

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY
OFFICE OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

APPROVED Minutes of the Academic Senate Meeting, November 3, 2015

Senators Present:

Nicholas Baham, Steven Borish, Lonny Brooks, Ayona Chatterjee, Shannon Coskran, Ken Curr, Roger Doering, Chandrakalah Ganesh, Kim Geron, Jennie Guzman, Nina Haft, Margaret Harris, Michael Hedrick, Tom Hird, Sukari Ivester, Linda Ivey, Yi Karnes, Mark Karplus, Joshua Kerr, Grant Kien, Chong Joanna Lee, Sherman Lewis, Robert Loveland, Nancy Mangold, Monique Manopoulos, Jim Mitchell, Leroy Morishita, Diane Mukerjee, Jeffrey Newcomb, Sharon Radcliff, Mitchell Watnik, Andrew Wong, Evaon Wong-Kim, Lan Wu,

Guests Present:

Jagdish Agrawal, Derek Aitkin, Sarah Auburt, Eileen Barrett, Sandy Claflin, Linda Dobb, Lori Erdman, Glen Perry, Gretchen Reevy, Mark Robinson, Sophie Rollins, Diane Rush Woods, Jason Singley, Donna Wiley

Senators Absent:

Stephen Andrews, Gilberto Arriaza, Joana Chavez, Jennifer Eagan, Eric Engdahl, Denise Fleming, Karina Garbesi, Susan Gubernat, Eshan Kamalinejad, Michael Lee, Matthew Moore, Christopher Moreman, James Murray, Supreet Narula, Carolyn Nelson, Diane Petersen, Vibha Puri, Christina Sanchez, Rachael Stryker, Tikerea Tate, Sarah Taylor, Meling Wu

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

1. Approval of the agenda

M/S/P (Kerr/Wong-Kim) to approve.

2. Approval of the 10/20/15 minutes

M/S/P (Mitchell/Curr) to approve.

3. Reports:

A. Report of the Chair

Hedrick reported that the Executive Committee voted to cancel the November 17 Senate meeting, a Semester Conversion Town Hall will be held November 19 10:00-11:30, and the Executive Committee received a draft position description for the Provost.

B. Report of the President

President Morishita reported that the search for Vice President of Administration and Finance is moving forward. Enrollment is high in every category with substantial increases in first-time

freshman. In response to questions, he stated he had received the administrative review calendar, had no objection to the current list of administrators to be reviewed for this academic year, and would be convening UARC.

C. Report of the Provost

There was no report. The Interim Provost was not in attendance.

D. Report of the Statewide Academic Senators

There was no report. The Statewide Academic Senators were at the ASCSU plenary in Long Beach.

E. Report of Student Government

There was no report.

F. Report of Semester Conversion

Barrett noted that there are four items related to semester conversion on today's Senate agenda, two information items and two items from CIC. The consultants' Fit Gap report is nearing final approval.

G. Report of the CFA

Baham thanked CFA members for efforts on the strike authorization vote; results will be announced November 4. The Chapter will be preparing a response to the Interim Provost's memo on semester conversion.

4. Information Items:

A. 15-16 ASCSC 1: Approval Process for the Semester Conversion Steering Committee

M/S/P (Doering/Ivey) to accept.

B. 15-16 ASCSC 2: Department Funding Model for General Education and Graduation Requirements and Subcommittee Referrals

M/S/P (Wong-Kim/Geron) to accept.

C. Notice of cancellation of 11/17 Senate meeting

M/S/P (Doering/Curr) to accept.

5. Consent Calendar:

A. 14-15 CAPR 23: CAPR Report of the Five year report for Earth and Environmental Sciences (2006-2013) (second appearance)

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

B. 15-16 CIC 2: Approval of COMM 2550 Queer Cultures: Knowledge and Literacy for GE D1-3 (first appearance)

C. 15-16 CIC 3: Approval of GEOL 3080 Hands on Earth Science Lab for B6 GE10/20/15 (first appearance)

D. 15-16 CAPR 1 and 15-16 CIC 8 : Request for discontinuance of Social Services Option in Sociology and Social Services BA (first appearance)

E. 15-16 CAPR 2 and 15-16 CIC 9: Request for the discontinuance of the Organizational Communication Certificate in Communication (first appearance)

F. 15-16 CAPR 3 and 15-16 CIC 10: Request for discontinuance of MA in Geography (first appearance)

G. 15-16 CAPR 4 and 15-16 CIC 11: Request for discontinuance of MA in Anthropology (first appearance)

6. Action Items:

A. 15-16 CIC 4: Approval of Course Numbering Regime Under Semesters (first reading)

M/S/P (Watnik/Hird) to approve, as amended below. M/S/P (Watnik/Mitchell) to waive the first reading. There was discussion of reserving numbers across all prefixes for doctoral level courses. A revised version of the document emailed to the Senate prior to the meeting by CIC Chair Watnik was discussed.

M/S/P (Watnik/Mitchell) to change “an” to “a single” in the first sentence under Proposed Policy. M/S/P (Watnik/Doering) to add “and are not subject to infrequently-offered course policies” after “The following numbers shall be reserved across all prefixes”; add Footnote 1 after “490 and 690: independent study”; add Footnote 2 after “398, 498, and 698: Co-op Education”; add “(senior thesis) after “499: Capstone”; add “493, 693 Project” before “495 and 695: Practicum”; add Footnote 3 after “497 and 697: Issues in...”; delete “689: Project”; and add the following footnotes: [1] Such courses will automatically be entered in the Catalog for any degree-granting program, with the course description “Students may apply no more than 12 units of independent study in the major department and 8 units in other departments to a baccalaureate degree. Prerequisites: undergraduate students who have at least a 2.0 (C) grade point average and graduate students with at least a 3.0 (B) grade point average in all courses in the field or department in which the Independent Study is to be taken. [2] Such courses will automatically be entered in the Catalog for any degree-granting program, with the course description “Supervised work experience in which student completes academic assignments

integrated with off-campus paid or volunteer activities within the quarter enrolled. Prerequisites: At least 2.0 GPA and departmental approval of activity.” [3] Such courses will automatically be entered in the Catalog for any degree-granting program, with the course description “Readings, discussion, and research on contemporary and/or significant issues in [the field].” M/S/P (Watnik/Mitchell) to add the following after “699: Department Thesis”: “If faculty so choose the use of postscripts for their courses, note the following postscripts (also referred to as suffixes) shall be reserved across all course numbers: L (Lab courses), Y (Activity courses), T (Transitional/Temporary (Bridge) courses. Postscripts will be limited to the use of letters A – F, with course post-scripts listed in alpha order for sequence courses. APGS shall provide a course numbering template to serve as a guide and course mapping tool. The template shall identify areas for grouping courses to allow for a comprehensive structure that promotes student understanding across disciplines.” M/S/P (Mitchell/Watnik) to add “(Academic Program and Graduate Studies)” after “APGS” in the next-to-last sentence added in the prior amendment.

Objections were raised regarding the late notice of the proposed amendments and the inability to consult with departments over the changes. It was noted that the item had been on the previous Senate meeting’s agenda but had not received a first reading and had been discussed in an earlier form last year. The main motion to approve as amended passed. There were abstentions.

B. 14-15 CIC 40: Recommendation for Freshman Year Experience under Semesters (first reading)

M/S (Watnik/Hird) to approve.

C. 14-15 FAC 15: Lecturer Subcommittee Recommended Changes to the CSUEB Bylaws (first reading)

M/S (Karpus/Mitchell) to approve. Reevy provided background on the document. Watnik suggested that “Fall 2015” in the Action Requested will need to be changed at second reading. He also suggested that the language calling for the Senate office to publish the names of those qualified for membership in the lecturer electorate may need clarification since the Senate office relies on Academic Affairs for the list.

D. 14-15 FAC 16: Suggested revisions to the Policy on Course Syllabus Information (first reading)

M/S (Curr/Wong-Kim) to approve.

E. 14-15 CIC 25 revised: Procedure for Handling Pilot Programs’ Migration to Permanent Status (first reading)

M/S (Watnik/Mitchell) to approve.

7. Adjournment

M/S/P (Mitchell/Doering) to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Karplus, Secretary