

University Resources Council

Minutes

February 3, 2026 @ 1:00 pm in AS-119

Members in Attendance: Diane Hayashino, Ali Rezaei, Sharon Teng, Sam Vickovic (Secretary), Eileen Klink, Rene Trevino, Dave Whitney (Chair), Sara Moghtadernejad, Pitiporn Asvapathanagul (Vice-Chair), Ben Huff, Gabriel Gardner, Marianne Hata, Carrie Hernandez, Staci Freeman, Terie Bostic, Dee Dee Green, Claudia Plaza

Guests (2): Milton Ordonez, Heather Macias, Bre Evans-Santiago, Barbara Kim.

1:05 Call to order

1:05 Approval of the agenda

-Moved by Pitiporn seconded by Sharon

1:06 Presentation on the Departments, Functions and Resources administered by AVP of Financial Management, Milton Ordonez

-Overview: presented an overview of his department's structure and key initiatives. He highlighted the importance of managing financial resources effectively at CSU, noting that his team handles various financial functions including risk management, procurement, contracts, and student financial services. Milton emphasized the need for careful budget management and compliance with state and federal requirements. He also discussed ongoing efforts to improve technology infrastructure and streamline communication channels within the department.

Q & A:

-Dave asked for a summary of what financial management oversees overall. Answer: Control spending of money and ensuring we have right insurances

-Dave asked about insurance increasing and the consequences to the University. Answer: It is going up and providers are leaving California because it is so expensive. This includes liability

-Eileen asked where Milton is on the org chart and who he reports to. Answer: At the top and he reports to Scott Apel

-Pitiporn asked about a vendor not being able to fix water dispenser because they do not have insurance. Answer: Certain type of work has to go through union and has to go through union protocols and vendors and they might have changed or might not be under protocol anymore

1:27 Approval of the minutes of 12/2/25

-Moved by Renee seconded by Pitiporn

1:28 Update on GVAR cost estimates conducted by URC for Academic Senate, Dave.

Overview: Dave was chair of Academic Senate task force created within URC at the request for cost estimates from the Academic Senate concerning writing intensive course costs. 24-'25 Cost of upper division GVAR sections + Portfolio courses = \$3,236,100. Projected Costs if Min 18, Capped at 24 = \$3,098,100. Projected Costs if No Min, Capped at 20 Students = \$3,663,900. Projected Costs if No Min, Capped at 24 Students = \$3,215,400. Projected Costs if No Min, Capped at 25 Students = \$3,146,400.

1:42 First reading of the proposed Discontinuance of the MA in Education, Option in Math Education. Presented by Associate Dean Rebecca Bustamante or Associate Dean Bre Evans-Santiago.

-Overview: They have had no students in the MA in Education, Option in Math Education for multiple years and they tried to elevate it but they realized it would not work as a stand-alone MA.

-Moved by Ali seconded by Gabriel

Q & A:

-Dave asked if faculty in the department are ok with this. Answer: Yes, it has been a two-year process and they keeping a math certificate within CPACE, which is on hold until they get enrollment.

-Dave asked if there are other options for math education at CSULB. Answer: Yes, CNSM has one active for a year.

-Ali asked if the education program focuses on high school education. Answer: This one focused on elementary education

1:51 Second reading of the proposed Elevation for the MA in Education, Option in Dual Language Development to a standalone MA in Critical Multilingual Education. Presented by Dr. Heather Macias, Associate Professor in Education and Program Coordinator, Dual Language Development and Associate Dean Bre Evans-Santiago.

-Overview: Previous coordinator left. Program was updated based on needs of local districts and proliferation of DLI. Need for DLI leaders who are informed on good curriculum but also advocacy.

-All were in favor of the proposed Elevation for the MA in Education, Option in Dual Language Development to a standalone MA in Critical Multilingual Education

1:54 First reading of the proposed Discontinuance of the MA in Asian Studies, Japanese Language and Pedagogy option. Presented by Dr. Barbara Kim, Chair, Asian and Asian American Studies.

-Overview: Discontinuing because they restructured MA in 2015 with two options and then due to Covid 19 and professors retiring and an unsuccessful search they suspended admission and now there is not enough faculty to teach in the program. In addition, language education changed after the shutdown. The language faculty agree that they should discontinue the program.

-Moved by Pitiporn and seconded by Gabriel

Q & A:

-Diane asked how many inquiries they had about the program. Answer: Around 5 a year.

-Dave asked if there was any disagreement in department at all. Answer: A mix of it can't be done now but they are up against the 5 year deadline but they cannot offer it right now.

-Motion to waive first reading go straight to second: Eileen motioned Ali seconded

-All were in favor the discontinuance of the MA in Asian Studies, Japanese Language and Pedagogy option

2:03 Adjourn

