Present: D. Boschini, J. Fielder S. Frye, B. Hartsell, J. Kegley (Chair), H. McCown, J. Millar, C. Murphy, J. Zorn,

Absent: None

1. **CALL TO ORDER**- Chair Kegley called the meeting to order.

2. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INFORMATION**

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – June 2, 2015
   B. Hartsell moved to approve the minutes, H. McCown seconded the motion. The minutes of June 2, 2015 are approved as submitted.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
   J. Kegley requested that University Day Faculty-Staff Survey, Title IX Syllabus Statement, Exceptions Clause to Classroom Observations, and ASCSU Plenary Report be added as a discussion items. The agenda is approved as amended.

5. **CONTINUED ITEMS**
   - Update Log
   - Update on Searches
     - Dean of AVC-J. Zorn reported that Randy Schultz will serve as interim Dean of AVC. A new search will begin early in 2016.
     - Associate VP Academic Programs-Chair Kegley reported that the search is moving forward; campus visits are planned for November, 2015.

   In response to C. Murphy’s inquiry in regard the position of Associate Vice Provost, J. Zorn stated that the responsibilities of strategic planning and budget resource planning have been added to D. Schecter’s portfolio.

   - Meetings with President
     The next meeting is scheduled for September 15, 2015 (today) @ 11:30-12:30. Agenda Items include: Classroom Space and Enrollment, New IT Support, Faculty-Staff Survey University Day 2015, and Update of $1.7 million for Engineering

6. **PENDING ITEMS**-None

7. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**
   - Doctoral Program in Educational Leadership Proposal-This issue will be referred to the AAC, BPC, and FAC for review.
   - RCU Membership- This issue will be referred to the FAC.
   - Anthropology Concentration: Cultural Resource Management – This issue will be referred to the AAC and BPC for review.
   - 2016-17 Academic Calendar: Summer Session and Possible Intersession- This issue will be referred to the BPC.
• **Policy and Procedures for the Use of University Facilities** - This issue will be referred to the BPC. The referral will be forwarded to the AAC if academic issues are identified.

• **Ombudsperson Resolution** - Chair Kegley reported that the President’s office has recommended amendments to RES Ombudsman Handbook Language, RES 141519. This issue will remain in the agenda for September 29, 2015.

• **Exceptions Clause to Classroom Observations** - Chair Kegley reported that it has been recommended that an exceptions clause be discussed in regard to classroom observations; they are not relevant to some classes. Concerns include: 1) current policy is unclear; 2) implementation issues; 3) workload issues; 4) distinction between evaluation and observation; 5) definition of a classroom. As Chair of the FAC, B. Hartsell will request feedback from department chairs then report back to the EC.

• **Reinstatement of Winter Commencement** - This issue will be referred to the AS&SS requesting that they reevaluate the need of winter commencement. Also, to discuss the current policy on commencement. Include discussion on hooding by faculty.

• **Ed.D. Director Search** - In regard to K. Knutzen’s inquiry in regard to the Senate’s involvement with the Ed.D Director search, the table agreed that no action is necessary in regard to a search for program director.

• **Revising University Learning Outcomes** - Chair Kegley reported that the assessment coordinators have recommended that the number of University Learning Outcomes be reduced. She will recommend that they submit a proposal to faculty prior to presenting it to the Senate.

• **Expectations for Assigned Time** - Chair Kegley requested recommendations on how to proceed with the issue of assigned time. Issues and recommendations include: 1) broad discussion in regard to assigned time in order to have consistency and fairness across campus; 2) conversations need to happen prior to making a policy; 3) be cognizant of practices and policies at other CSU’s; 4) bad idea to have a written policy; 5) what constitutes a large class?; 6) fairness in allocation of funds; 7) evaluation of assigned time; 8) a large number of faculty with assigned time leaving few available to teach; 9) what is the framework?; 10) the reality that faculty will have to teach 12/12; and 11) future increase in faculty retirement. The FAC will request suggestions, concerns, and questions from faculty prior to facilitating a campus forum to discuss the issues. The FAC will then make its recommendations.

• **ASCSU Plenary Report** - C. Murphy provided highlights from the September, 2015 Plenary Report:
  - The CCC continues to move forward with development of the 15 pilot baccalaureate degree programs. Senators voiced concern during the plenary about Community Colleges offering Bachelor’s degrees. The worry was that the CCs are ignoring the opinions of the CSU.
  - The bad campus climate at Chico, San Bernardino, and San Luis Obispo came up in Chair Filling’s report, and in comments by various senators from the relevant campuses. That climate is characterized by lack of shared governance.
  - The issue came up about whether presidential searches should be open or closed. He argued that if they were open many viable candidates would not apply.
  - The Financial Sustainability report may appear at the November meeting. There were comments from senators that the term “sustainability” was a decoy, and excused the state from granting adequate support to the CSU.
Chair Filling convinced the leadership of the Ethnic Studies Task force to extend the deadline for comment on the draft report. Campuses should share their opinions with the task force committee before September 30, 2015.

Background Searches must now be conducted on all new employees of the CSU. This measure has been introduced since early August. It was criticized as it may slow down sudden hires.

- **Faculty-Staff Survey University Day 2015** - B. Hartsell reported that the data received from the University Day faculty-staff survey has been frameworked for discussion. The big issues include employee income, employee workload, employee development, campus communication, information technology, and physical resources.

- **Title IX Syllabus Statement** - Chair Kegley reported that C. Catota has submitted a recommended syllabus statement regarding student disclosures. J. Millar added that there is nothing in Title IX that requires faculty to include the language in their syllabi; it is a suggestion. A referral will be issued to the AAC requesting that they revisit the policy regarding mandatory elements of the syllabus.

8. **AGENDA ITEMS FOR September 17, 2015 SENATE MEETING** (Time Certain 11:15 A.M.)

- **Announcements**
  - Introductions
    - Jenny Zorn, Provost and VPAA
    - Thom Davis, VP Business & Administrative Services
  - Senate Orientation

- **Consent**
  - Standing Committee Ratification

- **Old Business**

- **New Business**

9. **COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**