



**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LONG BEACH**  
Graduate Studies Advisory Committee (GSAC)

**MINUTES**

**Thursday, November 17, 2022**

**10:30am-12:00PM**

1. Meet with Candidate for Grad Center Director Position: Kim Scatton, M.Ed.
2. Call Meeting to Order – Chair, Dina Perrone, 11:18
3. Review and Approve Agenda  
DP motioned to amend agenda, adding announcement for Outstanding Graduate Award, Due 11/28. M/S/P.
4. Review and Approve [Minutes](#)  
M/S/P
5. Graduate Student Pulse (Diamond Byrd & Verena Mikhail)

Diamond and Verena shared feedback from student peers:

1. Not a lot of food options on campus on evenings and Saturdays
2. Lighting at night is insufficient
3. Parking is expensive
4. Appreciate library hours
  - a. Networking across cohorts is appreciated.
  - b. Would like longer hours during finals.
5. Food insecurity is on their radar: advocating for microwaves, expanding Every Table.
6. Making students more aware of resources (including student research funds).
  - a. <https://www.csulb.edu/office-of-research-and-economic-development/funds-for-students>
7. Resource centers are not in favor of moving to lower level of library.
  - a. N. Schurer concerned about faculty and AS not hearing about this.
  - b. Diamond Byrd: renovation and move has been halted because of pushback.
6. Recruitment Strategies, Sean Cochran of CIE, Director of International Enrollment Management.
  - a. BEACH 2030 hoping to expand enrollment by out of state and international students (non-resident students).
  - b. Align recruitment with department goals.
  - c. Current international students: 1187 students, 55% undergrad, computer science most represented. Also would like to increase economic diversity. 338 out of state students. 17% of these are entering grad programs.

d. Sean invited faculty to connect with him. Need to know more about faculty, department coordinators, enrollment goals.

e. V. Terzic: How can we improve recruitment in specific programs, like engineering?

Sean: Faculty engagement and branding is more important for recruiting.

f. C. Murdock. COLA and non-resident tuition are barriers. How can we overcome that?

Sean: NRTs; tuition even for out of state is low in comparison to other programs.

g. Sean distinguished scholarship vs vanity scholarships (\$40 to \$30 or \$20; LB has Beach Scholarships for current students, not recruitment scholarships; we may be more affordable than institutions offering vanity scholarships.

Also, TAships.)

h. M. Rose: How can we support applicants from places experiencing unrest. (Russia, etc.)

Sean: Intl students have to show they have a certain amount of money in their account. Possible app fee waivers. Goal for enrollment is campus wide.

## 7. Announcements

- November 14, - January 6, 2023: Winter 2023 Thesis Signature Page Submission Period
- November 14 – November 18: [International Education Week](#)
- Sally Casanova: Zoom information session for students on December 5<sup>th</sup>: info [here](#).
- Graduate Equity Fellowship
- Outstanding Graduate Award, Due 11/28

## 8. Good of the Order

## 9. Adjournment, 12:00pm.

Next GSAC meeting: Thursday, December 15, 2022, 10:30-12:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

V. Gray