

ACADEMIC SENATE

Minutes

MEETING #8

Thursday, December 2, 2021, 2:00 – 4:00 pm

Zoom link: <https://csulb.zoom.us/j/97606370449>

1. CALL TO ORDER- 2:01 pm, NH began with the land acknowledgment.
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA- MSA as amended to change 6.1 to Karyn Scissum Gunn for President Conoley
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - 3.1 Academic Senate meeting of November 18, 2021- MSA
4. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS
 - 4.1 Executive Committee: Announcements- NH announces that the AS Retreat has been rescheduled for 3-17-22 at the Japanese Gardens with a topic of mental health and wellness. Invitations to follow in early 2022. Reminder about voting mentioned as well as one on zoom etiquette. Streamlining our conversation procedures presented again, including only three pro and con comments and using the chat to agree.
 - 4.2 Nominating Committee Nominations – NC presents the following nominations, voting commences, and they are approved by Senate.

COVID Equity Impact on Faculty Evaluations Task Force

 - Dr. Raven Pfister, Lecturer, College of Liberal Arts
 - Kierstin Stickney - Lecturer, College of Business
5. CONSENT CALENDAR
N/A
6. SPECIAL ORDERS
 - 6.1 Report from CSULB Provost Karyn Scissum Gunn TIME CERTAIN 2:10 PM – KSG reports on nearing the end of the semester. The BEACH is ranked #3 by the Social mobility index for advancing social mobility in the nation. We are #2 master’s level, #1 best value in the West by Washington monthly. COVID updates, last week we had very few cases reported. Student religious exemptions are steadily increasing. Currently 98% of in person students are vaccinated. When more students are in person, we expect those numbers to drop due to exemptions. 99.8% of faculty have completed the attestation process. Many represented staff categories, and those numbers vary across the categories. Chancellor Castro, who met with a medical consultant, spoke with University presidents about Omicron variant. The new variant appears to be highly transmissible. It is unclear if the current vaccines will be effective against the new variant. Vaccine modifications may be available once this variant is more widely understood. For spring 22, as related to instruction, 80% are planned FTF or hybrid, 20% online. Assuming safety levels remain as they are, the delivery mode planned must be adhered to as closely as possible.
 - 6.2 Report from CFA Co-President, Deborah Hamm- DH reports on the current continued bargaining, reminds us to keep putting on the pressure, and encourages involvement in Contract Action teams (CAT). Two parts of bargaining are occurring at the same time. Contact cgarridoortega@calfac.org to join a CAT team.
 - 6.3 Report from CSULB Senator to the Academic Senate of the CSU, Eileen Klink- EK presents the highlights of the September Plenary. Best budget since 1984 says Chancellor Castro. The CSU has requested nearly \$700M increase in funding. One-time funding request of \$1B for new construction put forth. AB 927: https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB927 and AB 928: https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billTextClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB928 signed by the Governor. AB 927 increases possibilities for CCC to give 4-year degrees. Could lead to the reorganization

of the “Master plan for higher education”. There is a need for CSU faculty participation in all stages of design and implementation. Need faculty reps for Faculty Discipline Review Groups (FDRG) and Course Identification processes (C-ID). Other news included discussions on Health and safety of faculty, staff and students. Changing modalities and on Equity Diversity and Inclusion on campuses.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7.1 Proposal for a Standalone Policy on Withdrawals (AS-1153-21/CEPC)—SECOND READING- resuming on line 146, new amendment put forth by JC, PS and DG. Moved and seconded, vote on amendment, yes=45 no=3, amendment passes. Back to top of policy on line 46, NH amendment, moved and seconded. Replace current wording with “an academic integrity violation”, vote on amendment, yes=46 no=3, amendment passes. Line 79, section 2.0 WE for Extenuating Circumstances. JC amendment 1, moved and seconded; replace wording with “acute medical or behavioral (mental) health conditions, vote, yes=46 no=4, amendment passes. JC amendment 2, add “Each case is reviewed on a case by case...Graduate studies” moved and seconded. Vote on amendment, yes=49 no=1. amendment passes. Vote on policy as a whole. yes=47 no=2 **Policy passes**

7.2 Proposed Revision of PS 08-11: Accessibility and Faculty Responsibility for the Selection of Instructional Materials (AS-1101-19/CEPC)—SECOND READING – Beginning with lines 11-26, no amendments, amendment to line 27, move “Preamble” to the beginning of the document, moved and seconded. Amendment passes by acclamation. Line 14 add “California”, approved by acclamation. Lines 12-28 no amendments. Lines 30-44, no amendments. Lines 46-5, no amendments. Line 1 amendment, add “to the University bookstore” moved and seconded. Ending here, will resume on January 27 meeting.

Guest: Mariza Hernandez, Assistant Director, Instructional Design and Accessibility

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Proposed draft Charge for a Task Force to Promote Faculty and Staff Basic Needs and Health—FIRST READING, TIME CERTAIN 3:45 PM

Guest: Dr. Kristina Lovato, Assistant Professor, School of Social Work- KL and DH presents the draft charge for a task force to support faculty and staff basic needs and health. Background is, in fall 2020, CFA had a faculty survey regarding basic needs. Spring 21, a basic needs initiative was established to better understand faculty & staff basic needs. Summer 21 obtained support from President Conoley to establish a task force on this. Fall 21 launched a series of workshops aimed at enhancing the mental, physical and economic well being of faculty and staff via the Faculty Center. The charge is shown to AS with suggestions solicited. AC moves to vote on supporting this by the Senate. Moved and seconded. yes=36 no=0 . senate supports the formation of this task force. Passed unanimously.

9. ADJOURNMENT – 4:03 pm

AS 12-2-21 Attendance

Adam Schwartz

Al Colburn

Alessandro Russo

Alicia Del Campo

Andrea Caban

Ann Kinsey -

Anthony Regina

antonia Garcia-orozco

Aparna Nayak

Becky Nash

bita ghafoori

Boualoy.Dayton

Brian Katz (BK)

Brooke Winder

Chailin.Cummings

Chloé Pascual

Chris Brazier

Christine Kang

Christopher Warren

Colleen Ryan

Courtney Stammler

Curtis Benett

Dan O'Connor

Danny Paskin

David Wallace

Debi Windle

Deborah.Hamm

Dina Perrone

Eileen Klink

Elizabeth Guzik

Ferdinand Arcinue

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Heather Macias

Henry O'Lawrence

Hiromi Masunaga

Jalal Torabzadeh

Jeet Joshee

Jeff Cook

Jeffrey Adair

Jeffrey.Pair

Jinny Rhee

Jody Cormack

Johannes Stosch

Jonathan O'Brien

Karen Quintiliani

Karen.Warner

Karyn Scissum Gunn
Kathryn Chew
Keith.Freesemann
Kerry Johnson
Kierstin.Stickney
Kirsty Fleming
Kirstyn Chun
Kris Zentgraf
Kristin Bonetati
Kristina.Lovato
Laura Gonzalez
Laurie Gatlin
lucy Huckabay
Margy Merryfield
Maria Lopez
Maria Organista
Mariza Hernandez
Mary Anne Rose
Mehrdad Aliasgari
Michael Solt
Mimi Nakajima
Min.Yao
Mischelle Van Brakle
Monica Lounsbery
Neil.Hultgren
Nellie.Wieland
Paul Sun
Paul.Scotton
Pei-Fang Hung
Perla.Ayala
Praveen soni
Praveen Shankar
Scott Apel
Sean.Smith
Shabnam Sodagari
Shelbi Felter
Shireen Pavri
Stephanie Hartzell
Steve.boyer
Suzanne Wechsler -
Ted Atkatz
Vasanthi Narayanaswami
Warren
William Mohr
Total 90