CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY

OFFICE OF THE
ACADEMIC SENATE

APPROVED Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting, November 26, 2013

Members Present: Eileen Barrett, Luz Calvo, Jennifer Eagan, Denise Fleming, Susan Gubernat, Patricia Jennings, Mark Karplus, Derek Kimball, James Murray, Mitch Watnik

Guests Present: Endre Branstad, Glen Perry, Gretchen Reevy, Sarah Taylor, Donna Wiley

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

1. Approval of the agenda

M/S/P (Gubernat/Murray) to give adjournment a time certain of 2:50 p.m. so that Executive Committee members may attend the 3:00 p.m. Diversity Center meeting on the recent events at San Jose State. M/S/P (Fleming/Kimball) to add discussion of Resolution against SJSU hate crimes as Item 5.A and renumber Constitution and Bylaws Discussion as Item 5.B. M/S/P (Kimball/Eagan) to remove the time certains for Discussion of Liberal Arts Education and Discussion of Online Teaching and add 13-14 CIC 6: Modifying Online Schedule Links to Separate Extension and Stateside Courses as the last item of New Business. M/S/P (Barrett/Eagan) to give 12/3/13 Draft Academic Senate Agenda a time certain of 2:45 pm. M/S/P (Gubernat/Kimball) to approve the agenda as amended.

2. Approval of the minutes of November 19, 2013

M/S/P (Barrett/Calvo) to approve. There was one abstention.

3. Reports:

A. Report of the Chair

Chair Watnik provided history on 12-13 FAC 9, presenting a timeline later emailed to the Senate as part of his report of the chair for the December 3 Senate meeting. Two years ago 11-12 BEC 4 was developed to remove the requirement that a majority of regular faculty vote for Constitution and Bylaws changes. It passed the Senate, amended to include a defined election length and a two-thirds voting requirement for Bylaws changes. The election regarding 11-12 BEC 4 was held in February 2012 and the President ratified it in March 2012. Also in March 2012, 11-12 CR 2 (Policies and Procedures for Centers and Institutes) was sent to the Senate and approved. And in June 2012, the Senate sent 11-12 cFDE 2, to establish FDEC as a standing committee, to ballot. In October 2012 the election was held on 11-12 cFDE 2 and it passed with much more than a two-thirds vote, although less than half of the regular faculty voted. 12-13 CAPR 4, an interpretation of CAPR membership that would expire after one year, was approved by the Senate in November. 12-13 CAPR 7, a proposal to change the Bylaws in place of the
interpretation, was sent to ballot by the Senate in January 2013 and passed in February 2013. In February 2013 the Senate Chair reported to the President and ExCom that the Constitution was not aligned with 11-12 BEC 4. Changes to the Constitution affecting how the Bylaws are to be amended had been left off the ballot. In May 2013, the Senate amended 12-13 FAC 9 (changes to Constitution and Bylaws) and 12-13 CR 3 (changes to Bylaws) and sent both to ballot. They passed in June 2013. Watnik reported that the President has raised concerns about the amendments to 12-13 CR 3 and will likely veto 12-13 FAC 9.

B. Report of the Provost

There was no report.

C. Report of the Statewide Academic Senators

Statewide Academic Senator Gubernat speaking about the visit of ASCSU Executive Committee members to Sacramento reported that legislators are aware of faculty concerns about MOOCs. Michael Lynch, aide to Assembly Member Jones-Sawyer from Los Angeles, shared concerns that not enough is being done about the graduation gap for black male students.

4. Old Business:

5. New Business:

A. Resolution against SJSU hate crimes (item added during approval of the agenda)

M/S/P (Fleming/Kimball) to place on the Senate agenda a resolution condemning the hate crimes that took place at San Jose State, to be drafted as a BEC and approved by email. The vote was unanimous.


B. Constitution and Bylaws Discussion (item renumbered during approval of the agenda)

i. Lack of presidential approval, voting minimum not met

ii. 12-13 FAC 9 amended

iii. 12-13 CR 3 revised

There was brief discussion, to be continued.

At the request of CR Chair Sarah Taylor, and there being no objection, Item 5.H followed Item 5.B. Time certain Item 6 Adjournment then followed Item 5.H.

C. 13-14 FDEC 2: Diversity Rubric for CAPR Five-Year Reviews
D. Theater and Dance discontinuance requests (consent calendar?)
   i. 13-14 CAPR 2, 13-14 CIC 7: Theatre and Dance for Children and Community option
   ii. 13-14 CAPR 3, 13-14 CIC 8: Children’s Theatre and Dance minor
   iii. 13-14 CAPR 4, 13-14 CIC 9: Theatre: History and Literature option
E. 13-14 BC 3: Call for an Ad Hoc Constitution Committee
F. 13-14 CR 1: Resolution Endorsing the Recommendations of the 2011 Research Strategic Planning Task Force
G. 13-14 CR 2: Proposal for the Financial Literacy Center
H. 13-14 CR 3: Proposal for the Center for Economic Education
M/S/P (Kimball/Jennings) to place on the Senate agenda. Time certain Item 6 Adjournment then followed Item 5.H.
I. 13-14 CIC 4 revised: Policy for Renewal of General Education Classifications (information)
J. 13-14 CIC 10: Revised Policy on Withdrawals
K. 13-14 FAC 1: Interpretation of the Rules on Quorum
L. 13-14 BEC 8: Uniformity of Elections Policy
M. 12/3/13 Draft Academic Senate Agenda (2:40 time certain) (time certain changed to 2:45 during approval of the agenda)
M/S/P (Gubernat/Barrett) to add Resolution against SJSU hate crimes as the first Action Item as BEC 9. M/S/P (Barrett/Jennings) to approve the Senate agenda as amended. Item 5.B followed 5.M.
N. Discussion of Liberal Arts Education (2:45 time certain) (time certain removed during approval of the agenda)
O. Discussion of Online Teaching (3:15 time certain) (time certain removed during approval of the agenda)
P. 13-14 CIC 6: Modifying Online Schedule Links to Separate Extension and Stateside Courses
   (item added during approval of the agenda)
6. Adjournment (given a time certain of 2:50 during approval of the agenda)
M/S/P (Gubernat/Murray) to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Karplus, Secretary