

## Minutes

### Curriculum and Educational Policies Council California State University, Long Beach

Meeting 5 of 2020-21  
Wednesday, October 28, 2020  
(Via Zoom)

*Members present:* Danny Paskin (Chair), Craig Macaulay (Vice Chair), Gary Griswold (Secretary), Richard Rosenberg, Jeff Bentley, Neil Hultgren, Panadda Marayong, Josh Chesler, Henry O'Lawrence, Babette Benken, Leilani Madrigal, Robert Moushon, Kelli Sanderson, Diane Hayashino, Tom Tredway, Laura Forrest, Perla Ayala, Caleb Jones, Tracy Gilmore, Jeet Joshee, Betsy Cooper, Donna Green, Pamela Lewis, Rene Trevino, Sandra Arevalo.

*Guests:* Lisa Star and Hung Nguyen, Department of Civil Engineering and Construction Engineering; Hamid Rahai, College of Engineering

*Chair Paskin called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.*

1. MSP to approve the agenda.
2. MSP to approve the minutes from October 14
3. A. Announcements: Paskin announced that he would let us know later whether or not we will need to hold an additional meeting November 18<sup>th</sup>
  - b. Hultgren: Academic Senate report: the Senate is looking at the Academic Honesty Policy and looking at the Ethnic Studies requirement as presented by the CO's Office. There is also a Senate Retreat tomorrow at 2:00 p.m.
4. New MS in Construction Management, Second Reading
  - a. Star, Nguyen, and Rahai addressed questions from the Council on the proposed assessment plan of the new MS.
  - b. MSP to approve and forward to the Academic Senate.
5. Revision of PS 84-06, Policy on Educational Leave, Second Reading, continued.
  - a. Paskin presented a revised version of a paragraph beginning at line 23. The new text was rewritten by Cormack, Green, and Paskin, to increase clarity and retains the same content.
  - b. MSP to approve with minor changes
  - c. Paskin presented alternative language to replace the paragraph starting at line 41, so that prior approval for taking courses at another campus would include undergraduate students. Discussion ensued.

- d. Paskin removed the proposed language as result of various problems the language might create.
  - e. MSP Line 24: replacing “should” with “may” pending approval of Cormack.
  - f. MSP to change line 28-29 to read “many student services are not available to a student on educational leave.”
  - g. Green requested a clarification of “in advance” on line 14:
  - h. MSP to change line 14 to read “in advance up to the last day of the semester prior to the leave semester” and to add after that sentence, “In some cases, requests submitted after the deadline will be accepted through the last day of the semester.”
  - i. MSP to approve the policy as revised to the Academic Senate.
6. Revision of PS 12-03, Policy on Final Course Grades, Grading Procedures, and Final Assessments, Second Reading.
- a. MSP to add on line 59 a heading reading, “1.1 Definitions.”
  - b. Discussion ensued on whether or not the definitions in lines 61 to 85 are adequate.
  - c. MSP to hold off on the definitions until next meeting so members can have a chance to consider the language.
  - d. Discussion ensued on including plus and minus grading. Key points:
    - 1. Most of the CSUs use plus and minus grading.
    - 2. Will faculty be required to use plus or minus grading
  - e. Paskin suggested Council members go back to their colleges and departments and solicit feedback for or next meeting. Should we have plus or minuses? Should such grading be optional to faculty or required? What should the GPAs be if we do adopt pluses and minuses?
  - f. Discussion moved to Section 2.0 “Administrative Grading Symbols”
  - g. MSP to table the second reading until next meeting.
7. The meeting was adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

***These minutes have not been approved. Respectfully submitted, Gary Griswold, Secretary.***