

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, EAST BAY
OFFICE OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

AMENDED Minutes of the Academic Senate Meeting, November 29, 2016

Senators Present:

Stephen Andrews, Elizabeth Bergman, Steven Borish, Joseph Brandao, Paul Carpenter, Shannon Coskran, John Eros, Denise Fleming, Amy Furniss, Chandra Ganesh, Karina Garbesi, Kim Geron, Joanna Giron, Nina Haft, George Hanna, Margaret Harris, Michael Hedrick, Erik Helgren, Thomas Hird, Sukari Ivester, Pat Jennings, Kevin Kaatz, Yi Karnes, Mark Karplus, Jaiman Khaira, Dawna Komorosky, Sherman Lewis, Robert Lin, Nancy Mangold, Kassandra Marisral, James Mitchell, Matthew Moore, Christopher Moreman, Leroy Morishita, James Murray, Jeffrey Newcomb, Sharon Radcliff, Gretchen Reevy, Omri Shimron, Jason Smith, Sara Smith, James Tandon, Mitch Watnik, Andrew Wong, Meiling Wu

Guests Present:

Derek Aitken, Nick Baham, Mark Chan, Matt Collins, Linda Dobb, Lori Erdman, Hendrix Erhahon, Jiansheng Guo, David Lopez, Lindsay McCrea, Glen Perry, Mark Robinson, Sophie Rollins, Maureen Scharberg, Lucero Wallace, Donna Wiley, Julie Wong

Senators Absent:

Gilberto Arriaza, Eric Fricke (*Fall Sabbatical*), Susan Gubernat (*Fall Sabbatical*), Jennie Guzman, Yi He, Murray Horne, Edward Inch, Linda Ivey, Ehsan Kamalinejad, Robert Loveland, Jenny O, Pradeep Ramanathan, Rachael Stryker, Steve Ugbah

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

1. Approval of the agenda

M/S/P (Murray/Reevy) to approve, as amended

2. Approval of the 11/15/16 minutes

Minutes not available

3. Reports

A. Report of the Chair

Chair Karplus extended his best wishes for the holiday season to all.

ExCom's next meeting will be on 1/3/17; the Senate meets next on 1/10/17.

Julie Wong (VP Student Affairs) presented the Best Faculty Partner in Transformation Award to Professor Nina Haft.

B. Report of the President

President Morishita wished everyone a restorative and enjoyable holiday season.

He reported that the Board of Trustees passed budget proposal (\$364M), which now goes to the Governor, who will develop his proposal by the 1/10/17 deadline. Following that, the Legislature works on the budget in preparation for the May Revise.

The President discussed the possible tuition increase. As required by law, the higher education segments must follow a timeline wherein students are given notice of any potential tuition increase in September. Morishita stated that the Chancellor and CSSA have been meeting to discuss the reasons for the proposed hike.

President Morishita next stated that CSUEB will not be labeled a “sanctuary” campus because the term may result in loss of federal funds, which would hurt students relying on financial aid (46-47% are Pell recipients). While the term “sanctuary” will not be used, the principles embedded in the term are what we will uphold.

Regarding the upcoming time module discussion, Morishita advocated for the University Hour as it will provide time for advising and other services that students may not have time for otherwise. If the University Hour were held at noon, there could be lecture series and other events that staff could attend on their lunch hour. The President also suggested conducting a three-year pilot to evaluate and adjust the selected schedule.

Previously the President had expressed his hope that CSUEB would be among the last of the CSU campuses to participate in the California Promise (Glazer). In response to Senator Watnik’s question as to why we are committed to participate sooner, President Morishita stated that we are not in the 4-year group, but in the 2-year (transfer) group. As a result, there will be some transfer students who will be accorded priority enrollment.

C. Report of the Statewide Senate

Fleming reported that virtual Interim Standing Committee meetings are scheduled for December 2; the next Plenary and Standing Committee meetings will take place in Long Beach January 24-27

D. Report of Student Government

ASI President Hendrix Erhahon thanked the faculty for their work this quarter.

He stated that there will be coffee and snacks for students at both the Hayward and Concord campuses during finals week.

ASI is currently reviewing scholarship applicants and the awardees will be announced shortly.

On Wednesday, ASI passed a resolution against the proposed tuition increase. ASI leaders met with President Morishita to discuss advocacy collaboration. There are also plans for a town hall meeting, a letter campaign to legislators, and phone banking activities.

Erhahon strongly advocated for the Senate to recommend a model that includes the University Hour, as he believes it will work to transform the nature of student-faculty relationships and students' education experience.

E. Report of the Semester Conversion

Hedrick reported that information from Wendy Chen's presentation on the Individualized Advising Plan (IAP) will be posted on the Semester Conversion website.

F. Report of the CFA

CSUEB CFA Chapter President Baham announced that beginning late tomorrow morning, there will be a campus-wide demonstration, with "United Against Hate" and "Niños sin Fronteras" advocating in solidarity for all. He expects approximately 100 students and community members will convene at the Agora. Donations of baked goods, coffee and tea, or money are welcome.

4. Action Items

A. 16-17 BEC 6: Report of the Time Modules Task Force

Using the ranked voting procedure (as discussed below), the Senate sends forth Module 3 as its recommendation to President Morishita.

M/S/P (Fleming/Newcomb) to amend the recommendation to include "That there be a three-year pilot to evaluate and recommend adjustments to the model, details of the pilot to be determined by the Executive Committee."

M/S/NP a motion to amend to address concern that chairs be provided with adequate support and time for scheduling

The final ballot tally was:

Module 1: 0 first choice votes

Module 2: 12 first choice votes

Module 3: 26 first choice votes

Prior to discussion and voting, Chair Karplus explained the ranked voting procedures recommended by ExCom and emailed to the Senate on November 28. The Chair asked that the body suspend the rules for the purposes of discussing and implementing ranked voting.

M/S/P (Jennings/Wu) to suspend the rules to allow for the discussion and voting on ranked voting.

M/S/P (Garbesi/Newcomb) to approve ranked voting as outlined

By paper ballot, Senators ranked their first and second choices. A 50% or more majority of “first” choices for a module results in that module being the Senate’s recommendation. During the first round of ranked voting, Module 3 received 26 out of 38 first choice votes, making it the Senate’s recommendation.

Prior to balloting, there was an open discussion of the modules and the University Hour. Those advocating against the University Hour cited concerns about faculty workload (e.g., added responsibility without pay), scheduling challenges, and the impact on working students. Those advocating for the University Hour argued that it will positively change the culture of the institution and that working students are in favor of the Hour. Several Senators spoke in favor of a 3-year pilot, as suggested by President Morishita, to allow for evaluation and adjustments.

M/S/NP (Watnik/Hird) to substitute a modified module 2 for the ranked choice voting

Next, was Item O, by time certain:

O. 16-17 BEC 7: Opposition to the Proposed Tuition Increase

M/S/P (Fleming/Garbesi) to oppose the proposed tuition increase

The vote on the resolution was unanimous.

Next, was Item B, by time certain:

B. 16-17 CAPR 4: Resumed and rebalanced Five-year Review schedule for 2017-2022

M/S/P (Jason/Wu) amended to move MS in Education, MS in Ed Leadership, Ed. D in Educational Leadership, MS in Special Ed and MS in Counseling to the 2019-2020 cycle and to add the MA in Economics (date TBD by accreditation)

C. 16-17 FDEC 1: Resolution to support and enhance a positive and inclusive campus climate in light of the SJSU 2013 racial violence case

M/S/P (Wu/Geron) with 1 abstention M/S/P (Watnik/Garbesi) to waive first reading

D. 16-17 CIC 6: Online and Hybrid Instruction

M/S/P (Watnik/Murray) to refer back to CIC

Action Items E-N were not addressed due to adjournment

5. Information Items

No information items were addressed, due to adjournment

6. Adjournment

M/S/P (Geron/Hedrick) to adjourn at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Denise Fleming, Secretary