Senators Present:

Guests Present:
Derek Aitken, Eileen Barrett, Luz Calvo, Debbie Chaw, Julie Glass, Lindsay McCrea, Sarah Nielsen, Glen Perry, Mark Robinson, Sophie Rollins, Maureen Scharberg, Angela Schneider, Donna Wiley

Senators Absent: Gilberto Arriaza, Joana Chavez, Ken Curr, Elena Dukhovny, Jennifer Eagan, Karina Garbesi, Sukari Ivester, Ehsan Kamalinejad, Yi Karnes, Monique Manopoulos, Jim Mitchell, Diane Mukerjee, Silvia Ortiz, Vibha Puri, Christina Sanchez, Tikerea Tate, Andrew Wong

The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m.

1. Approval of the agenda

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

2. Approval of the 2/2/16 minutes

M/S/P (Watnik/Murray) to approve, amended M/S/P (Karplus/Watnik) to change “require” to “make explicit the requirements of particular assignments and” in the third sentence of the second paragraph of Item 3.A and change “main” to “substitute” in the first sentence of the next-to-last paragraph of Item 3.A.

3. Action Item:

A. 15-16 CIC 20: General Education Learning Outcomes (second reading)

i. GE Learning Outcomes document with incorporated edits from Senators and 2/2/16 Senate amendments
The motion on the floor was the substitute motion, M/S (Ivey/Hird) to substitute the document as modified, made and amended at the 2/2/16 Senate meeting. Glass described further modifications in B1, B2, B3, and C4 approved by the GE Subcommittee of CIC on 2/15/16 and shown in red on the document posted on the 2/23/16 Senate agenda.

M/S/P (Fleming/Ivey) to substitute the document posted on the 2/23/16 Senate agenda. This motion was initially framed as a substitute motion, however, prior to the vote, it was clarified that the intent was not to end debate, so it is recorded as a motion to substitute the document, rather than a substitute motion.

M/S/NP (Lewis/Murray) to change “embed” to “include” in the second bullet of the Preamble. The motion did not pass.

M/S/P (Lee/Fleming) to change “or” to “and/or” in D1-3.2.

M/S/P (Murray/Lee) to change “and accepted value systems” to “including the accepted standards” in B1.3 and B2.3, and change “value systems” to “standards” in B3.3.

M/S/NP (Hird/Wu) to bifurcate the document into policy and outcomes. Hird emailed the Senate list regarding the motion on February 22. Faculty spoke in support of and against the motion. It was stated that policy and criteria portions of the document mention factors not in the outcomes, thus clouding the outcomes; the criteria are essential to the outcomes, so they are meant to be read together; there is inconsistency between areas, with only some areas including characteristics; and there are relevant criteria outside of the policy, in other policies. The motion did not pass.

M/S/NP (Murray/Wu) to change B1.1 to “demonstrate knowledge of scientific concepts and theories relevant to physical science, and how scientific evidence is used to explain and support them.” The vote was 13 in favor, 14 opposed, with four abstentions. The motion did not pass.

The substitute motion passed: M/S/P (Ivey/Hird) to substitute the document as modified, substituted by the document posted on the 2/23/16 Senate agenda as amended above.

4. Reports:

A. Report of the Chair

Hedrick reported that the Chancellor’s open forum will be held next Monday 3:30-4:30 in the Multipurpose Room of the New University Union. The time module models will be presented at standing committee meetings over the next few weeks. Candidates for the Provost position will be invited in April. The calls for the Outstanding Professor Award and Sue Schaefer Faculty Service Award have gone out.

B. Report of the President
Morishita congratulated the Senate on completing its work on the GE learning outcomes document. In support of 15-16 FAC 4, later on the agenda, he stated that 16 other campuses have at least two Presidential appointees on their Provost search committee, and some have four or five. Two appointees will provide different perspectives from different vantage points. He praised our campus civility and asked that the question and answer session with the Chancellor be done in a respectful and civil way. In preparing for a possible strike, he is most concerned about the aftermath. Fleming questioned the President’s need for additional perspectives on the Provost search committee. She contrasted his practice of not attending ExCom with the practice of past Presidents who attended every week. Morishita responded that he does not wish to be party to discussion on issues that will come to him for his signature.

C. Report of the Provost

Nelson reported that she is working with Hedrick and Barrett on a position description for the new semester conversion co-director. There will be 30 new faculty searches in 2016-17. She introduced new Dean of Undergraduate Studies Maureen Scharberg. Nelson is working with FAC to create a task force on faculty assigned time for theses and independent studies.

D. Report of the Statewide Academic Senators

There was no report. Fleming noted that the ACSCU plenary will be March 3-4.

E. Report of Student Government

There was no report.

F. Report of Semester Conversion

Barrett reported that all GE and graduate program funding requests have been approved and 33 graduate programs are in the Curriculog curriculum approval process.

G. Report of the CFA

Baham stated that for him the planned CFA strike is an act of love, with faculty demanding our work be valued. Town halls will be held today and tomorrow in the Biella Room from 4:15 to 6:15. Information sessions were held last week with department representatives. Faculty are asked to wear red to the Chancellor’s visit next week. There is misinformation in the FAQs sent from the Chancellor’s Office. Faculty can and should speak to students. We cannot compel students to walk out or give extra credit if they do, but they can join us. In response to a question, Baham stated that faculty would not be on strike on the weekend of April 16-17; the strike is scheduled for April 13-15 and April 18-19. Morishita stated that according to the Chancellor’s Office, the strike cannot start, stop, and then start again. Gubernat reminded faculty that there can be no retaliation for anyone who strikes.

5. Information Items:
A. 15-16 CIC 24: Request from Kinesiology to modify KIN 3330: Motor Learning Control

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

B. 15-16 COBRA 1: Year End Report on the Progress of the “Classroom Planning Study and Classroom Design Standards; California State University East Bay: 21st Century Classroom Plan” project

M/S (Doering/Hird) to accept. Concerns raised at ExCom over 15-16 COBRA 1 and 15-16 COBRA 2 were shared, including the $821,000 cost estimate to renovate four classrooms and that according to Facilities AVP Jim Zavagno the President has budgeted $10 million over the next five years for 80 remaining classroom renovations. M/S (Wu/Doering) a substitute motion to refer back to COBRA to provide more detailed cost information. M/S/P (Fleming/Gubernat) a substitute motion to accept with concerns and invite Zavagno to Senate to discuss.

C. 15-16 COBRA 2: Report on the Current Status of the Classroom Upgrade Project

M/S (Watnik/Wong-Kim) to accept. M/S/P (Karplus/Fleming) a substitute motion to accept with concerns and invite Facilities AVP Zavagno to Senate to discuss.

6. Action Items:

A. 15-16 CIC 6: Revision of requirements for a Minor under semesters (second reading)

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

B. 15-16 CIC 7: Approval of B4 and D1-3 GE designation for FIN 2300: Personal Financial Management (second reading)

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

C. 14-15 FAC 17: Proposed recommendations for shorter sessions under semesters (second reading)

M/S/P (Mitchell/Curr) to approve, amended M/S/P (Mitchell/Doering) to delete the last sentence under Summer Sessions, “All courses shall last a minimum of 4 weeks.”

D. 15-16 FAC 4: Addition of second Presidential appointee to the Provost Search Committee as outlined in the Appointment and Review of Administrative Officers of CSUEB document (first reading)

M/S (Murray/Stryker) to approve. In response to a question, FAC Chair Murray stated that the intent is that the change be permanent and not just apply to the current search. It was noted that for dean searches, the President can appoint a member of the University Faculty in addition to their Presidential faculty appointee from outside the college. Several faculty questioned the need for a second Presidential appointee to the Provost search committee.
Item 7 was next.

E. 15-16 FAC 1: Allowance for an Executive Committee appointed representative to MPP search committees in emergency situations in the Policies and Procedures Governing Faculty Participation in Appointment and Review of Administrative Officers California State University, East Bay (first reading)

F. 15-16 FAC 2: Establishing a term of service for the immediate past chair on the Academic Senate and Executive Committee within the University Constitution (first reading)

G. 15-16 FAC 3: Reconciling voting threshold differences between the requirements in the University Constitution and Bylaws (first reading)

H. 15-16 CIC 17: Minimum grade requirements for native/transfer students in A1-A3 and B4 from EO 1100 (first reading)

I. 15-16 CIC 19: Granting of academic credit listed upon the satisfactory completion of the Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), or College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) test (first reading)

J. 15-16 CIC 21: Postponement of enacting prerequisite enforcements (first reading)

K. 15-16 CAPR 6: Proposal for new B.S. Civil Engineering degree program (first reading)

L. 15-16 CIC 23: Bridge course exemptions to moratorium on curriculum changes (first reading)

M. 15-16 CR 2: Animal Care and Use Policy Amendment (first reading)

N. 15-16 FAC 7: Suggested changes to the Appointment and Review of Department Chairs Policy and Procedures (first reading)

O. 15-16 CAPR 7: Temporary Suspension of the Master of Art and Master of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies (first reading)

P. 15-16 CAPR 8: Proposed changes to the Academic Program Review Procedures regarding accredited programs and annual reports (first reading)

7. Adjournment

M/S/P (Fleming/Stryker) to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Karplus, Secretary