

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY

OFFICE OF THE
ACADEMIC SENATE

Minutes of the Academic Senate Meeting, Tuesday, January 17, 2012

Members present: Emily Cleveland, Randi Cowdery, Denise Fleming, Sharon Green, Linda Ivey, Aaron Jason, Mark Karplus, Derek Kimball, Chris Kitting, Keith Kravitz, Michael Mahoney, Monique Manopoulos, ZaNean McClain, Brian McKenzie, Leroy Morishita, Sally Murphy, James Murray, Julia Olkin, Maria Ortuoste, Chung-Hsing Ouyang, Gretchen Reeve-Manning, Jeffery Seitz, Tammie Simmons-Mosley, Jason Singley, Aline Soules, Carl Stempel, David Stronck, Johannes Wallmann, Mitch Watnik, Dianne Rush Woods, Helen Zong

ASI Members present: Chinna Ford, Cesar Lafarga, Mark Lalan, Elizabeth Ortiz, Jay Patel, Christopher Prado, Derek Volk

Members absent: Dee Andrews, Nicholas Baham, Eileen Barrett, Elizabeth Bergman, Maliika Chambers, Vibha Chandra, Christina Chin-Newman, Denise Crozier, David Fencsik, Janet Green, Sweetie Law, Michael Lee, Christopher Moreman, Diana Wakimoto, Annette Walker, Meiling Wu

Guests: Jiansheng Guo, Rosanne Harris, Jim Houppis, Patricia Jennings, Terry Jones, Susan Opp, Glen Perry, Don Sawyer, Daminna Standfield, Gale Young

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm

1. Approval of the agenda

M/S/P (Woods/Green) to approve the agenda

2. Approval of the minutes of November 29, 2011

M/S/P (Ortiz/Reeve) to approve the minutes of November 29, 2011

3. Reports

A. Report of the Chair

Chair Mahoney reminded all to sign in to ensure an accurate record of attendance.

The Chair introduced and welcomed Sophie Rollins as the Senate Office new hire to replace Jackie Alnor, who has retired.

Mahoney announced that Susan Gubernat, CSUEB's senior Statewide Academic Senator for the past several years, has resigned from ASCSU; her dedication and service will be missed.

The three finalists for the VP/CFO position will be on campus January 17-19, with open forums to take place in the Biella Room starting at 4:15pm.

The non-landscaped space adjacent to VBT will be upgraded by summer; funds were allocated from the Foundation by President Qayoumi, before his departure.

Senator Green reported on the status of the CAPR ILO (Institutional Learning Outcomes) subcommittee. During January, members of the subcommittee, along with students, staff, and faculty members who served on the assessment task force, will be meeting with a broad representation of campus constituencies. Green invited all to participate in the meetings and to complete a forthcoming survey.

B. Report of the President

President Morishita wished all a new year and acknowledged student celebrations for MLK.

Governor Brown released the January budget a bit early. The \$3.7M mid-year cut to the CSUEB budget will be a permanent cut. If the initiative to reinstate sales tax increase fails on the November ballot, this will trigger an additional \$200M cut for the CSU, which will result in an additional \$7.5M cut for CSUEB. The Governor is proposing that, for the next four years, CSU would get a 4% general funding increase, with a 4% student fee increase. When President Morishita joined the CSU, the cost of students' education was paid 80% by the state support and 20% by the students. Now, state support only covers 37%, while students are paying 63%.

The President greatly enjoyed the listening sessions last quarter and found them informative.

C. Report of the Provost

Provost Houpis added his appreciation for Gubernat's service on the ASCSU and for CSUEB.

We are still awaiting nominees to come forward to serve on the Professional Leave Committee which has not yet met; we need to hold the election and convene the committee as soon as possible, as this affects those who submitted sabbatical proposals for 2012-13.

CBE faculty searches are completed; all searches must be completed by end of January or they will be carried over until 12-13. Also, the committee for the AVP Research has identified phone interview candidates; finalists should be on campus by the end of February.

The A2E2 committee (composed of five faculty and five students) has been elected and is ready to convene.

Each of the college IRE (instructional replacement) committees has met and submitted their requests. On the topic of state funding to support the university decreasing, the Provost stated that we need to have some serious discussions on priorities in the academy.

CSUEB and partners received a \$25M Promise Neighborhood grant; we are one of only five institutions that were funded and the only one west of Rockies.

The amount of grant and research activity has doubled before the five-year target. ORSP is swamped and will be hiring another grant analyst.

D. Report of the Statewide Academic Senator

Woods reported for the ASCSU. She will be attending committee meetings tomorrow and then ASCSU meetings on Thursday and Friday. Chancellor Reed will speak to the ASCSU.

Resolutions still under consideration include early faculty involvement in CSU initiatives and the lack of shared governance, the faculty primacy over the curriculum. She will report to the ASCSU that Gubernat has resigned. The ASCSU Chair Jim Postma plans to ask Chancellor Reed some direct questions; there are other senators who plan to resign over these issues and the disproportionately slashed ASCSU budget. The budget pays for airline tickets, but not enough assigned time for senators.

E. Report of Student Government

Mark Laluan announced that tomorrow is the first ASI board meeting of the quarter.

4. Consent Calendar (no items)

5. 11-12 CFDE 2, FDEC Proposal to become a Standing Committee (*second reading*)

M/S (Woods/Fleming)

M/S (Seitz/Woods) to substitute the (new) revised version of the proposal linked to the agenda

M/S/NP (Watnik/Olkin) Delete items 1, 2, 3, 6 from the membership list in the new FDEC proposal and change to proportional representation of 8 faculty from colleges, 1 student to voting

Friendly amendment to keep item 6 rejected by proposer.

M/S/NP Simmons-Mosley/Singley to delete items 1, 2, 3 and change membership proportional 8 from colleges, 1 student to voting

Extended discussion included rationale for and bylaw implications of proposed membership of the committee, proportionate membership from the colleges, role of DELO.

M/S/P (Woods/Fleming) to postpone discussion until the next Senate meeting on 2/7.

6. 11-12 BEC 6, Senate Document Distribution Policy (*first reading*)

M/S/P Green/Fleming to move to floor. No amendments were discussed.

7. Report of the CFA (*Time Certain, no later than 3:50*)

An impasse has been declared; 1/19/12 is the first day of mediation.

The following events were announced: 1/20 CFA kick off meeting to plan for Winter Spring and Fall 2012; 3/1/12 is National Day of Action; and 3/5/12 Community College (and all public education) Lobby Day.

8. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00pm

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Fleming, Secretary