EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING: Minutes

Tuesday, August 19, 2025, 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm
Academic Senate Conference Room (AS 125)
Or on Zoom: https://csulb.zoom.us/j/86796238597 (Meeting ID: 867 9623 8597)

N. Hultgren, B. Katz, C. Warren, P. Ayala, A. Nayak, B. Trimble, S. Asgari, N. Schürer, C. Scott-Hayward, S. Collins, C. Ryan, S. Apel, D. Green, P. Hung, K. Scissum Gunn, A. Kinsey

1. Call to Order at 2:01 pm
2. Approval of Agenda- moved by BK, seconded and approved
3. Approval of Minutes- moved by AN, seconded and approved
   3.1. Meeting of May 13, 2025
4. Introductions and Brief Overview- EC members introduce themselves after a brief overview of Exec from Chair Hultgren
5. Special Orders
   Report: Provost Karyn Scissum Gunn- KSG reports on reflections from the last academic year, looking forward to working with our new Interim President Jones. Academic affairs prospectus has been a focus during the summer. New Vice Chancellor, Junius Gonzalez. 3 topics; 1st year experience task force provided recommendations on how to move forward. This is a possible retreat topic. How to move the higher ed agenda, consortium degrees are an option. There are models in place for this already. 4+1 model is an idea with preliminary discussions happening. May work with Sac State on a 4+1 program, we only have an MA, Sac state has BA. 3rd Is the growing national conversation on 90-unit degrees, guidelines are being developed as these become more of a reality. Convocation is this Friday, and acting President Jones will be there to give remarks. SC asks why the search was a "failed" search. This is a confidential matter, Chair Hultgren states. GI2025 was discussed briefly in regards to a new strategic plan. BK asked about the new graduation initiative. Year of engagement was the transitional year. NS analyzed the faculty survey, which he said the CO was very collaborative with what it is that faculty want and need. The results were presented to BOT, consolidating the information to be included in the strategic plan forthcoming.
   5.1. Report: AVP, Enrollment Services Donna Green- not present, no report.
   5.2. Report: VP Scott Apel- SA presents on the budget, there was a budget cut (145 M) but smaller than expected impact, resulting in approximately a 2.2M deficit which will be handled at the administrative level. The California budget in the future is in question, and cause for concern. GI 2025 has not been funded for years. Our campus is doing better financially than most CSU's. construction on campus is looking good La Playa opening 2026. Parking lot construction is near completion and will be complete by Friday. The USU is fenced, the friendship steps has a ramp for accessibility. Interactive map shows the progress. Food is more spread across campus than before. Construction costs are not paid by campus, but by Enterprise funds (la playa) and Asi for the USU. CW asks about possible rides for those with disabilities. There are plans for this with a backup of hiring transportation if needed. NS asks about food options for the first few weeks.
6. New Business
   6.1. Review of policies ready for the Academic Senate floor NH presents policies to EC ready for Senate for selection to be on the AS Agenda.
   6.2. Setting the agenda for the Academic Senate Meeting of Thursday, August 28,

2025—EC moved (Nayak) and seconded to elect the replacement at large member at the 1st senate meeting on 8/28. EC decided to put the curriculum items on consent calendar. The CFA report will have a time certain so the President is not overwhelmed with questions. PFH suggests GWAR policy on agenda, C. Macaulay new CEPC chair to present. NS suggests the deadline to add classes policy. EC moves to continue with the modality of hybrid, moved (Katz) and seconded, vote passes. EC votes on draft agenda, agenda passes.

6.2.1. ACSEM Grad Advisor Member and Chair Member Election

6.3. Initial Communication regarding a request for an extension of Interim COTA Associate Dean Anthony Byrnes's appointment

6.4. [TIME CERTAIN 3:30 PM] Consultation on a Proposal for the Establishment of the Beach Institute of Community Engagement and Dialogue

Guests: Chris Fowler, Chief of Staff, Office of the President; Richard Marcus, Professor, Department of Global Studies; Dan O'Connor, Interim Dean, College of Liberal Arts- DO, RM, and CF present this proposal. This proposal addresses the problem of individual identities under attach for their identities, and is explained in the linked document. Pluralism was explained in detail. S. Asgari asks about consortium details. NS feels some parts of the proposal may be unrealistic and lack benchmarks. The goal of centralized infrastructure seems problematic for our campus culture as well, he feels. The faculty should also be from beyond the CLA.

7. Discussion and Review of Annual Reports – not discussed at this meeting.

7.1. Academic Senate Annual Report 24-25

7.2. Academic Appeals Committee Annual Report 24-25

7.3. DEIA CCC Annual Report 24-25

7.4. GSAC Annual Report 24-25

8. Announcements and Information

9. Reminders
    9.1. First Academic Senate Meeting of the Academic Year, Thursday, August 28, 2025, 2:00 to 4:00 pm in PSY-150
10. Adjournment- 4:02