



THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

13-14 BEC 16
May 13, 2014

TO: The Academic Senate
FROM: The Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
SUBJECT: Resolution in Support of AB 2324
PURPOSE: For acceptance by the Academic Senate

1. **RESOLVED:** That the Academic Senate of California State University East Bay (CSUEB) thank the Board of Trustees for including the Faculty Trustee Holdover Appointment proposal in their Legislative Program for 2014; and be it further
2. **RESOLVED:** That the CSUEB Senate express its appreciation to Assembly Member Das Williams for introducing Assembly Bill 2324, Trustees of the California State University: faculty member of the board, on February 21, 2014; and be it further
3. **RESOLVED:** That the CSUEB request that members of the CSUEB community register support for AB 2324 as it moves through the legislative process; and be it further
4. **RESOLVED:** That the CSUEB Academic Senate distribute this resolution to
 - CSU Chancellor,
 - CSU Board of Trustees,
 - CSUEB President Leroy Morishita
 - ASCSU President Diana Guerin
 - Assembly Member Das Williams,
 - CSU campus Senate Chairs,
 - California Faculty Association,
 - California State Student Association,
 - CSU Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association

- CSU Office of Advocacy and State Relations,
- Assembly Committee on Higher Education of the California State Legislature,
- CSU campus Presidents,

RATIONALE: The Faculty Trustee provides the Board of Trustees (BOT) with both expertise and a faculty perspective in areas of academic policy as well as matters of Academic Senate CSU curricular and fiscal concern affecting the CSU. In addition, the presence of a Faculty Trustee strengthens faculty confidence in BOT actions. In recent years, however, there have been lengthy intervals during which no Faculty Trustee has been appointed to the Board, the longest being the period from 2009 to 2011, which resulted in the Faculty Trustee position staying vacant for an entire 2-year term. This again occurred more recently in the summer and fall of 2013 –a period of several months during which the Board met twice without a Faculty Trustee.

AB 2324 addresses the ongoing concern raised by the ASCSU and several campus senates pertaining to the lack of a faculty trustee on the CSU Board of Trustees, most recently described in the ASCSU and CSUEB Academic resolutions listed below.

AS-3153-13/FGA/FA, Ensuring the Continuous Presence of a Faculty Trustee on the California State University Board of Trustees

<http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Records/Resolutions/2013-2014/documents/3153.pdf>

AS-3141-13/EX, Concern over Delay in Governor’s Appointment of CSU Faculty Trustee

<http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Records/Resolutions/2013-2014/documents/3141.pdf>

2013-14 BEC 5, Resolution Regarding Appointment of a Faculty Trustee

<http://www20.csueastbay.edu/faculty/senate/committees/excom/13-14/13-14-docs/12-13-bec-5-fac-trustee-resolution.pdf>