CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD
ACADEMIC SENATE
Minutes
Thursday, April 26, 2018
Health Center Conference Room
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.


Visitors: F. Gorham, C. Hu, K. LaGue, M. Cook, M. Danforth, P. Newberry,

1. Call to Order
   D. Boschini called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of Minutes
   B. Hartsell moved to approve Minutes of April 12, 2018. Approved.

3. Announcements and Information (Here’s where sentences really help clarify meaning.)
   Voting for University Council ends April 27, and Call for Interest - Standing Committees - ends April 30
   A Call for Interest is open for UPRC (1) – an Academic Senate Faculty Representative to be appointed by the Executive Committee.
   Senators are invited to meet Trustee Adam Day Friday, April 27, 12:00-1:30 in the Aera Room in the Dezember Center. Lunch will be provided.
   Executive Committee meetings are scheduled for May 1 (before and after the Special Senate Meeting), and May 8.
   Senate meetings are scheduled for May 10. Session One will be for the outgoing Senate, and Session Two will be for the incoming Senate, which will select chairs of Standing Committees.

Canvas Pilot – Charlene Hu, Time Certain 10:10 – 10:15 C. Hu and F. Gorham introduced the pilot launch of Canvas, a Learning Management System (LMS) that will replace Blackboard. They are seeking faculty members to participate in the pilot. Primary reasons for the change are that students in area high schools and community colleges are already familiar with Canvas, it works on mobile devices, and it will cost less than Blackboard.
Kristina LaGue (FHAC Chair), Time Certain 10:15 – 10:25, reported the following recommendations for faculty awards:

- Millie Ablin Excellence in Teaching Award – Dr. Jean West
- Faculty Leadership and Service Award – Dr. Aaron Hegde
- Outstanding Lecturer Award – Matt Woodman
- Promising New Faculty Award – Dr. Michael Burroughs
- Scholarship and Creativity Award – Dr. Joanna Jacobsen

D. Boschini thanked Dr. LaGue and the FHAC for reviewing 53 applications. The motion to endorse the recommendations was approved.

Outgoing Faculty Director of GECCo, Paul Newberry, Time Certain 10:25-10:35 (Handout), Reported that there are six new capstone courses and a seventh under review. He said Faculty Professional Development includes workshops, meetings on specific topics and social gatherings to share ideas and lend support. The GE Pilot Programs are Just-in-Time-Teaching (Fall 2017), Supplemental Instruction (Spring 2018) and Teaching Innovation Grant Pilot Projects (Spring 2018). GE Course Recertification is done on a staggered course review and recertification schedule. The GE Assessment for 2017-2018 describes outcomes on six areas of focus. GE Campus Outreach and GE Outreach Beyond the Campus actively seeks involvement of the campus members and “feeder” campuses to facilitate ease of transfer and collaboration. D. Boschini thanked Dr. Newberry and the GECCo group.

DLC Report – Bob Carlisle, Time Certain 10:35 – 10:45  Dr. Carlisle reported that the DLC was created to address quality assurance for on-line courses. Other DLC things need to be addressed, such as academic integrity online and the transition from Quality Matters (QM) to Quality On-Line Teaching (QOLT). DLC offers a summer institute for faculty to work on a class and get certification.

4. **Approval of Agenda**  B. Hartsell moved to defer committee reports until after Resolutions. Approved.

5. **ASCSU Report**  No report other than to say CSU Senators will be absent two weeks. The CO announced that there will not be a tuition increase. ASCSU will hold a special meeting in July.

6. **Provost Report**  No report.

7. **Resolutions**  – (Time Certain 10:45 a.m.)
a. New Business
RES 171826 – Fairness in Evaluation in Faculty Review, Handbook Changes (FAC) (First Reading) * M. Rush introduced. The proposed revision reflects the common practice. Feedback to FAC included consideration of a formal mechanism to have fairness concerns addressed. FAC will prepare for a Second Reading. There may be a referral for next year.

b. Old Business
RES 171825 - New BPA Academic Certificate (BPC) (Second Reading) A. Hegde presented on behalf of BPC. Discussion ensued about the title of the resolution and the title on the diploma. Vernon Harper indicated that Academic Programs will take care of diploma, transcript, etc, and BPA will follow up on it. B. Hartsell moved to approve as amended, BPA Professional Development Certificate. All in favor as amended. Passed.

RES 171818 - Instructor Initiated Drop Policy (AAC, AS&SS) (Second Reading) * M. Slaughter spoke on behalf of the committees. The policy proposes that students in both face-to-face and online courses may be dropped from the class and/or the wait-list if: 1) They do not attend the first day of class or 2) They do not complete work for the first week of class. Students on the wait list will be added provided they do the work in the first week of class. Discussion ensued about the meaning of a week, implications for textbook purchase, access to Blackboard courses with password protection, financial aid, and the process for notifying students. Before the discussion resolved those issues, D. Boschini called Time Certain, Open Forum.

8. Open Forum Items (Time Certain 11:15 a.m.)
J. Tarjan suggested most important topics for President-designate Zelezny Special Meeting are the capital campaign and to recover faculty ranks. B. Hartsell suggested informing Dr. Zelezny about our quest for diversity since it doesn’t reflect the current community. M. Martinez stated that only 1-2% of Ph.Ds. in Political Science are Latin, which makes it difficult to achieve diversity. D. Boschini asked that individuals address concerns as follows: J. Tarjan on Capital Campaign,
M. Rush on Faculty Hiring
B. Hartsell and M. Martinez on Diversity
A. Hegde cover Budget Transparency
D. Boschini on Shared Governance; budget as a vantage point
D. Boschini suggested looking at whether RES 1718218 Instructor Initiated Drop Policy can be addressed fully, this year. Look at making a decision at the May 10 meeting.

Since RES 171815 passed, there have been discussions how the maximum units policy affects graduate students. There is a difference in interpretation on how teacher credentials will be held to the maximum units policy. D. Boschini, V. Harper, V. Kohli, S. Schmidt, and J. Dirkse are looking at resolution of the issues so the right people are discussing and it doesn’t have to return to Senate

10. Adjournment

* Changes to be made to University Handbook