

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY
OFFICE OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

Approved Minutes of the Academic Senate Meeting, April 8, 2014

Senators Present:

Eileen Barrett, Elizabeth Bergman, Jeffra Bussmann, Luz Calvo, Mary Cardaras, Chris Chamberlain, Denise Crozier, Roger Doering, Patricia Drew, Jennifer Eagan, Dana Edwards, Denise Fleming, Farnaz Ganjeizadeh, Kim Geron, Susan Gubernat, Nina Haft, Kathleen Halpin, Margaret Harris, Erik Helgren, James Houpis, Patricia Jennings, Evelia Jimenez, Mark Karplus, Derek Kimball, Diane Mukerjee, James Murray, Jeff Newcomb, Julia Olkin, Claudia Sandoval, Jeff Seitz, Tammie Simmons-Mosley, Sarah Taylor, Oanh Tran, Mitch Watnik, Chongqi Wu, Gaozong Yang

Guests Present:

Derek Aitken, Susan Bigler, Endre Branstad, Steve Brown, Stephanie Couch, Linda Dalton, Jiansheng Guo, Jordan Leopold, Saeid Motavalli, Sue Opp, Gretchen Reeve, Sophie Rollins, Dianne Rush-Woods, Farzad Shahbodaghlo, Borre Ulrichsen, Michele Van Hoeck, Brad Wells

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

1. Approval of the agenda

M/S/P (Chamberlain/Helgren) to approve.

2. Approval of the minutes of March 11, 2014

M/S/P (Barrett/Chamberlain) to approve, amended to include Helgren among senators present. There were abstentions.

3. Reports:

A. Report of the Chair

Senate Chair Watnik added to his written report that President Morishita has not yet ratified the recent constitutional amendment, that he is consulting with his cabinet. There was discussion as to what this means for the FDEC Bylaws ballot measure. Watnik welcomed visitors from CSU Maritime Academy: Statewide Senator and Senate Chair Steve Browne, Chair-elect Michele Van Hoeck, and Senate Coordinator Susan Bigler.

B. Report of the President

Administration and Finance VP Wells reported on the labor dispute between carpenters and Sundt at the new building site. In response to a question, APGS AVP Sue Opp stated that East Bay is not raising A2E2 fees above the current \$240 per year, but it can if additional services are provided.

C. Report of the Provost

Provost Houpis described Academic Affairs Directive AA 2014-01, Policy on Timely Adoption of Textbooks, Course Readers, and Course Materials Ordered through the University Bookstore, which appears later in the agenda as an information item. Citing 2006-07 CIC 21 as authority, it sets due dates of May 4, 2014 for Summer and Fall 2014; September 22, 2014 for Winter 2015; and January 5, 2015 for Spring 2015. While the Provost recognizes that academic freedom is a priority, he cannot put it ahead of serving our students and maintaining access and affordability. He encourages CIC to develop a definition of academic freedom as it applies to textbook adoption. Faculty stated that the due dates occur before when departments often know what is being offered and what individual faculty are being assigned, that accessibility need not trump academic freedom, and that annual scheduling offers a solution. The Provost suggested two-year textbook adoptions as an option.

i. Report of PFD

Planning and Enrollment Management VP Dalton stated that Support reports are due next Wednesday and will go the Steering Committee the following Friday. Instructional reports are due three weeks later, in the beginning of May. All reports will be posted, with mechanisms for feedback.

D. Report of the Statewide Academic Senators

Statewide Senator Gubernat reported that at its March plenary ASCSU passed resolutions on Eligibility of Lecturers for Emeritus Status, Selection of Faculty Representatives in Shared Governance, Using Common Core State Standards in CSU Admission and Prerequisite Requirements, Proposed Legislation Authorizing Community College Baccalaureate Degrees, and In Support of Ethnic Studies in the California State University. First reading items included resolutions on Unit Limit Exception Requests, Creation of Discipline Councils, Changes to Title 5 related to the Master's degree, and Eligibility for RSCA funds. May 14-16 is the last plenary of the year at which elections will be held for statewide officers.

E. Report of Student Government

ASI College of Science Director Gaozong Yang, substituting for Interim ASI President Katrina Mayol, reported that ASI passed its Resolution on Academic Advising (sent to the Senate list) and that directors will be hosting a series of "Speak Up and Grub" dinners. The campaign for the month of April is "Earth Day, Every Day." ASI will be hosting Earth Day events on Tuesday, April 22nd. Several senators urged that faculty and administration act on the recommendations in the ASI academic advising resolution. Watnik noted that outgoing ASI President Michelle Xiong supported the reinstatement of the SALO position.

4. Consent Calendar:

A. 13-14 CAPR 7, 13-14 CIC 16: Request for the Discontinuance of the Pre-Physical Therapy Certificate (first appearance)

B. 13-14 CAPR 8, 13-14 CIC 17: Request for the Discontinuance of the Latin American Studies major (first appearance)

C. 13-14 CAPR 15, CIC 23: Discontinuance of Option in Statistical Economics request (first appearance)

D. 13-14 CAPR 16, CIC 24: Discontinuance of Option in Economic Accounting request (first appearance)

E. 13-14 FAC 9: Dean of Libraries title change in Library RTP document (first appearance)

5. Information to Senate:

A. 13-14 CR 1 Revised: Resolution Endorsing the Recommendations of the 2011 Research Strategic Planning Task Force

M/S/P (Taylor/Doering) to accept and endorse the report. M/S/P (Gubernat/Taylor) to charge next year's Committee on Research to further follow up on the recommendations.

B. 13-14 AAA 1: Academic Affairs Directive: Policy on Timely Adoption of Textbooks, Course Readers, and Course Materials Ordered through the University Bookstore

The directive was discussed at length during Item 3.C, Report of the Provost. M/S (Kimball/Murray) to accept. M/S (Karplus/Murray) a substitute motion to refer to CIC. Senators raised further concerns about the authority to issue the directive and about the deadlines. Provost Houpis stated that he was willing to issue a revised document. The motion to refer was withdrawn. M/S/P (Doering/Eagan) to table.

6. Action Items:

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

M/S/P (Watnik/Ginno) to approve. Watnik yielded the chair to Barrett for this item. M/S/NP (Karplus/Kimball) to amend, substituting the language from 12-13 CIC 3 for Subsection d, "to the Executive Committee regarding proposals for new centers and institutes." The proposed amendment did not pass.

B. 13-14 CIC 10 amended: Revised Policy on Withdrawals (second reading)

M/S/P (Murray/Ginno) to approve. CIC Chair Murray clarified that Spring 2014 is the correct effective date.

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

M/S/P (Murray/Ginno) to approve, amended M/S/P (Murray/Kimball) without objection to change “DCIE” to “University Extension” and M/S/P (Murray/Bergman) without objection to rephrase the action requested to read “list separately the extension and special session courses from stateside courses in the course list and search functions.”

D. 13-14 FDEC 4: Resolution of Support for Creation of a University Diversity Officer (second reading)

M/S/P (Geron/Calvo) to approve.

E. 13-14 FAC 4: Policy Regarding the Development and/or Creation of a School (second reading)

M/S (Ginno/Stempel) to approve. Clarification was sought on what is being voted on, whether the policy is on schools or directors of schools. M/S (Karplus/Kimball) to amend the subject line to read, “Policy on procedures for the appointment and review of school directors.” M/S (Fleming/Jennings) a substitute motion to refer to ExCom for further discussion. Watnik noted that 13-14 CAPR 13, dealing in part with schools, is on ExCom’s agenda. It was noted that a school already exists and that there is a proposal for an additional school on today’s Senate agenda. M/S/P (Jennings/Gubernat) a substitute motion to table 13-14 FAC 4 until 13-14 CAPR 13 is discussed.

F. 13-14 CAPR 14, CIC 20: Music's request for New Subject Matter Preparation Program (first reading)

M/S (Fleming/Murray) to approve. Fleming spoke in favor of the item.

G. 13-14 FDEC 6, 13-14 BEC 14: Recommendation of UARC Review of University Diversity Officer (UDO) (first reading)

M/S (Geron/Barrett) to approve.

H. 13-14 CAPR 9, 13-14 CIC 11: School of Engineering Proposal (first reading)

M/S (Doering/Murray) to approve. Engineering Chair Saeid Motavalli spoke in favor of the item.

Time certain Item 7 was next.

I. 13-14 CIC 18: Ethnic Studies Application for GE credit, ES 3010 (first reading)

J. 13-14 CIC 21: Educational Psychology Application for GE credit, ESPY courses 3000/3001 (first reading)

K. 13-14 CIC 22: Theater Application for C1/C3 GE credit, THEA 2225 (first reading)

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

CFA Statewide Vice President Geron gave the report. CFA will be recording videos of faculty in support of bargaining and a fair contract between VBT and Science on April 9 from 12:00 to 3:00. Bargaining continues this Thursday and then every other week through May. With more students being turned away from CSUs such as Long Beach, more Latino students are enrolling at East Bay, bringing us closer to recognition as a Hispanic-Serving Institution.

8. Adjournment

M/S/P (Bergman/Geron) to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Karplus, Secretary