

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY
OFFICE OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

APPROVED Minutes of the Academic Senate Meeting, October 6, 2015

Senators Present:

Stephen Andrews, Nicholas Baham, Ayona Chatterjee, Shannon Coskran, Roger Doering, Denise Fleming, Chandrakalah Ganesh, Kim Geron, Susan Gubernat, Jennie Guzman, Nina Haft, Margaret Harris, Tom Hird, Sukari Ivester, Linda Ivey, Yi Karnes, Mark Karplus, Joshua Kerr, Chong Joanna Lee, Michael Lee, Sherman Lewis, Nancy Mangold, Jim Mitchell, Matthew Moore, Christopher Moreman, Diane Mukerjee, James Murray, Supreet Narula, Carolyn Nelson, Jeffrey Newcomb, Diane Petersen, Sharon Radcliff, Christina Sanchez, Rachael Stryker, Tikerea Tate, Mitchell Watnik, Andrew Wong, Evaon Wong-Kim, Lan Wu, Meling Wu

Guests Present:

Eileen Barrett, Luis Cardenas, Lindsay McCrea, Glen Perry, Mark Robinson, Sophie Rollins, Angela Schneider, Jason Singley, Borre Ulrichsen, Lynn Van Hofwegen, John Wenzler, Donna Wiley

Senators Absent:

Gilberto Arriaza, Steven Borish, Joana Chavez, Ken Curr, Jennifer Eagan, Eric Engdahl, Michael Hedrick, Grant Kien, Monique Manopoulos, Leroy Morishita, Vibha Puri, Sarah Taylor

Vice Chair Ivey called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

1. Approval of the agenda

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

2. Reports:

A. Report of the Chair

i. Parliamentarian named

Denise Fleming was named Parliamentarian at last week's Executive Committee meeting.

B. Report of the President

President Morishita was not in attendance.

C. Report of the Provost

Interim Provost Carolyn Nelson looks forward to partnering with the Academic Senate on initiatives that will advance the mission of the campus.

D. Report of the Statewide Academic Senators

Statewide Senator Gubernat referenced the posted ASCSU report and noted it is unusual to have this much business at the September plenary. Resolutions passed in support of SB 707 which would prohibit persons with a concealed weapon permit from bringing a firearm onto campuses, in support of SB 172 which would temporarily remove the high school exit examination as a condition of graduation, and establishing a task force on the requirements of the GE Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning credit in response to the Statway pilot program. There were first reading resolutions calling for the suspension of the new CSU background check policy (on which ASCSU was not consulted), calling for the addition of an emeritus or emerita faculty member to the CSU Board of Trustees, and on the 2016-17 budget. Regarding the new background check policy, Gubernat described the experience of a faculty member with 40 years of service (a former member of the Board of Trustees and former ASCSU Chair) who returned to work as a retired annuitant and was required to be fingerprinted and undergo a background check.

E. Report of Student Government

The report was given by ASI VP External Affairs Luis Cardenas, joined by CLASS Senator Tikerea Tate, CBE Senator Supreet Narula, and CSCI Senator Christina Sanchez. Highlights from a one-page Report Summary included that in July East Bay received the bid to host the CSSA statewide meeting in May 2016, in August ASI leaders attended Title IX task force meetings, in September the audit was completed, and in October ASI passed a resolution in support of establishing a University Hour.

F. Report of Semester Conversion

Semester Conversion Co-Director Eileen Barrett reported that President Morishita has named three executive sponsors of semester conversion: Interim Provost Nelson, VP Administration and Finance Chaw, and VP Student Affairs Wong. Jason Singley has been appointed Interim CSCI Associate Dean. He will continue as co-director along with Barrett, with Lindsay McCrea as associate director, and Glen Perry as project manager. The steering committee's first meeting is October 9. More than 200 faculty attended four summer workshops. Last week the Executive Committee approved referrals to the GE Subcommittee and to CIC. Two other documents appear as information items on today's agenda.

G. Report of the CFA

CFA East Bay Chapter President Nick Baham praised Jennifer Eagan for her work as Chapter President and now as Statewide CFA President. Baham seeks to continue the culture of inclusion she established. CFA's salary proposal for this year is for a 5% GSI with a 2.65% SSI for all eligible faculty. Bargaining is at the mediation step with the next mediation meeting October 8. The next step after mediation will be factfinding by a third-party neutral. If factfinding does not yield a settlement, the factfinder will issue a report, and if no settlement is reached during a ten-day blackout period, the factfinder's report will be made public and faculty will have the right to strike. The hope is for settlement, but if settlement is not reached, faculty

need to prepare to take action. Tomorrow and Thursday at noon, CFA will be holding bargaining update meetings in the Bayview Room of the New University Union. The Chapter will be holding informational picketing on the morning of October 19. The Strike Authorization Vote will be online September 19-28, with in-person voting in front of the Library October 20-22 and 28. Faculty from East Bay and around the state will converge on the Board of Trustees meeting on November 17 in Long Beach to Fight for Five. The CSU's offer of 2% is not enough.

3. Information Items:

A. 14-15 Committee Chair Annual Reports

M/S/P (Mitchell/Fleming) to accept. It was noted that one of the standing committee annual reports is not included. Ivey stated that the Senate Chair is in touch with the committee chair from last year and the report is on its way.

B. 15-16 BEC 2: Executive Committee and Academic Senate Meeting Schedule

M/S/P (Wu/Stryker) to accept.

C. 15-16 ASCD 2: Creation of a Taskforce for Class Session Time Modules and Final Exam Schedules for Semester Calendar

M/S/P (Murray/Stryker) to accept.

D. 15-16 ASCD 4: 15-16 Semester Conversion Steering Committee and Subcommittees Membership

M/S/P (Wu/Fleming) to accept. The Staff Representative position on the Steering Committee is still vacant.

Time certain Item 4.E was next.

4. Action Items:

A. 15-16 BEC 1: Standing Rules of the Academic Senate

M/S/P (Mitchell/Doering) to approve. M/S/NP (Watnik/Murray) to amend, adding the following as 4.7.i: "Documents from previous years may be placed on the Senate agenda as a first reading." At its meeting last week, the Executive Committee voted to refer outstanding 14-15 documents back to committee. Several senators spoke in support of and several spoke in opposition to the motion to amend. In support of his position, Watnik cited Article III, Section 17 (c) of Robert's Rules and the minutes of the Senate meeting of May 20, 2014. The motion to amend did not pass. The vote was nine in favor and thirteen opposed, with several abstentions.

B. Academic Senate vote to include 2 At-large Senate seats on the Fall 2015 University-wide Election ballot

M/S/P (Wu/Wong-Kim) to approve inclusion of two at-large Senate seats on the Fall University-wide election ballot. Ivey explained that while the Bylaws call for vacancies of more than a quarter to be filled by the Senate, in this case the two seats were relinquished at the start of the 15-17 term by Mitch Watnik and Jim Murray, both serving as standing committee chairs.

C. ITAC's request to turn on Google Apps

i. Information from ITAC

M/S/P (Mitchell/Murray) to approve, amended M/S/P (Watnik/Mitchell) to add the designation 15-6 CITA 1. M/S/P (Mitchell/Stryker) to waive the first reading. The request from ITAC dates from Spring, and classes have been delayed from using the apps this Fall. In response to a question, CIO and IT Services AVP Borre Ulrichsen stated that the apps could be turned off if privacy issues were discovered, although content would be affected.

D. 15-16 BEC 5: Resolution on California State University (CSU) 2015-16 Presidential Searches

M/S/P (Gubernat/Fleming) to adopt. M/S/P (Gubernat/Fleming) to waive the first reading. The motion to adopt the resolution passed unanimously.

Item 5 was next.

E. 14-15 CAPR 24: Proposal for new Nursing M.S. degree program (Nursing Chair Lynn Van Hofwegen, 2:45 PM time certain)

M/S/P (Gubernat/Doering) to approve. M/S/P (Wu/Fleming) to waive the first reading.

Item 4.A was next.

5. Adjournment

M/S/P (Mitchell/Wu) to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Karplus, Secretary