

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY

OFFICE OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

APPROVED Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting, November 22, 2016

Members Present: Denise Fleming, Karina Garbesi, Kim Geron, Nina Haft, Erik Helgren, Edward Inch, Mark Karplus, Jeffrey Newcomb, Meiling Wu

Guests: Derek Aitken, Patricia Irvine, Lindsay McCrea, Glen Perry, Mark Robinson, Sophie Rollins, Maureen Scharberg, Jason Smith, Aline Soules, Donna Wiley

Members Absent: Susan Gubernat (*fall sabbatical*), Michael Hedrick, Leroy Morishita

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

1. Approval of the agenda

M/S/P (Haft/Garbesi) to approve the agenda, as amended to add the appointment to the ad hoc Committee on Sustainability for Winter 17 vacancy as item 4f.

2. Approval of the 11/08/16 minutes

M/S/P (Garbesi/Newcomb) to approve

3. Reports

A. Report of the Chair

Chair Karplus reported that the ad hoc Committee on Sustainability met and elected as its chair Karina Garbesi.

Karplus will attend the Senate Chairs meeting on December 1 in Long Beach. Members should advise the Chair of any issues or questions they would like him to take to the meeting.

B. Report of the President

Not in attendance

C. Report of the Provost

Provost Inch extended all his wishes for a happy and restful Thanksgiving holiday.

In the aftermath of the election, he is mindful of the impact on students and others. He has attended a few faculty meetings to listen to thoughts about how we might support students and others experiencing distress; he encouraged ExCom members to provide similar input.

The Provost stated that he would like to see the Senate send a Time Module recommendation to the President before the end of December. This is so that chairs will not be under inordinate time pressure to submit their initial schedules and to also allow time for workarounds as inevitable issues arise.

Inch stated that the President supports the University Hour and the idea of a 3-year trial period for the selected module. Inch expressed his appreciation for Chair Karplus' Senate meeting leadership, especially in allowing time for the extended discussion about the University Hour.

The Provost reported that all A2E2 requests are now in. With regard to next year, he does not expect a budget increase, but rather a flat budget that will be tight, but in balance.

The Workload Committee is exploring ways to balance workload and scholarly interests. They are in the process of identifying best practices. If done well, a semester load might include 3 courses and 1 course release for scholarship.

The ASCSU is advocating for the formation of a GE task force; the Chancellor's Office wants GE to be easily understood and readily transferable across the system. EO 1100 will be reviewed and we may see changes.

See discussion of GE units under Item 6B below.

D. Report of the Statewide Academic Senators

Fleming reported that the next ASCSU meeting will be December 2, for virtual interim committee meetings.

M/S/P (Fleming/Wu) to form an ad hoc working group to respond to the recommendations in the Quantitative Reasoning Task Force Report, with four members to start: Provost Inch, Dean Scharberg (UG Studies), Chair Julie Glass (GE Subcommittee), and ASCSU/ExCom Senator Fleming.

E. Report of Semester Conversion

Hedrick reported that the Individualized Advising Plan (IAP) went live last Wednesday and will greatly assist our students in developing their plans.

4. Appointments

The following vacancies still remain unfilled:

Senate: CEAS member for Fall or until filled by College election

COBRA: CEAS and CSCI members for Fall or until filled by College election

The Executive Committee made the following appointments:

M/S/P (Garbesi/Wu) to appoint Kathryn Hayes (EDL) to the Student Evaluation of Learning
M/S/P (Garbesi/Geron) to appoint Michael Moon (PUAD) to the FAC Awards Subcommittee
M/S/P (Garbesi/Fleming) to appoint Jenny O (CR Chair) and Nina Haft (Dance) to the Appeals Subcommittee for Assigned Time for Exceptional Levels of Service to Students

5. New Business:

The following items of new business were not addressed prior to adjournment.

- A. 16-17 CIC 11: Policy on Class Standing under semesters
- B. 16-17 CAPR 2: 2014-2015 Five-Year Program Review for Communication
- C. 16-17 CAPR 3: Criminal Justice Administration name change request
- D. 16-17 CIC 31: Registration Order
- E. 16-17 CIC 32: Course modification request: STAT 1000 and STAT 6250
- F. 16-17 CIC 33: Prerequisite Enforcement Pilot
- H. 16-17 FAC 3: Quarter to Semester updates for Interpretation of Rights of Faculty with FERP and PRTB Assignments to Participate in Elections and to Serve on Committees document

However, item G was addressed, owing to a time certain:

G. Draft Tuition Resolution

M/S/P (Garbesi/Wu) to place on the Senate Agenda

6. Discussion items

Discussion Item A, Possible referral to CIC on EO 1071, was not addressed prior to adjournment.

B. GE requirements under semesters

The Provost shared concerns about 4 unit GE course proposals. These have to do with policies that are in place and the effect on students. In terms of policies, he believes the current policy, as written without “a minimum of,” precludes other than 3-unit GE courses. In terms of cost, he believes that students taking a 4-unit course will incur extra tuition costs and have an extra unit that may not forward their progress. He stated that he had a positive conversation with Karplus, Garbesi, and Watnik.

Some members and guests spoke to the history of allowing GE courses with different units. While the Provost has requested that the policy be clarified through the Senate, members in attendance spoke to the intent of the policy being to allow 3 or 4 unit GE classes and argued there is no need to revise the policy.

C. Possible sanctuary campus referral

Derek Aitken, President Morishita's Chief of Staff, discussed the potential implications of using the term "sanctuary." There may be reprisal, particularly in the form of loss of federal funds for our students and for faculty research. The statements issued by the CSU implement most of the protections without using the explicit term.

D. Questions regarding 16-17 CAPR 4

Jason Smith, CAPR Chair, met with ExCom to respond to questions about 16-17 CAPR 4. Fleming raised a concern that credential programs were not included in the review cycle as previously. There was discussion about the how credentials and certificates differ and the legal implications of credential programs meriting an internal institutional review at a minimum occurring on the same cycle as the accreditation visits.

E. Process for discussion of 16-17 BEC 6

M/S/P (Erik/Garbesi) to recommend that the time modules be determined through ranked voting and to apprise the Senate of the process beforehand.

There was extensive discussion about how best to proceed at Senate in selecting a recommended time module.

7) Academic Senate 11/29/16 draft agenda

M/S/P (Wu/Garbesi) to approve the agenda with the addition of the tuition resolution

8) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Fleming, Secretary