



Academic Senate: Executive Committee

Minutes

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2026

10:00 A.M. – 11:30 AM

Location: BPA Conference Room 134 and virtual.

Zoom Link: <https://csub.zoom.us/j/88091986667?pwd=GOSakqXvulfaZihtNxTsAFBYwWqAJs.1&jst=1>

Members: M. Danforth (Chair), D. Solano (Vice-Chair), D. Thien (Provost), C. Lam (ASCSU Senator), N. Michieka (ASCSU Senator), T. Tsantsoulas (AAC Chair; excused), L. Kirstein (AS&SS Chair), A. Grombly (BPC Chair), Z. Zenko (FAC Chair), and K. Van-Grinsven (Senate Analyst; virtual).

1. Call to Order

A. Chair Danforth called the meeting to order at 10:09 am due to technological issues.

2. Announcements and Information

A. Request from ASI for faculty service on the annual Budget Review Board ([EO 0369](#))

i. Link: calstate.policystat.com/policy/14568488/latest/

a. ASI Budget Review Board Discussion: ASI asked for a faculty representative to serve on the annual Budget Review Board. Chair Danforth will serve, but if the meeting is scheduled at a time Chair Danforth cannot attend, another EC representative will be identified.

B. Call for Agenda Items for CSUB Advising Council Meeting

i. Discussion: Chair Danforth has requested that there be an item on the Advising Council meeting agenda for a single form for onboarding a faculty advisor for access to runner connect, OnBase, etc. as opposed to multiple forms. Discussion ensued regarding the email that was sent out from SASSEM about OnBase training, but there was confusion about why the training is needed. Chair Danforth will raise the issue at the Advising Council meeting. Discussion ensued regarding the history of faculty advising and the continued lack of clearly defined roles for faculty and staff advisors. Further discussion focused on possible approaches to addressing the issue. The Provost will reach out to FTLC about leading a faculty advisors group.

C. Spring 2026 Guests (deferred)

i. EC Guests

a. President attending EC on March 24

ii. Senate Guests

a. J. Watkins – Center for Accessibility and Essential Needs

b. K. De Young – Facilities

iii. Annual Reports to Senate

a. FTLC, GECCo, GRaSP, UPRC, URC (?), etc.

D. Prioritize New and Continued items (deferred)

E. Follow-up on feedback submissions re Campus Lockdown

- i. This item has been added to the Senate agenda for Thursday. See minutes below under “5. Continued Items, B. Provost Report” for continued discussion.
3. Approval of Agenda (Time Certain: 10:05 AM)
- A. A. Grombly motioned to approve the agenda; seconded by Z. Zenko. Agenda approved.
4. Approval of Minutes (deferred)
- A. January 20, 2026 (handout)
 - B. January 27, 2026 (handout)
 - C. February 3, 2026 (handout)
5. Continued Items (Time Certain: 10:30 AM)
- A. AS Referral Log (see BOX folder; handout)
 - i. AAC (T. Tsantsoulas) (deferred)
 - a. Report and memo for inclusion in Senate agenda submitted via email to Senate Office.
 - ii. AS&SS (L. Kirstein)
 - a. AS&SS has three resolutions ready for Senate on Thursday.
 - iii. BPC (A. Grombly)
 - a. BPC has been working on referrals 2025-2026 10 Proposal for New Minor in Medical Spanish, and 2025-2026 04 Time Blocks.
 - iv. FAC (Z. Zenko)
 - a. FAC has incorporated feedback for RES 252610, RES 252620, and RES 252621 which are ready for second reading. Some discussion ensued regarding RES 252620, and the suggestion was made for more information on the expenses with paper SOClS. Z. Zenko requested that RES 252620 be held for second reading until more feedback can be reviewed.
 - B. Provost Report (D. Thien) (Time Certain: 10:45 AM)
 - i. Updates/ Status: (deferred)
 - a. Academic Administrator Searches
 - b. Academic Administrator Reviews
 - ii. Provost Thien reported on the additional items:
 - i. Work Group to Examine Emergency Response Protocols
 - (i) The President sent out a campuswide email the previous day regarding this work group, which the Provost will lead (refer to handout on approved agenda). Key issues include: communication & alerts, campus access (police presence & traffic), lockdown procedures & training, infrastructure (e.g., doors not locking, NSME-specific issues), vulnerable populations (Children’s Center, guests on campus, etc.), and post-incident best practices. EC made recommendations for additional representatives to be included in the work group, such as representatives from Staff Forum and CFA. Chair Danforth verbally shared the issues submitted via the feedback form and will email them to EC.
 - (ii) Fog Delay: ASI asked whether CSUB has a fog delay policy. There is no current policy, although there may have been a historical one. Chair Danforth suggested also developing a general inclement weather policy.
 - ii. Shafter Research Center & Agronomy Pilot Program: The Provost noted that faculty are in the exploration phase of an agronomy program pilot proposal and suggested inviting the faculty developing the pilot program, Dr. A. Hegde and Dr. I. Francis, to speak at Senate. EC

acknowledged that concerns were raised by some faculty during the GFM; however, the consensus was that the faculty who had expressed concerns were satisfied following the discussion at GFM. Senator Michieka noted three areas for consideration: the land acquisition, the agronomy pilot program, and ongoing budgetary concerns. Chair Danforth will review past practices for pilot programs to confirm that the current process is appropriate.

- C. Reports and Recommendations (deferred)
 - i. Criteria for Proposing New Schools Taskforce (handout)
 - ii. Scholarship and Creative Activities Task Force (handout)
 - D. RES 252624 - Codifying Procedures for Statements of the Senate and Votes of No Confidence – EC (handout)
 - i. EC discussed the draft of RES 252624. The Provost recommended a robust discussion prior to proposing constitutional changes. There was discussion about splitting the proposal into two resolutions. EC decided to delay bringing the resolution to full Senate pending further discussion and revision.
 - E. Calendar Committee – A. Grombly, BPC Chair (deferred)
 - F. ASI Resolution: SB 104 ASI and Shared Governance (handout) (HOLD; waiting for ASI’s revisions) (deferred)
6. New Discussion Items (Time Certain: 11:00 AM)
- A. Proposed RES 252625 - Term for ASCSU Lecturer Electorate Representative – EC (handout)
 - i. EC discussed the draft of RES 252625. Concerns were raised that the lecturer electorate representative had already been elected to a two-year term and that the lecturer senator might be viewed as not being treated equally under the proposed change. It was also suggested that the resolution could include an implementation date of 2027. EC decided to delay bringing the resolution to full Senate.
 - B. Elections and Appointments- D. Solano (deferred)
 - i. Exceptional Service Award: Committee work in progress
 - ii. Call for nominations open for ASCSU Senator.
 - iii. Develop formal procedures for appointments for the CSU Fong and Fetterly Award (handout)
 - C. Items from Advising Council (deferred)
 - i. OnBase vs. Runner Connect
 - ii. CSU-wide Degree Audit and Planner Tool – AS&SS and (?)
 - a. uAchieve (software the Chancellor’s Office has chosen)
 - iii. Faculty advising holds
 - D. Development of a Senate Recording Retention Policy for recordings that are intended to develop Minutes (deferred)
 - E. ASI Requests – AS&SS and AAC (?) (handout) (deferred)
 - i. Office Hours
 - ii. Reporting Grades
 - F. Handbook and Bylaws Project – EC (handout) (deferred)
 - G. Updates to Handbook Appendices B and C to address inconsistencies – EC (handout) (deferred)
 - H. Updates to the Distributed Learning Committee (DLC) Membership and Description – AAC, AS&SS and FAC (?) (handout) (deferred)
 - I. Proposed updates to 308.2.4 Emeriti Privileges and Public Announcement (handout) (deferred)
 - J. Dean’s List policy – AAC (?) (handout) (deferred)
 - K. Concerns about CHRS Page Up (deferred)
 - L. *TENATIVE* Possible New Items: (deferred)
 - i. RES opposing discontinuance of Federal MSI
 - ii. Lecturer Title Change

7. Agenda Items for Senate

Academic Senate Meeting – Spring 2026

Thursday, February 12, 2026

Agenda

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Location: Dezimmer Leadership and Development Center, Room 409-411

Zoom Link: <https://csub.zoom.us/j/84669370314?pwd=gmLoywwMxQR4k7G0hUhv25vs0N8xr8.1>

Senate Members: Chair M. Danforth, Vice-Chair D. Solano, CSU Senator C. Lam, CSU Senator N. Michieka, AH Senator T. Tsantsoulas, AH Senator M. Naser, BPA Senator D. Wu, BPA Senator S. Sarma, NSME Senator L. Kirstein, NSME Senator A. Stokes, SSE Senator Z. Zenko, SSE Senator S. Roberts (alt. for Spring 2026 K. Henderson), AV Senator K. Holloway, At-Large Senator H. He, At-Large Senator A. Grombly, At-Large Senator A. Hays, At-Large Senator A. Lauer, At-Large Senator T. Salisbury, At-Large Senator R. Dugan, Lecturer Electorate Senator D. Horn, Senator H. Gonzalez – Staff Representative, Senator E. Reed – ASI Executive Vice-President, VP AA & Provost D. Thien, Senator J. Dong – Dean Representative, and Senate Analyst K. Van Grinsven.

Guests: President Harper

- I. Call to Order
 - a. Tejon Tribal Land Acknowledgement
 - b. [Robert's Rules of Order](#)
 - c. [Interruption Statement](#)
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - a. January 29, 2026 (handout)
- III. Announcements and Information
 - a. President's Report – V. Harper (**Time Certain: 10:10 am**)
 - b. *Amendment* Campus Lockdown Debrief – UPD Chief and CIO designee (**Time Certain: 10:20 am**)
 - c. Elections and Appointments – D. Solano (handout)
 - d. Upcoming Events: (handouts)
 - i. February 20 – Committee on Professional Responsibility Town Hall
 1. 1-2 pm; Humanities 1107 and virtual
 - ii. March 16 – Spring Budget Open Forum
 1. 2-3 pm; Student Union MPR and virtual
 - iii. April 8 – President's Open Forum
 1. 9 am; Student Union MPR
- IV. Approval of Agenda (**Time Certain: 10:05 am**)
- V. Reports

- a. ASI Report – Senator Reed (handout)
- b. Provost’s Report – D. Thien **(Time Certain: 10:30 am)**
- c. ASCSU Report – Senators Lam and Michieka (deferred?)
- d. Staff Report – Senator Gonzalez (handout)
- e. Committee Reports:
 - i. Executive Committee – Vice-Chair Solano (handout)
 - ii. Standing Committees:
 - 1. Academic Affairs Committee (AAC) – Senator Tsantsoulas (handout)
 - a. Memo from AAC, Referral 2025-2026 16 Catalog Language Inconsistency with Title 5
 - 2. Academic Support and Student Services Committee (AS&SS) – Senator Kirstein (handout)
 - 3. Budget and Planning Committee (BPC) – Senator Grombly (handout)
 - 4. Faculty Affairs Committee (FAC) – Senator Zenko (handout)
- f. CFA Report – T. Salisbury, CFA Bakersfield

VI. Resolutions **(Time Certain: 10:35 am)**

- a. Consent Agenda:
- b. Old Business:
 - i. RES 252610 – Unit RTP and PTR Composition- Handbook Change – FAC (handout)
 - ii. ~~RES 252620 – Transitioning to Online SOGIs-Handbook Change – FAC (handout)*Removed per FAC*~~
 - iii. RES 252621 – Department Chair Terms-Handbook Change – FAC (handout)
 - iv. RES 252622 – Academic Advising Structure Is an Academic Endeavor – AAC and AS&SS (handout)
- c. New Business:
 - i. ~~RES 252625 – Term for ASCSU Lecturer Electorate Representative – EC (handout)*Removed as result of EC discussion*~~
 - ii. RES 252626 – AS&SS Membership-Bylaws Change – AS&SS (handout)
 - iii. RES 252627– Policy on Use of Informational Banner Space in Canvas – AAC and AS&SS (handout)

VII. Open Forum **(Time Certain: 11:15 AM)**

VIII. Adjournment

8. Adjournment

- A. Chair Danforth adjourned the meeting at 11:30 am.