

ACADEMIC SENATE YEAR-END REPORT 2018-19

A. Academic Senate

I. **University Policies**

The Academic Senate moved, seconded, debated, and approved the following University Policies:

- **Revision of RSCA (AS-1058-19/FPPC/EC)**
 - approval by Academic Senate 2-7-19
 - concurrence from President on 2-13-19
 - issued as University Policy Statement 19-03 on 3-7-19
- **Revision of Policy on Faculty Awards (AS-1067-18/FPPC)**
 - approval by Academic Senate on 1-31-19
 - informational memo sent to President on 2-11-19
- **Revision of Range Elevation for Lecturer Faculty (AS-1075-19/FPPC)**
 - approval by Academic Senate on 3-21-19
 - concurrence from President on 4-18-19
 - issued as University Policy Statement 19-06 on 5-16-19
- **New ACIP Policy (AS-1074-19/FPPC/AS)**
 - approval by Academic Senate on 3-21-19
 - concurrence from President on 4-18-19
 - issued as University Policy Statement 19-07 on 5-16-19
- **Revision of GE Policy (AS-1073-19/CEPC/AS)**
 - approval by Academic Senate on 4-18-19
 - concurrence from President on 4-29-18
 - Issued as University Policy Statement 19-08 on 5-20-19
- **Revision of Policy on Avoidance of Conflict of Interest PS 99-15 and Policy on Nepotism PS 05-10 (AS-968-17/FPPC)**
 - Approval by Academic Senate on 3-7-19
 - Concurrence from President on 5-14-19
 - Issued as University Policy Statement 19-09 on 6-4-19

II. **Degrees, Programs, Options, Certificates, and Credentials**

The Academic Senate moved, seconded, debated, and approved the following degrees, programs, and certificates:

- Implementation: **Minor in Design History and Theory (AS-1056-18/CEPC/URC)**
 - approval by Academic Senate on 11-1-18
 - concurrence from President on 10-16-18
 - issued as Policy Statement 18-14
- Implementation: **MS in Athletic Training Implementation (AS-1049-17/CEPC/URC)**
 - approval by Academic Senate on 9-20-18
 - concurrence from President on 10-16-18
 - Issued as Policy Statement 19-02

- **Implementation: New Minor in Translation Studies (AS-1069-18/CEPC/URC)**
 - approval by Academic Senate 2-21-19
 - concurrence from President on 2-22-19
 - issued as Policy Statement 19-04 on 3-6-19
- **Implementation: Elevation of Arts in Education: Option in Educational Administration to Master of Arts in Education Administration (AS-1071-19/CEPC/URC)**
 - approval by Academic Senate on 4-18-19
 - concurrence from President on 4-29-19
- **Implementation: MS in Counseling, Option in Marriage and Family Therapy (MFT) to elevate to an MS in Counseling Psychology (AS-1070-19/CEPC/URC)**
 - approval by Academic Senate on 4-18-19
 - concurrence from President on 4-29-19

III. Discontinuances, Name Changes, and Suspensions of Academic Programs

The Senate approved the following discontinuances, name changes, or suspensions of academic programs this year.

- **Proposal of name change from PhD in Engineering & Industrial Applied Mathematics to PhD in Engineering & Computational Mathematics (As-1059-18/CEPC)**
 - Approval by Academic Senate on 9-20-18
 - Concurrence from Provost on 10-23-18
- **Proposal of name change from CBA to COB (AS-1064-18/CEPC)**
 - Approval by Academic Senate on 11-1-18
 - Concurrence from Provost on 11-1-18
 - Curriculum approval on 12-13-18
- **Proposal of name change from CCPE to CPIE (AS-1065-18/CEPC)**
 - Approval by Academic Senate on 11-15-18
 - Concurrence from Provost on 11-19-18
 - Curriculum approval on 12-13-18
- **Discontinuance of MA in Art, Option in Studio Art (AS-1066-18/CEPC/URC)**
 - Consent calendar approval by AS on 2-7-19
 - Memo sent to President on 2-11-19
- **Dissolution of Educator Preparation Committee (AS-1061-18/EC)**
 - Approval by Academic Senate on 10-18-18
 - Memo sent to President on 10-22-18
- **Dissolution of University Library Committee (AS-1062-18/EC)**
 - Approval by Academic Senate on 10-18-18
 - Memo sent to President on 10-22-18
- **Rescission of AS Policy PS 78-06 (AS-1063-18/EC)**
 - Approval by Academic Senate on 10-4-18
 - Memo sent to President on 10-15-19

IV. Resolutions

The Academic Senate moved, seconded, debated, and approved the following resolutions:

- Resolution on WSCUC/WASC Steering Committee (AS-1057-18) amended on 10-18-18 to include DAF to the member list

V. Reports

In the course of the year, the Academic Senate received reports from the following groups and individuals:

- President Jane Conoley (regularly)
- California Faculty Association (CFA) CSULB chapter president Doug Domingo-Forasté (regularly)
- Academic Senate of the CSU (ASCSU) Senators Kelly Janousek, Eileen Klink, and Praveen Soni (after each ASCSU meeting)
- Report on AASCU Seminar on Politics and the Yellowstone Ecosystem by Monica Argondana, Anne D’Zmura, Christine Jocoy, Nancy Matthews, and Christine Whitcraft
- Report from USAID Diplomat in Residence Alfred Nakatsuma
- Report from Aparna Nayak on the CSU Academic Council on International Programs
- Report from Richard Markus on Academic Council on International Programs

VI. Events

- Academic Senate Retreat (10/18/2018): *Preserving the Past, Creating the Future*
Held in the new CPIE conference room
- Academic Senate Lecture Series (First Lecture 3-14-19): featuring Dr. Benjamin Bowser discussing his book “After Mission Abandonment, Where Do We Go from Here?”
- Academic Senate Lecture Series (Second Lecture, 3-28-19): featuring Dr. Jerry Z. Muller, discussing his book, “The Uses and Misuses of Metrics in Higher Education”

VII. Awards

The University Awards Committee selected the following faculty members for the 2018/19 University awards:

- Distinguished Scholarly and Creative Achievement Award
 - Steven Mezyk, Chemistry and Biochemistry, CNSM
- Distinguished Faculty Teaching Award
 - Pei-Fang Hung, Speech Language Pathology, CHHS
- Early Career Excellence Award
 - Rachel Blaine, Family and Consumer Sciences, CHHS
- Distinguished Faculty Advising
 - Lora Stevens, Geological Sciences, CNSM
- Nicholas Perkins Hardeman Academic Leadership Award
 - Norbert Schürer, English, CLA
- Outstanding Professor Award
 - Ramin Esfandiari, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, COE
- Legacy Lecture

- None
- Outstanding Faculty Mentor for Student Engagement in Research, Scholarly and Creative Activity
 - Jason Schwans, Chemistry and Biochemistry, CNSM
- Impact Accomplishment of the Year in Research, Scholarly and Creative Activity
 - Jessica Pandya, Liberal Studies, CED

VIII. **Miscellaneous**

- Throughout the year 2018-19, one of the main items of discussion throughout campus, on the floor of the Academic Senate, on the Executive Committee, and in various councils and committees continued to be the **reform of the General Education program**. The year ended with an approved policy that was presented to the President and concurred by her.
- The **Academic Senate retreat on the topic of 'Preserving the Past, Creating the Future'** was attended by about 110 faculty, staff, students, and administrators. Data from the retreat was used to create the Beach 2030 Strategic Priorities document to be presented to President Conoley from the Academic Senate

IX. ***Pending Policies and Proposals Carried Forward to the 2018-19 Academic Senate***

- Executive Orders 1100 and 1110 from the CSU Chancellor's Office
- Policy on General Education & Campus Specific Graduation Requirements (AS-1060-18/CEPC)
- Proposed revision on Policy on Faculty Awards (AS-1067-18/FPPC)
- Proposed Resolution in Support of Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU) Resolution on Increased Funding for the CSU Electronic Core Collection (ECC)
- Proposed Policy on Online and Hybrid Instruction (AS-1077-19/FACT/EC)

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B. Executive Committee

I. Membership

The elected members of the 2018-19 Executive Committee of the Academic Senate were:

- Chair: Norbert Schürer, English, CLA
- Vice Chair: Jessica Pandya, Liberal Studies, CED
- Secretary: Jeff Jarvis, Music, COTA
- Member-at-Large: Nancy Meyer-Adams, Social Work, CHHS
- Member-at-Large: Chris Brazier, Chemistry and Biochemistry, CNSM
- Member-at-Large: Neil Hultgren, English, CLA
- Member-at-Large: Elizabeth Guzik, English, CLA

II. Nominations, Appointments, and Proposals

The Executive Committee approved the following nominations, appointments, and proposals:

- Jessica Pandya was nominated and approved as the EC representative for the search committee for AVP of PPFM
- ACEM had three openings, EC nominated and voted in DeWitt, Duerringer and Nakajima
- EC selected Shailesh Chandra to be on parking committee, no lecturer faculty volunteer
- EC voted on the faculty Community Service award nominees and selected Libby Gustin from a pool of applicants

III. Visits, Presentations, Reports, and Guidance

The following individuals and groups visited the Executive Committee to give presentations, offer reports, or request guidance:

- The chairs of the four Academic Senate councils gave their year-end reports to the Executive Committee.
- Brian Jersky (Provost) gave weekly reports to the Executive Committee.
- President Conoley visited the EC on 9-24-18 to discuss "Beach 2030"
- Min Yao and Shawna Dark visited EC to report on Technology infrastructure and needs at CSULB
- Dhushy Sathianathan and Susan Leigh reported on Enrollment and Scheduling problems created by the Optimizer
- Jared Ceja from 49'er shops reported on Day 1 Digital Access (D1DA)
- AVP Kerry Johnson reported on Fulfilling GVAR requirements under EO 1110
- DSS Director Carmen Varela and Associate Director Mary Nguyen reported on restructuring of DSS after long time leader D. Sanfilippo's retirement
- VP Michelle Cesca reported on a large gift and naming rights for the University Art Museum, EC voted and unanimously approved the name change
- Juan Benitez reported on Service Learning as the Director of CCE
- Bengt Allen reported on Technological changes at CSULB
- Donna Green reported on the online change of grade form forthcoming for CSULB

- AVP for Financial Management Tracey Richardson met with EC and presented her vision for the future of CSULB with emphasis on “service excellence”
- Robin Ames-Woodyard met with EC and discussed the processes and challenges of Parking Services including budget shortfalls
- Alan Colburn, FPPC Chair reported on listing factors course classification systems and SPOT evaluations
- Jeff Cook, Interim Associate Vice President for Strategic Communications reported on his combining of marketing and media relations as well as his vision for CSULB
- Interim Director Deborah Thien reported on University Honors Program
- VP and CIO Min Yao and AVP for Academic Technology Shawna Dark reported on accessibility issues for the campus
- WASC Liaison Sharlene Sayegh reported on General Education Program Learning Outcomes and Student Learning Outcomes
- Dr. Jason Wang, Director for Research Integrity and Compliance, ORSP reported on the Selection of Representatives for Institutional Review Board
- AVP Kirsty Fleming reported on SPOT evaluations

IV. Memoranda, Decisions, Concurrences, and Recommendations

IV. Discussion Topics

The Executive Committee discussed the following topics (among many others):

- EC discussed how the Scheduling “optimizer” program was not tested properly and caused chaos on campus
- EC discussed the Academic Senate Strategic Plan to be presented to President Conoley from Beach 2030

IV. Miscellaneous

- Members of the EC attended the CSULB Alumni Awards Banquet as guests of the Provost at the Academic Affairs table.