EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING: Minutes

Tuesday, September 9, 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, J. Santhiveeran, B. Trimble, S. Asgari, N. Schürer, , S. Collins, C. Ryan, S. Apel, D. Green, P. Hung, K. Scissum Gunn, A. Kinsey, J. Forbes

- 1. Call to Order- 2:00
- 2. Approval of Agenda- moved by BK, seconded and approved.
- 3. Approval of Minutes- moved by BK, seconded and approved.
 - 3.1. Meeting Minutes of September 2, 2025
- 4. Special Orders
 - 4.1. Report: Provost Karyn Scissum Gunn- KSG reports no major reports of issues with instructional ability currently. Dr. Rashida Crutchfield professor of Social Work recently received an award by the CSU for Outstanding Faculty Service.. 1st time student re-enrollment, 88.6% from f24. Continuing year rates are also excellent. These excellent numbers are due to our faculty. 2nd annual Bienvenida is coming up. Year of Engagement report is being released now. How to support student success in a system wide manner. NS asks about the new BMAC flexplan, which is causing more work for faculty. KSG will share that. NH has concerns also, the roll out has been problematic. BK states it feels more like a legal threat than in the past. NS is concerned that Bienvenida event and the possibility of students and families feeling threated during the event. UPD will be present.
 - 4.2. Report: AVP, Enrollment Services Donna Green- students will have the opportunity to change their major online, through self-service, subject to approval by advisor. Brotman Hall is piloting a One Stop show for enrollment and financial aide questions. Post Bac graduation is now more automated, with 203 (out of 311) successfully auto-posted in the first trial this Summer. Basic Needs and the Multi-Service Center will be partnering to offer a mobile site screening students who may be experiencing homelessness to better access services. CW asks about the screening the students for homelessness, and how this will operate for better access to services. BT asks how to control applications to specific programs. Steven Salcido will assist BT with this request. NS asks about the PBAC graduation automation, does degree audit still exist, yes. AN asks about the change of major, DG states approval is needed. NH asked if the degree change could include minors, and the answer was Yes. Also, will less than desirable changes be audited or reviewed.
 - 4.3. Report: VP Scott Apel- reports on financial aid and cashier windows being together. Reimaging space usage is the impetus for this. All financial aid staff to be moved to the same area soon. This is a pilot program. Dental care for students coming through an agreement with a dental school. Currently working on legal issues. Benefits rates are being published, are going up. We have no control over this, rates are set by providers and CalPERS. Open enrollment ends on 10-10-25, Sept 25 benefits fair. NS asks if reimaging space refers to faculty, S Apel says each

college will decide, some colleges need more space for lecturer faculty. CW asks about pedestrian safety and cross walks and S Apel went over current efforts including safety guards, new railing, and crosswalk lights installed. Any problematic areas should be reported to his office.

5. Unfinished Business

- 5.1. Review the <u>Agenda</u> and Procedures for the Academic Senate Meeting of September 11, 2025- EC reviews the agenda, goes over the GWAR policy and how we will proceed. There will need to be a motion to accept the 35 lines that were moved and approved in spring of 25. NH explains the four linked documents on the senate agenda webpage. NH asks EC if anything needs to be added to this section. PFH asks about the Emeritus policy, and will we follow the same protocol, yes if EC discusses and approves this before the 2nd reading.
- 5.2. <u>CFA Academic Senate Resolution on the CSUB TPM Addendum</u> NH presents this updated document to EC. NS asks about the framing, and if CFA has resolved. He has procedural edits. This resolution may be put on the EC agenda next week for decision of when to put on AS agenda, possibly 9-25-25. This needs to be put forward by a voting Senator, NS will present if needed.

6. New Business

- 6.1. Parliamentarian plans- NS suggests co-parliamentarians; NS and BK. EC agrees, will be on next AS agenda.
- 6.2. Updates from the ASCSU Plenary- NS reports on first meeting. Most of the conversation involved the current political climate in the US, including ICE being at a job fair recently. AI continues to be an issue. NS feels the CO is not being realistic about AI.
 - 6.2.1. Query about Campus Legislative Liaison
 The ASCSU has a resolution to have a faculty legislative representative. NS suggested waiting for CSH is present for the discussion as this position might require expertise that would be hard to permanently fill.
- 6.3. Update and continued brainstorming about the Senate Retreat- NH asks EC about a retreat topic. The alumni center will be the retreat location. KSG suggests the application of AI in a learning environment with regards to critical thinking. Intellectual development with AI. Mindful AI is a suggestion. A preliminary introduction to AI, BT suggests. What can be agreed upon about AI? AI and learning? CW suggests using local experts rather than off campus. Debra Satterfield from COTA is an advisor on AI research club. KSG suggests Alexis Pavenick as a possible speaker. NS is concerned about possible speakers all being AI enthusiasts. He feels this would be problematic. Speakers will need to be both enthusiasts and those not in favor of. BK states he has been made to feel unsafe by some administrators and this may be problematic. SAS suggests reaching out to the CO for assistance at the retreat.
- 6.4. <u>Academic Continuity Planning Optional Syllabus Statement Draft</u> Pei-Fang Hung, Interim Vice Provost for Academic Programs
- 6.5. [3:30 pm Time Certain] <u>Financial Aid Update-</u> NN presents this update. S Apel asked about debt after graduation, it was reported on average 18-19k for an

undergraduate education.

Guest: Nicholas Novello, Director, Financial Aid and Scholarships, CSULB

- 7. Announcements and Information
 - 7.1 Update and continued brainstorming about the Senate Retreat
- 8. Reminders
 - 8.1. Second Academic Senate Meeting of the Academic Year, Thursday, September 11, 2025, 2:00 to 4:00 pm in PSY-150 and on zoom

9. Adjournment- 4:00 pm