

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY

OFFICE OF THE  
ACADEMIC SENATE

Approved Minutes of the Academic Senate Meeting, Tuesday, October 9, 2012

Senators Present:

Jeanette Bicais, Elizabeth Bergman, Chris Chamberlin, Denise Crozier, Roger Doering, Patricia Drew, Jennifer Eagan, David Fencsik, Denise Flemings, Janet Green, Erik Helgren, James Houpis, Patricia Jennings, Shubha Kashinath, Chris Kitting, Keith Kravitz, Michael Lee, Gary Li, Monique Manopoulos, Dania Massey, Brian McKenzie, Christopher Moreman, Leroy Morishita, James Murray, Julia Olkin, Maria Ortuoste, Chung-Hsing Ouyang, Gretchen Reeve, Michael Schutz, Tammie Simmons-Mosley, Jason Singley, Carl Stempel, David Stronck, Oanh Tran, Diana Wakimoto, Mitchell Watnik, Evaon Wong-Kim, Chongqi Wu, Lan Wu, Helen Zong

Guests Present:

Zamil Alzamil, Sarah Aubert, Jerry Chang, Linda Dalton, Linda Dobb, Tamra Donnelly, Kim Geron, Mark Karplus, Sophie Rollins, Kaameelah Wesley

Student Representatives:

Erin Baca, Omar Hosny, Sarah Kelso, Erik Olivar, Elizabeth Ortiz, Michelle Xiong

The meeting was called to order at 2:04 p.m.

1. Approval of the agenda

M/S/P (Schutz/Ortiz) to approve the agenda

2. Approval of the minutes from the organizational meeting of 6/5/2012

M/S/P (Reeve/Murray) to approve

3. Reports

A. Report of the Chair

Watnik reported that Sophie Rollins is our new Interim Senate Office Coordinator; he introduced and welcomed Kaameelah Wesley as our new Senate office assistant.

Watnik stated that chairs of relevant committees will be the senators recognized to make motions.

There are several committees that still need members; the Chair encouraged all to consider

serving and/or to seek out nominees.

## B. Report of the President

President Morishita welcomed all to the first meeting of the year and stressed the importance of the Senate. He will attend Senate meetings when there are no conflicts in his schedule.

The President spoke briefly about the new Chancellor, Tim White, with whom Morishita served on the WASC commission. White earned his masters at CSUEB (then CSU Hayward) and is a “product of the Master Plan.” He also brings great perspective as an immigrant and a first generation college attendee.

The President stated that at the last Board of Trustees (BOT) meeting, the biggest issue was the budget and contingency planning in the event Prop 30 were to fail. If prop 30 passes, this will trigger roll back in tuition, which will be a complicated process. Even if Prop 30 passes, there will still be a \$7M gap.

Several options to deal with the budget in the event of a loss on Prop 30 were explained. Morishita and President Ruben Armñana (Sonoma State) are examining synergistic ways of purchasing to increase buying power.

In response to questions about the transition from quarter to semester, President Morishita stated that the BOT and CO want all campuses to be on a semester schedule. This is a long and costly process. This year (12-13), we are “planning to plan,” which means determining what organizing, governance, committees, technology, support, and faculty release needs will be.

In response to questions about Planning for Distinction, the President stated that we have a balanced budget, but cuts have had a negative impact across the University. Although everything we do is good, we cannot afford to continue to do everything and choices must be made. This process will be about determining the areas of highest priority and distinction, and then reinvest the dollars that we have. What we will push forward, what will stay the same, and what will go away are questions that will be answered as we seek how best to use what dollars we have. More information will be forthcoming as the year proceeds; the process will take some time, as will implementation. Everything will come before the Senate.

## C. Report of the Provost

The Provost stated that the October 12 Investiture will be a day to celebrate President Morishita, honor faculty, and showcase our campus. He encouraged all to participate.

Provost Houpis commended the campus community for their day of Service on Saturday October 6. Stan Hebert did an outstanding job organizing a crew to work on Harder Elementary. Houpis also thanked facilities personnel, who volunteered at Harder and have also made our campus more beautiful. In all, 241 from CSUEB volunteered at Harder Elementary, a low-income, primarily Hispanic community. The volunteers painted all the classrooms and landscaped the grounds.

Houpis reported that 20 tenure-track faculty were hired and met with Linda Dobb for an orientation workshop. A2E2 enters its second year and brings student interns, expanded library hours, advising, tutoring, peer mentoring, a student research center, enhanced instructional research program, and a reinvestment in equipment. The Provost also encouraged everyone to look over the new Planning for Distinction web page.

#### D. Report of the Statewide Academic Senators

Fleming reported that she and Watnik attended the ASCSU Plenary September 13-14. Chancellor Reed spoke to the assembly for about 45 minutes, mostly on the budget.

Four Resolutions passed on 1) Budget reduction strategies: a contingency plan for the \$250M triggered budget cut to the CSU, 2) Opposition to Prop 32, 3) Support of Prop 30. A resolution in response to the BOT inclusion of an agenda item to eliminate upper division GE did not pass. This was likely due to the immediate response of the ASCSU Chair and Executive Committee to the BOT, with the latter stating they would replace the agenda item. Upper Division GE has now morphed into 180/120 degree/major unit caps.

There will be a virtual meeting this month, with the next Plenary taking place in November.

#### E. Report of Student Government

ASI President Chang thanked faculty for their teaching and work on behalf of the students. ASI has been developing direction and initiatives for the year. Among these is an effort to help students develop effective leadership skills. Members and leaders come together to focus training programs. ASI has allocated money from its board initiatives and events budget to put into a two-day training. Work is also being done on shaping 30-45 ideas into about 20-25 projects.

#### 4. Consent Calendar

No consent calendar items

#### 5. Information Items:

##### A. 12-13 Five-year Program Review Schedule

M/S/P (Chamberlain/Singley) to accept

The Chair thanked Sophie Rollins for her work on the document

##### B. Constitution and Bylaws Task Force report

M/S/P (Fleming/Singley) to accept the report

C. Amended FAC Outstanding Professor Guidelines and Calendar

M/S/P (Stempel/Bicais) to accept

6. Introductions

Introduction of new faculty will happen at upcoming Senate meetings.

7. Nominations for the ASCSU Senator opening (*replacement for Dianne Rush Woods*)

M/S/P (Schutz/Murray) to place this on the Fall University Ballot

8. **12-13 BEC 1:** Standing Rules of the Academic Senate

M/S/P (Eagan/Fleming) to approve

9. **12-13 BEC 2:** Nominations for the University Committee on Layoffs (UCL), 2012-2013

M/S/P (Wong-Kim/Schutz) to seat Eagan, Doering, Watnik, Jennings, McKenzie, Stempel, and Stronck, and another member (TBD) from the Library

10. **12-13 BEC 3:** Meeting Schedule for the 2012-2013 Academic Senate

M/S/P (Jennings/Eagan) to accept the schedule as amended

M/S/P (Schutz/Doering) to change the November Senate meeting date to 11/13

11. **12-13 BC 1:** Interpretation of Academic Days

M/S/P (Fleming/Murray) to waive the first reading

M/S/P (Eagan/Reevy) to approve

12. **11-12 CAPR 17:** Biology Five-year Review

M/S/ (Chamberlain/Murray) to accept the report

13. Report of the CFA (*time certain, no later than 3:50pm*)

Eagan stated that all efforts must be made to pass Prop 30 and defeat Prop 32. She encouraged all to volunteer on 10/23 or 10/24 for an hour on the phone bank at the Central Labor Council, USCW local 5 Hall in Hayward. Students are welcome to join. There are other times to volunteer as well, all at convenient locations. Food will be provided. Eagan asked that volunteers respond to her email request.

Finally, Eagan stated that contract details are still being worked out. Questions may be directed to Gubernat, Karplus, Giron, or Eagan.

#### 14. Adjournment

M/S/P (Fleming/Eagan) to adjourn

Respectfully submitted,  
Denise Fleming, Secretary