amended during the first reading.

e. During the First Reading, members may raise questions and offer suggestions to the sponsoring committee(s).

f. Referral back to the Executive Committee or the originating committee between First and Second Reading shall not prevent the item from becoming a Second Reading when it returns to the Senate floor.

g. The requirement for a First Reading may be waived upon a 2/3 vote of the body and be considered a Second Reading.

h. Information items and acceptance of reports do not require second readings.

M/S/P (Fleming/Garbesi) to amend to add the following as 6.5:

6.5 In the event an item does not adhere to proper formatting, the body may determine by a majority vote that the item is sufficiently important to warrant its consideration. In such cases, corrections to achieve appropriate formatting of the final document will be completed post hoc. In no instance shall a minor formatting error or typo be considered sufficient cause to prevent an item from consideration. [following sections renumbered]

M/S/P (Fleming Mitchell) to amend 4.6 to change the last sentence to read as follows:

A division of the house may be conducted by electronic means, provided that the members’ votes are all publicly displayed by the total of ayes and nays

M/S/P (Mitchell/Jennings) to amend to add the code designation “G” for action items put forward by students

3. Reports

A. Report of the Chair

Chair Karplus welcomed all to the first meeting of the 2016-17 academic year and thanked all senators for their service. He reported that ExCom held a retreat and had its first official meeting last week, with President Morishita and Provost Inch in attendance at both events.

Karplus announced that the next Senate meeting will be October 25 with a change of venue to UU A or B. More information will be forthcoming.

In response to a request from Dr. Lewis, Chair Karplus stated that voter registration materials were available for those who wished to register.

Karplus stated that he attended a lecture by Dr. Cornel West at CSU Sacramento, where he learned a new word, *parrhesia*. The word means “fearless speech” a concept that is most befitting of a public university.
B. Report of the President

President Morishita welcomed Senators to the first meeting of the year and extended his thanks to all for their service to the University. He announced that Provost Inch is at the Provosts’ Academic Council.

The President discussed the impaction process as a way to mediate expanding enrollment. Impaction is undesirable in many ways, but he stated that other campuses are engaging in the process and there is a need to limit enrollment.

Morishita also reported that the Fall started with a banner week, with the highly successful Gala event and the kickoff to the new capital campaign, tag-lined “Rising in the East.” The goal is to raise $60M by June 2019; $34M has already been raised. He encouraged all to check the new web site and video.

CSUEB was awarded two AANAPISI (Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-Serving) grants, a part F grant to serve Asian American students and a Part A grant to serve Hispanic students). Since institutions are allowed only one grant award, CSUEB accepted the Part A grant, as it will serve more students. The President announced that ATT awarded CSUEB a $500K grant aimed at drop-out prevention program in the Hayward Promise Neighborhood service area high schools. These new funds will continue the programs established two years ago at Hayward High School and Tennyson High School and will also expand services to Mt. Eden High School.

In other announcements, President Morishita reported that CSUEB was named to President Obama’s Community Engagement Honor Roll and that CSUEB alum Gene Luen Yang was selected as a 2016 MacArthur Foundation Genius grant winner for his graphic novels, including American Born Chinese.

Thursday is the Faculty Recognition & Reception Event, which will honor faculty who earned tenure and/or promotion, as well as the recipient of the Outstanding Professor Award. There will also be a tribute to the President’s mentor and former CSUH provost, Maurice Dance, who retired in 1992 and passed away last year.

In response to a question about how SB 412: The California Promise (Glazer) would affect our campus, the President responded that any implementation at CSUEB would likely be some time off, due to the semester conversion process. The implementation timeline is a three-tiered process, with 8 campuses participating in the AY 17-18 first wave, followed by a total of 14, then 20 campuses in the second and third waves. Campuses will be required to ensure that students taking 15 units per term will be able to graduate within four years. The President added that, for a variety of reasons, the Promise doesn’t work well for some students, whose lives may not be conducive to a 15-unit load. In terms of implications for enrollment priority, the CSU is taking a watch position.
In response to a question regarding the status of litigation over the Master Plan, the President stated that the CSU prevailed on appeal and in the State Supreme Court. The matter is now in mediation for settlement. Once the matter is concluded, a new physical master plan approved by the Board of Trustees, prior to the President’s arrival at CSUEB, will be used as the basis for moving forward.

C. Report of the Provost

No Report: Provost attending Academic Council

D. Report of the Statewide Academic Senators

Senator Fleming reported that the ASCSU held committee meetings and Plenary September 13-16. The CSU 2025 Graduation Initiative dominated many of the discussions. Fleming stated that the Chancellor appointed Dr. James T. Minor, Ph.D., to the position of senior strategist for Academic Success and Inclusive Excellence.

Among other items, the ASCSU passed a resolution in support of Proposition 55 and another resolution calling for implementation of selected recommendations found in the recently released Quantitative Reasoning Task Force (QRTF) Report. The QRTF Report may be accessed at http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Records/Reports/documents/QRTF.FinalReport.KSSF.pdf

Fleming also reported that ASCSU is considering ways to engage with the Chancellor’s Office in productive discussions around Academic Freedom and Intellectual Property.

For more on the ASCSU September Plenary, see http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Records/Plenary.shtml

E. Report of Student Government

ASI Senator Joanna Giron (CSCI) reported for ASI President Erhahon. She stated that the new Board of Directors held an August retreat. Giron informed senators of the ASI Scholarship, targeted at high achieving students in financial need.

Senator Giron reported that the ASI plans to sponsor a resolution that to grant board members priority registration status.

Upcoming events include It’s on Us, Take Back the Night, and Hook-up, which are all aimed at preventing and educating about sexual, domestic, and/or relationship violence and misconduct. In addition, the Helping Our Pioneers Excel (HOPE) intervention program (to assist students with housing and food insecurity) will open a food pantry on October 19.

F. Report of Semester Conversion

Dr. Hedrick reminded senators to become familiar with the three proposed time modules, as these will come before the Senate for a vote this term. Related documents are available on the Semester Conversion website. He added that Glen Perry and consultants are running the models
using the current schedules to see how well the models work. As soon as data from these tests are available, Hedrick will provide same to the Senate.

The first meeting of the Semester Conversion Steering Committee will be Friday from 12-2 in the Oakland Concord Room in the new Union. Also, subcommittees are starting to meet. Hedrick reported that the GE subcommittee will meet to discuss proposals for GE and Overlay certification. There is a need for a faculty member from CLASS or CEAS to serve on the Faculty Development Subcommittee (members receive 4 units release time).

G. Report of the CFA

CFA President Baham urged senators to advocate for and vote yes on Proposition 55. He also encouraged all to attend today’s CFA meeting to share ideas about the successor contract.

3. Information Items

A. 16-17 BC 1: Committee Chair Annual Reports

(Garbesi/Hird) to accept the reports as information items

CIC Chair Watnik asked that Mukerjee be added to the CIC report and that the reports be coded with as 16-17 BC 1: Committee Chair Annual Reports

B. 16-17 BEC 2: Executive Committee and Academic Senate Meeting Schedule

M/S/P (Mitchell/Reevy) to accept

C. Registration Holds for Sexual Misconduct Prevention Training

M/S/P (Garbesi/Hedrick) to accept the Registration Hold for Sexual Misconduct as an information item

Nyassa Love and Angela Schneider stated that 12,000 students still need to successfully complete the online sexual harassment training; 3500 students have completed it. Those who do not complete the training by October 28 will face a hold on their Winter Registration; however, once registration begins, students who complete the training will have their hold cleared hourly via a batch process.

Senators expressed concerns that the hold may be viewed as a punishment rather than contextualizing the training as a way to create a campus free of violence. Another concern was the possibility of a server crash in the event of high numbers of users.

Fleming stated that the high non-compliance numbers are the result of CSUEB not acting promptly and proactively; this is evidenced by CSUEB being the only CSU campus out of compliance with Chancellor’s Office and federally-mandated annual Title IX training. Enrollment holds are consequential, but the increased risk of sexual harassment and violence that
training may mediate are even more consequential. Fleming added that CSUEB is also out of compliance with faculty training in this area.

5. Elections:

A. At-large Senator for remainder of 2015-17 term

Dawna Komorosky (Chair, Criminal Justice) was elected via ballot

B. Member of the CSU Faculty Trustee Recommending Committee

M/S/P (Mitchell/Newcomb) to elect Denise Fleming

C. 16-17 BEC 3: Election of 16-17 University Committee on Layoffs (UCL)

M/S/P (Garbesi/Reevy) to approve the slate

6. Action Item:

A. 16-17 BEC 5: Change in Due Date for Proposals for Exceptional Levels of Service to Students Awards for 2016-17

M/S/P (Murray/Geron) to ratify the approval of 16-17 BEC 5 by the Executive Committee

7. Adjournment

M/S/P (Mitchell/Garbesi) to adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:38 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Denise Fleming, Secretary