Senators Present:

Guests Present:
Derek Aitken, Eileen Barrett, Pat Jennings, Lindsay McCrea, Mark Robinson, Sophie Rollins, Maureen Scharberg, Borre Ulrichsen, Donna Wiley, Julie Wong, James Zarrillo

Senators Absent:
Nesreen Albanna, Gilberto Arriaza, Joana Chavez, Shannon Coskran, Eric Fricke, Karina Garbesi, Susan Gubernat, Nina Haft, Tom Hird, Sukari Ivester, Linda Ivey, Ehsan Kamalinejad, Yi Karnes, Joshua Kerr, Grant Kien, Michael Lee, Nancy Mangold, Monique Manopoulos, Matthew Moore, Silvia Ortiz, Vibha Puri, Sharon Radcliff, Rachael Stryker, Tikerea Tate, Sarah Taylor, Andrew Wong, Evaon Wong-Kim

The meeting was called to order at 2:15 p.m.

1. Approval of the agenda

M/S/P (Curr/Mitchell) to approve, amended to give Item 4.M a time certain of 3:00 and Item 4.F a time certain of 2:45.

2. Approval of the 4/5/16 minutes

M/S/P (Doering/Fleming) to approve. There were abstentions.

3. Reports:

A. Report of the Chair

Hedrick thanked Ivey for chairing last week’s Senate meeting. He thanked CFA Statewide President Eagan, CFA East Bay Chapter President Baham, and everyone who helped work toward the tentative agreement. Word of the tentative agreement arrived during last week’s meeting of CSU Senate Chairs at Sacramento State. Issues discussed at the meeting included academic freedom, tenure density, and Senator Glazer’s bill to increase four-year graduation rates.
B. Report of the President

Morishita congratulated Eagan and CFA leadership on the tentative agreement. We all need to now go to the legislature with one voice. Regarding Senator Glazer’s bill, he stated that while the Chancellor’s Office has not yet taken a position, he personally doesn’t think it’s good and thinks it’s elitist.

C. Report of the Provost

The meeting for faculty search committee members on May 2 will include training on Interfolio.

D. Report of the Statewide Academic Senators

There was no report.

E. Report of Student Government

There was no report.

F. Report of Semester Conversion

Barrett reported that APGS continues to offer curriculum preparation workshops. The overlay outcomes submitted by the GE subcommittee to CIC have been approved and will be going to ExCom.

G. Report of the CFA

Baham acknowledged Eagan with gratitude. Voting on the tentative agreement will be online April 22-29. East Bay’s information session on the tentative agreement will be 4:00-5:30 today in the Biella Room following the Senate meeting. Faculty and students are encouraged to attend the Fight for 15 rally in Oakland on April 14. Baham singled out over a dozen East Bay Chapter leaders for their contributions to planning for the strike. Special thanks went to Mona Dongray, Chapter office manager and organizer par excellence, and Students for Quality Education interns Emma Burke, Ryan Tayahua, and Erika Jimenez. He thanked CSUEU, APC, the CLC, and CTA for their support. He thanked President Morishita and Chief Boykins for Senate and one-on-one discussions.

Time certain Item 6.F was next.

4. Action Items:

A. 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 (second reading)

M/S/P (Murray/Wu) to approve, following M/S/NP (Watnik/Kerr) to refer to FAC. The second reading continued following M/S (Murray/Wu) to approve at the first reading on March 8, and
M/S (Watnik/Kerr) to refer to FAC on April 5. Faculty spoke in favor of the motion to refer, arguing that additional changes needed to be considered; and against the motion to refer, arguing that the single change should be made now. The motion to refer did not pass. The main motion passed.

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

M/S (Fleming/Mitchell) to approve.

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

M/S/P (Murray/Curr) to approve, following M/S/P (Mitchell/Fleming) to waive the first reading, and amended M/S/P (Fleming/Mitchell) to delete “In no case shall the Constitution be changed if less than 1/3 of regular members vote” and “In no case shall the Bylaws be changed if less than 1/3 of regular members vote.”

Time certain Item 6.M was next.

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

M/S (Mitchell/Watnik) to approve. In response to a question as to where CSUEB is out of compliance with EO 1100, Wiley cited Article 2.2.2. Faculty stated that students will lose flexibility to take classes CR/NC and that students and faculty need to know that exceptions are possible.

E. 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)

M/S (Mitchell/Moreman) to approve. Fleming questioned the need for the new policy and the proposed procedures relating to the articulation officer.

Item 4.G was next.

F. 15-16 CIC 21: Postponement of enacting prerequisite enforcements (first reading) (2:45 pm time certain)

M/S (Mitchell/Watnik) to approve. Concerns were raised about the level of personal commentary in the Background. M/S/P (Watnik/Doering) to refer back to CIC.

Item 4.A was next.

G. 15-16 CAPR 6: Proposal for new B.S. Civil Engineering degree program (first reading)
M/S (Watnik/Curr) to approve.

H. 15-16 CIC 23: Bridge course exemptions to moratorium on curriculum changes (first reading)
M/S (Mitchell/Watnik) to approve.

I. 15-16 FAC 7: Suggested changes to the Appointment and Review of Department Chairs Policy and Procedures (first reading)
M/S (Murray/Moreman) to approve.

J. 15-16 CAPR 7: Temporary Suspension of the Master of Art and Master of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies (first reading)
M/S (Curr/Wu) to approve.

K. 15-16 CAPR 8: Proposed changes to the Academic Program Review Procedures regarding accredited programs and annual reports (first reading)
M/S (Wu/Curr) to approve.

L. 15-16 CIC 25: Suggested amendments to the Online & Hybrid Instruction Policy (first reading)
M/S (Mitchell/Wu) to approve.

Item 5 was next.

M. 15-16 CIC 30: Master’s Requirements for Semester Calendar (first reading) (3:00 pm time certain)
M/S (Murray/Watnik) to approve. It was noted that the document would benefit from a few additional edits. M/S/P (Fleming/Mitchell) to refer back to CIC.

Item 4.D was next.

5. Adjournment

M/S/P (Watnik/Curr) to approve. The meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Karplus, Secretary