

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Minutes

Tuesday, October 31, 2023, 2:00 – 4:00 pm
Academic Senate Conference Room (AS 125)

Or on Zoom: <https://csulb.zoom.us/j/87997222094> (Meeting ID: 879 9722 2094)

P. Hung, N. Hultgren, R. Fischer, A. Nayak, C. Warren, B. Katz, M. Dyo, S. Kasem, N. Schürer, E. Klink, P. Soni, S. Collins, A. Russo, S. Apel, J. Klaus, J. Cormack, A. Kinsey

Additional Guest: D. Paskin

Absent: K. Scissum Gunn

1. Call to Order – 2:00pm
2. Approval of Agenda – Moved by NH, seconded and approved.
3. Approval of Minutes: Meetings of October 24, 2023 – Moved by EK, seconded and approved
4. Special Orders
 - 4.1. Report: Provost Karyn Scissum Gunn
 - KSG not able to attend, but she provided updates via a document shared with EC ([here](#)). Major points include: BSS inventory & action plan – deadline is tomorrow; Academic Senate Retreat – appreciates the open conversation and ideas shared at the retreat; GI 2025 Convening – shares comments and ideas from Chancellor Garcia; Faculty Matters – concerns have been raised about faculty cancelling classes or offering extra credit for students participating in Israel – Hamas Conflict. Will issue a missive clarifying terms upon which faculty members cannot cancel classes.
 - QUESTIONS:
 - NS feels like GI 2025 ignored the initial faculty report on equity gaps and the consensus that there are still equity gaps is not surprising.
 - PS shares background about the original impetus for GI 2025 and the connection to funding from the legislature.
 - Discussion ensues about rallies focusing on Israel – Hamas Conflict. Topics include: proper registration; safety requirements; hazards; responsible parties; educating students. JK says they work hard to work with student groups to work within the rules to find creative solutions (re: sound, location, timing, etc.). In order to reduce any feelings of bias, NS suggests including links to regulations in the Provost’s message to remind the campus community that all types

of events have specific guidelines that administrators and the campus must abide by.

- Brief discussion about CFA Bargaining & Potential Strike.

4.2. Report: AVP, Student Affairs Jeff Klaus

- Student Affairs raised \$2.9M (including \$1.5M for naming) for the Lauren Chaumers Beach Pantry.
- COVID numbers: 27 student, 5 staff, numbers trending down.
- Provides updates from the Career Development Center about jobs, internships, and “hot jobs” across the university with college breakdowns. JK notes that he can provide the numbers on a regular basis to EC.
- Long Beach “Gear Up” program received \$1.1 Million for this year, specific for the Norwalk district.

4.3. Report: VP Administration and Finance Scott Apel

- SA has no report today.

5. New Business

5.1. Setting the agenda for the Academic Senate meeting, November 9, 2023

- EC discusses the draft agenda for the next AS meeting. The public hearing for the RTP revision will be 3:30-4:30. New Business includes approval of a non-affiliated member on IRB board.
- EC discusses resolution – “In Favor of Free Faculty Choice in Assigning Course Materials.... Opposing Equitable Access Program (ETAP).” NS feels it is important for the AS to take a stand on this issue. Three faculty members must support a resolution for it to go forward. JC suggests referring to our current policy on course materials. Students can “opt out,” but faculty cannot opt out. For faculty to be able to use a “paper” copy of a book it must NOT be available digitally. PFH says Miles Nevin and Mitali Jain will be meeting with her Wednesday November 16, 9-10 am. JK states that ASI Senate unanimously approved this program. NH states that ASI may not have been notified that faculty feel this is a bad idea. SK states they only spoke to one faculty member on this subject. EC decides to place on the AS Agenda for November 30th.
- Policy on Establishment and Dissolution of Departments and Programs will go on next agenda.

5.2. Time Certain [3:00-3:30 pm] AB 928, The Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act 2021- [A Unified General Education \(GE\) Pathway for California Transfer Students](#).

Guest: Danny Paskin, GE Coordinator, Professor of Journalism and Public Relations

- DP is the vice-chair of a new CSU-wide GE Council that began meeting in this Fall. GE Directors and GE Coordinators are on it. NS notes that none of our statewide senators have heard about this group.
- DP reports on the unified GE pathway for California, and notes a key part of AB 928 - There needs to be a single pathway for transfer students from community colleges to either CSU's or UC's. However, there is uncertainty about first-time first-year students and their GE requirements. The law doesn't address that group of students. This has raised a lot of questions. Some CSU's are creating resolutions and sending them to the CO. DP has come to EC to see if CSULB should do something, a resolution? Something through senate? Something else?
- JC suggests GEGC investigate this to look at pros and cons of the two pathways. NS suggests waiting until ASCSU comes up with a recommendation. EK recommends waiting until the CO makes ruling. RF, NS, JC, & DP suggest engaging in some preliminary information gathering (perhaps by GEGC) about the practical consequences of either outcome. DP says that is feasible.
- EC decides to: 1) wait on feedback from November BOT meeting before considering any resolution or town hall; and 2) support GEGC investigating the pros and cons, and also invite one of our statewide senators to the next GEGC meeting on the 13th.

5.3. Draft Letter for President's Triennial Review

- PFH asks EC to review and approve a draft letter. NS has offered revisions to the draft. Discussion ensues about content of the letter from EC.

5.4. Academic Senate Retreat Debriefing

5.5. Concerns about the membership of [Advisory Council on Strategic Enrollment Management \(ACSEM\)](#)

5.6. Combined PS 11-02 and 92-09

6. Old Business

6.1. None

7. Announcements and Information

7.1. None

8. Reminders

8.1. Next Academic Senate Meeting: 11/09/2023, 2-4 pm

8.2. Public Hearing for RTP Policy Revision: 11/09/2023, 3:30-4:30 pm

9. Adjournment – 4:01pm