CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY  
OFFICE OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE  

Approved Minutes of the Academic Senate Meeting, February 4, 2014

Senators Present:
Eileen Barrett, Elizabeth Bergman, Jeffra Bussmann, Luz Calvo, Mary Cardaras, Denise Crozier, Roger Doering, Patricia Drew, Jennifer Eagan, Denise Fleming, Maria Gallegos, Kim Geron, Renee Granados, Susan Gubernat, Nina Haft, Kathleen Halpin, Margaret Harris, Erik Helgren, Thomas Hird, James Houpis, Yi Jiang, Evelia Jimenez, Mark Karplus, Derek Kimball, Michelle Korb, Gary Li, Nancy Mangold, James Mitchell, Saeid Motavalli, Leroy Morishita, James Murray, Julia Olkin, Andrew Pasquinelli, Claudia Sandoval, Jeff Seitz, Tammie Simmons-Mosley, Carl Stempel, Oanh Tran, Mitch Watnik, Chongqi Wu

Guests Present:
Derek Aitken, Endre Branstad, Linda Dalton, Linda Dobb, Tamra Donnelly, Jiansheng Guo, Charlton Hua, Glen Perry, Gretchen Reevy, Sophie Rollins, Angela Schnieder, Brad Wells, Dianne Rush-Woods

The meeting was called to order at 2:06 p.m.

1. Approval of the agenda


2. Approval of the minutes of January 14, 2014

M/S/P (Barrett/Murray) to approve as amended, correcting “as established in 12-13 FAC 9” in the next-to-last paragraph of Item 3.A to read “as established in 12-13 FAC 9 amended.”

3. Reports:

A. Report of the Chair

Chair Watnik referred Senators to his written report emailed previously. Senator Olkin introduced new Mathematics Assistant Professor Ehsan Kamalinejad.

B. Report of the President

President Morishita reported on the previous week’s CSU Board of Trustees meeting at which Chancellor White gave his State of the CSU address. Morishita will call on the campus to make a 20% reduction in water usage. As announced in an email sent earlier in the day, California Campus Compact, a leader in civic engagement and service learning, is moving to CSUEB.

C. Report of the Provost
Provost Houpis announced that DCIE will be renamed University Extension. The University Librarian will be Dean of Libraries.

i. Report of PFD

PEM VP Dalton reported that the Instructional Program Task Group should be submitting reports to the Steering Committee by the end of March. The Steering Committee will review the reports for consistency, look for outliers, refer reports back if necessary, and then forward recommendations to the President and cabinet in early Spring. Anything needing to come to the Senate will likely not come to the Senate until next year. In response to questions from Senators about Planning for Distinction, Dalton stated that the Instructional meetings will remain closed, work will not proceed in the Summer, and that while reports will be made public, actual scoring will not.

D. Report of the Statewide Academic Senators

Statewide Academic Senators Gubernat and Fleming reported on the January ASCSU plenary. Resolutions that passed included a commendation of Faculty Trustee Bernadette Cheyne, a recommendation to amend Title 5 relating to unit limits for Engineering, a resolution on the reinstatement of RSCA funds, and recommendations related to nursing preparation. A resolution on the eligibility of lecturers for emeritus status was tabled to allow time to collect information on lecturer emeritus policies from campuses. Resolutions introduced at first readings included Selection of Faculty Representatives in Shared Governance, Meeting Common Core Standards as CSU Admission Requirement, Concerns Regarding a Community College Baccalaureate Degree Pilot, and In Support of Ethnic Studies. At the plenary, CSUEB Professor Hank Reichman reported on AAUP activities.

E. Report of Student Government

Committee on Research Student Representative Charlton Hua reported that ASI passed a resolution concerning the hate crimes at San Jose State. ASI is studying the campus smoking policy. Elections will be in the third week of Spring Quarter. Upcoming events include a February 11 job panel, a February 11 appearance by Angela Davis, and Earth Week April 21-25.

4. Consent Calendar:

A. 13-14 CAPR 2, 13-14 CIC 7: Discontinuance of Theatre and Dance for Children and Community option (second appearance) Accepted

There being no objections for two consecutive Senate meetings, the item automatically passed.

B. 13-14 CAPR 3, 13-14 CIC 8: Discontinuance of Children’s Theatre and Dance minor (second appearance) Accepted

There being no objections for two consecutive Senate meetings, the item automatically passed.
C. 13-14 CAPR 4, 13-14 CIC 9: Discontinuance of Theatre: History and Literature option (second appearance) Accepted

There being no objections for two consecutive Senate meetings, the item automatically passed.

5. Information to Senate:

A. 13-14 CR 2: Proposal for the Financial Literacy Center

M/S/P (Barrett/Seitz) to accept.

B. 13-14 FDEC 3: Establishment of the Campus Climate Subcommittee of FDEC

M/S/P (Kimball/Stempel) to accept.

6. Action Items:

A. 13-14 CIC 3 revised: Military Credit Policy update version (second reading)

M/S/P (Murray/Ginno) to approve. There were several abstentions.

B. 13-14 CIC 5: Approval of Modifications to GE Courses, including conversion to Online/Hybrid, by the GE Subcommittee (second reading)

M/S/P (Murray/Eagan) to approve.

C. 13-14 BEC 12: Changes to Article IX of the Constitution of the University Faculty of CSU East Bay (first reading)

M/S/P (Kimball/Murray) to approve as amended below. M/S/P (Kimball/Murray) to waive the first reading. In support of waiving the first reading, it was stated that doing so would permit the changes to appear on the Winter ballot. Against waiving the first reading, it was stated that Senators would not have adequate time to suggest changes. The vote to waive the first reading was 23 in favor, 7 opposed. There was discussion about proposed Section 7 and the proposed changes to Section 3. It was noted that the document included two Action Requested sections. M/S/P (Gubernat/Kimball) to delete the first Action Requested section. M/S (Hird/Gubernat) to change “make” in the first sentence of Section 7 to “propose.” The motion was later withdrawn. M/S/NP (Fleming/Mitchell) to table discussion on the main motion. M/S/NP (Fleming/Eagan) to refer to the Executive Committee as a substitute motion. The motion to refer failed; the vote was 10 in favor, 19 opposed, with a few abstentions. The question was called on the amendment. The vote on the amendment was 16 in favor, 14 opposed, with three abstentions. The question was called on the main motion. There being an
objection, a vote was taken; the vote was 12 in favor and 15 opposed to ending debate. There was brief discussion about Section 5. The main motion passed.

D. 13-14 FAC 5: Recommendation on the Continuation of Online Student Evaluations (first reading)

M/S (Hird/Geron) to approve. Concerns were expressed about low response rates, the need for more data, the need for guidelines regarding use in performance reviews and periodic evaluation, and the lack of discussion of weighted analysis. It was noted that the Collective Bargaining Agreement permits the President to waive the requirement that all classes be evaluated. Language to be added to the document regarding faculty’s right to request paper evaluations for two classes was emailed to the Senate list previously. A department chair noted that having all sections of all classes evaluated is helpful in evaluating the courses themselves. Suggestions for increasing response rates included making it mandatory for students to complete evaluations or providing an incentive to do so. M/S (Doering/Gubernat) to refer to FAC. There was brief discussion.

Item 6.D was interrupted by time certain Item 7; meeting then adjourned.

E. 13-14 BC 4: Amendment to the CSUEB Bylaws regarding CR procedures and the Centers and Institutes Policies and Procedures Document (first reading)

F. 13-14 FDEC 2 Amended: Diversity Rubric for CAPR Five-year Reviews (first reading)

G. 13-14 BEC 8 revised: Uniformity of Elections Policy (first reading)

H. 13-14 CIC 10 amended: Revised Policy on Withdrawals (first reading)

I. 13-14 FAC 1: Interpretation of Rules on Quorum (first reading)

J. 13-14 CIC 6 amended: Modifying Online Schedule Links to Separate Extension and Stateside Courses (first reading)

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

CFA East Bay Chapter Jennifer Eagan reported that salary and workload are beginning to be discussed at the bargaining table. What happens at the table is influenced by what happens at the campuses. “Moving Forward” signs are available. Following the Senate meeting on February 25, CFA will host an information meeting on the budget and bargaining, with wine, in the Bayview Room of the New University Union.

Item 8 followed Item 7.

8. Adjournment

M/S/P (Helgren/Gubernat) to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Mark Karplus, Secretary