CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY
OFFICE OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

APPROVED Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting, April 11, 2017

Members Present: Denise Fleming, Karina Garbesi, Kim Geron, Susan Gubernat, Nina Haft, Michael Hedrick, Erik Helgren, Edward Inch, Mark Karplus, Leroy Morishita, Jeffrey Newcomb, Meiling Wu

Guests: Lindsay McCrea, Mark Robinson, Sophie Rollins, Maureen Scharberg, Donna Wiley, Julie Wong

Members Absent: none

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m.

1. Approval of the agenda

M/S/P (Wu/Geron) to approve the agenda, as amended to add item 4C (appointment of a CLASS representative to FAC).

2. Approval of the 2/28/17 and 3/28/17 minutes

M/S/P (Garbesi/Geron) to approve the minutes of 2/28/17
Note: There was one abstention

M/S/P (Garbesi/Helgren) to approve the minutes of 3/28/17
Note: There were four abstentions

3. Reports

A. Report of the Chair:

Chair Karplus reported that there are three ExCom meetings and four Senate meetings left this year. If it appears there are not enough items to fill a Senate agenda, we may decide to cancel a Senate meeting and hold an extra ExCom meeting.

Next week, Chair Karplus will be in Long Beach for a meeting of campus senate chairs.

Karplus reported that he and Vice Chair Garbesi have been invited to participate in the planning process for the new Core building.

B. Report of the President:
President Morishita reported that $90M of funding is in place for the proposed Core building. We are in the process of raising $10M in matching funds. The President stated that a consulting firm will assist with gathering feedback from the campus community on what types of features (e.g., collaboration spaces) and services the building should have. Will have a group to gather feedback. Ground breaking is anticipated to take place in July 2020.

President Morishita recently traveled to Washington DC, where he met with legislators and policy analysts. The new administration has staffed approximately one-third of the open positions.

The Chancellor’s Office has now issued the Executive Order on smoke- and tobacco-free campuses. The policy goes into effect on September 1. Morishita reported that our campus’ implementation committee has been convened.

The President reported that the Chancellor’s Office approved CSUEB’s application for impaction, effective Fall 2018.

C. Report of the Provost

Provost Inch reported that CSUEB’s Educational Leadership doctoral program is a finalist for a Carnegie-sponsored award.

Note: See Item 6A (below) for discussion of scheduling under semesters

The Provost reported that 20 faculty searches have successfully concluded; six searches are still in progress, with three being rolled over to next year, and one offer declined. Whether or not we reach our target of 350 tenure-line faculty will depend on the number of retirements this year. In terms of next year’s hiring, deans have submitted a list of 22 essential search positions, of which 19 have been approved, with three more depending on additional information to be submitted. Inch has asked deans to submit a second round of requests aimed at positions to achieve program growth.

The CBE dean search is underway, with applications beginning to come in. In addition, APGS and UG will merge, with Dean Scharberg placed in charge. An associate dean will assume the APGS duties.

As we move toward implementing impaction, messaging to constituents and enrollment management are increasingly important.

The first Academic Affairs Budget Advisory Committee (AABAC) meeting was held today. Topics of discussion included work load, refining the A2E2 process, and distributing indirect cost recovery funds.

D. Report of the Statewide Academic Senators
Senator Gubernat reported that ASCSU learned of the Chancellor’s Office new intellectual property (IP) policy on March 14. The new IP policy is problematic in several regards. There were no faculty on the task force, the policy infringes on faculty intellectual rights, the response period is limited, the CO does not want campuses to have individual IP policies, and there are implications for Article 39 of the CBA. SJSU drafted a white paper and passed a resolution in response to the new policy. Senator Gubernat will distribute copies of both to ExCom.

Karplus encouraged all to review the IP policy memo and SJSU response; we will discuss the issue again at a future ExCom meeting.

E. Report of the Semester Conversion Director

Senator Hedrick reported that the Semester Conversion Steering Committee will meet from 12-2 in the Biella room this Friday, April 14. The agenda will include subcommittee charges for next year. Also, representatives from CSULA and Bakersfield may visit CSUEB in May or June to discuss their first-year conversion experiences.

4. Appointments and Elections

A. CBE Replacement on Academic Senate for Spring 2017

Lan Wang appointed by ballot

B. Spring 2017 University-wide Election Schedule

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

C. Appointment of a CLASS representative to FAC

M/S/P (Garbesi/Geron) to postpone

Note: substitute motion as Iliana Holbrook is FERPing this term
M/S (Garbesi/Gubernat) to appoint Iliana Holbrook

5. Information Items

Note: No information items were discussed prior to adjournment

6. Discussion Items

A. Scheduling under semesters follow-up

This item was discussed owing to a time certain. The Provost reported that he has met with most CSUEB constituents to discuss the scheduling and room needs as we plan for semester conversion. Inch explained which time periods will have the most demand for classrooms and how scheduling would be impacted by faculty workload (e.g., not teaching long back-to-back
classes; a 3-course, 1 release schedule; etc.). ExCom members discussed Inch’s plan to have department chairs submit a draft schedule by the end of the quarter for Lucero Wallace to run. Inch thanked Chair Karplus for his input and collaboration.

7. New Business

Note: No new business items were discussed prior to adjournment

8. Academic Senate 4/18/17 draft agenda

M/S/P (Gubernat/Garbesi) to postpone the next Senate meeting next week and replace with an ExCom meeting.

9. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Fleming, Secretary