CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY

OFFICE OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

APPROVED Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting, November 7, 2017

Members Present: Paul Carpenter, Denise Fleming, Karina Garbesi, Susan Gubernat, Margaret Harris, Edward Inch, Mark Karplus, Dawna Komorosky, Meiling Wu

Guests: Diana Balgas, Debbie Chaw, Linda Dobb, Kyzyl Fenno-Smith, Kim Geron, Mariaelena Marcano, Glen Perry, Eun Rhee, Mark Robinson, Sophie Rollins, Mitch Watnik, Dianne Rush Woods

Members Absent: Murray Horne, Leroy Morishita

The meeting was called to order at 2:01 p.m.

1. Approval of the agenda

M/S/P (Carpenter/Komorosky) to approve, as amended to add as Item 5E: 17-18 FUFM: Endorsement of Resolution and Item 4C: Appointment of an At-Large ITAC Member

2. Approval of 10/31/17 draft meeting minutes

M/S/P (Garbesi/Harris) to approve to reflect Gubernat at ASCSU and Fleming at GEAC

The Chair expressed appreciation to Vice Chair Garbesi for taking the minutes

3. Reports

A. Report of the Chair

Chair Karplus reported on his consultation with FAC regarding the Wang Family Excellence Awards, which ExCom also discussed at our last meeting. The award criteria and categories have changed substantively and the timeline for submitting candidates is relatively short. The suggestion is that, for this year, the pool of candidates be limited to those who have been through some faculty review process. While acknowledging the tight timeline, some ExCom members expressed a concern that this could preclude one or more potentially strong candidates from consideration.

Karplus announced that McAleer Awards applications are due 12/15/17. These awards are aimed at faculty, students, and administrator excellence in Continuing and Extended Education.

The Chair stated that ExCom will be providing comments on two forthcoming presidential draft documents regarding “super seniors.” These will be discussed at the next ExCom meeting.
There will also be a discussion on governance at the next ExCom meeting. Vice Chair Garbesi asked for clarification and research into faculty grant award processes that appear to conflate service and academic workload units. She will draft an email explaining her concerns in more detail.

B. Report of the President

The President was not present

C. Report of the Provost

The Provost reported the following:

- Our online campus is doing remarkable work in enhancing student retention
- Next year’s budget will be lean; Academic Affairs is building the AY 18-19 budget accordingly
- Per the CBA, faculty intending to FERP beginning AY 18-19 must file no later than six months prior to 8/15/18
- The Valley Foundation is creating an applied science center.

D. Report of the Statewide Academic Senators

Senator Gubernat thanked Dawna Komorosky for attending the November Plenary in Senator Fleming’s absence.

Gubernat reported that the most important Plenary discussions focused on the two Executive Orders (1100 Revised and 1110). To date, 19 campus have passed resolutions objecting to the EOs. At Plenary, ASCSU went into a Committee of the Whole to discuss the lack of a CO response before approving an action to authorize ASCSU leadership to meet with the Chancellor and his staff to discuss and come to an agreement over shared governance.

For detailed information on Plenary discussion and action items, Senator Gubernat referred all to the written ASCSU report, available here.

E. Report of Semester Conversion

No report

4. Appointments

A. FAC subcommittees

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

B. CIC subcommittees
M/S/P (Garbesi/Wu) to approve

C: Appointment of an At-Large ITAC Member

Jyotishka Ray (MGMT) was elected by ballot

5. Information Items

A. 17-18 CIC 8: Department of Theatre and Dance’s Minor in Inclusive and Social Justice Performance
M/S/P (Gubernat/Carpenter) to place on the Senate agenda

B. 17-18 CIC 12: Hybrid Modification for the MS in Educational Technology
M/S/P (Gubernat/Carpenter) to place on the Senate agenda

C. 17-18 CIC 14: Change the title of all courses numbered 398, 498, and 698
M/S/P (Garbesi/Gubernat) to place on the Senate agenda

D. 17-18 BC 3: Report of the CAPR Chair for 2016-17
M/S/P (Garbesi/Komorosky) to place on the Senate agenda

E: 17-18 FUFM: Endorsement of Resolution
M/S/P (Garbesi/Komorosky) to place on the Senate agenda

6. Business

A. 17-18 CIC 13: Grade Forgiveness for Quarter Courses with No Semester Equivalents
M/S/P (Garbesi/Fleming) to place on the Senate agenda

B. 17-18 CIC 15: Allowing Students to request rescheduling of finals
M/S/P (Harris/Komorosky) to place on the Senate agenda

C. 17-18 FAC 2: Formation of Special Subcommittee to address disruptive behavior
M/S/ (Garbesi/Harris)

Note: No vote was taken, due to concerns expressed by members of the Executive Committee and because of a time certain. These concerns included 1) the broad charge of the proposed subcommittee, i.e., to develop a policy that would apply to the full campus community: students, faculty, staff, etc., 2) potential conflicts with the CBA, and 3) defining what constitutes
“disruptive behavior.” On the last point, for example, there are no sociocultural considerations in the proposed action item. Also, there are potential bias and power differential implications, that can lead to assessing marginalized populations’ “differences” as “disruptive.

7. Presentations

A. University Hour

Diana Balgas presented an update on the Semester Conversion Co-Curricular and Student Support (CCSS) Subcommittee’s work on the University Hour. The University Hour will be Tuesday’s and Thursday’s from 12:15-1:15.

Balgas shared the work of each of the three U-Hour workgroups (Programming, Coordination and Assessment), U-Hour outcomes, and tentative recommendations. One recommendation would be to have “open” Tuesdays and “themed” Thursdays.

B. Campus Climate Survey

Eun Rhee (Research Associate, IRADS), Dianne Rush Woods (University Diversity Officer), and Kim Geron (Former Chair FDEC), presented the results of the Fall 2016 Campus Climate Survey results for faculty and staff.

M/S/P (Garbesi/Komorosky) to place on the Senate agenda

C. CORE Building

VP Debbie Chaw presentation

M/S/P (Karplus/Wu) to refer to COBRA as follows:

“In accordance with 13-14 COBRA 4 amended, the Executive Committee refers consideration of the CORE Building project to COBRA, on condition that any COBRA recommendations related to the referral first come to the Executive Committee, and with the request that COBRA provide an initial report to the Executive Committee no later than January 2018.”

M/S/P (Garbesi/Wu) to simultaneously refer to the Ad Hoc Committee on Sustainability, with the same request.

M/S/P (Wu/Komorosky) to extend 5 minutes

8. Academic Senate 11/14/17 draft agenda

M/S/P (Garbesi/Komorosky) to approve, as amended

M/S/P (Gubernat/Garbesi) to add an information item 17-18 BEC 3: Review Schedule

9. Adjournment
M/S/P (Garbesi/Harris) to adjourn 4:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Fleming, Secretary