



## Academic Senate: Executive Committee

MINUTES – Extra Meeting

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2026

10:00 A.M. – 11:30 AM

**Location:** BPA Conference Room 134 and virtual.

**Zoom Link:** <https://csub.zoom.us/j/85981842316?pwd=M2QqHBI2e0S3BPLhSFGMavtTVfDYbA.1>

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

**Guest:** President Harper (virtual).

### 1. Call to Order

A. Chair Danforth called the meeting to order at 10:03 am.

### 2. Announcements and Information

#### A. President Harper (**Time Certain: 11:00 am**)

- i. President Harper met with EC to discuss a forthcoming ESPN.com article concerning previously discussed issues within Athletics. President Harper also reported that the athletics audit is nearing completion. EC recommended that formal communication be issued to the campus regarding this matter.

#### B. Spring 2026 Guests

- i. EC Guests
  - a. President attending EC on March 24
- ii. Senate Guests
  - a. March 12 – D. Wilson, Nursing
    - i. Chair Danforth informed EC of the request from D. Wilson regarding the Nursing program. The program is impacted and Nursing must inform the Academic Senate of this status at the March 12 Senate meeting. Officially approved meeting minutes must then be submitted to the Chancellor’s Office as documentation that the impaction status was formally communicated. It was confirmed that D. Wilson would attend Senate on March 12 with a time certain of 10:20 am.
  - b. March 26 – D. Cantrell, Enrollment report
  - c. April 30 – Spring Reports
    - i. FTLC, GECCo, UPRC, URC (if needed)

- ii. Written report as well as oral (?)
- d. May 7 – Senate Organizational Meeting
  - i. Faculty Award recommendations from FHAC
- e. Early Fall 2026
  - i. GRaSP, FAR (oral reports/presentations)
- f. **Unscheduled:**
  - i. J. Watkins – Center for Accessibility and Essential Needs
  - ii. K. De Young – Facilities
  - iii. Committee on Professional Responsibility (CPR)
  - iv. WSCUC Logistics – E. Adams (*schedule for when to come to Senate*)

3. **Approval of Agenda (Time Certain: 10:05 AM)**

- A. L. Kirstein motioned to approve the agenda; seconded by N. Michieka. Agenda approved.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

- A. February 24, 2026 (deferred)

5. **Continued Items (Time Certain: 10:10 am)**

- A. AS Referral Log (see BOX folder; handout) (deferred)
  - i. AAC (T. Tsantsoulas)
  - ii. AS&SS (L. Kirstein)
  - iii. BPC (A. Grombly)
  - iv. FAC (Z. Zenko)
- B. Provost Report (D. Thien) (deferred)
  - i. Updates/ Status:
    - a. Academic Administrator Searches
    - b. Academic Administrator Reviews
  - ii. Additional Items
- C. Reports and Recommendations (deferred)
  - i. Criteria for Proposing New Schools Taskforce (handout)
    - a. Briefly discussed by EC that this would be an item that will need to be deferred to 2026-2027.
- D. RES 252618 Special Review Committee for Anthropology – Revision (handout)
  - i. This resolution was not signed by the President and was sent back to the Senate. Chair Danforth reviewed the history of resolutions returned by the President after Senate approval. The resolution will retain the same number, be marked as revised, and include a notation identifying the changes made. EC discussed the revisions to the resolution in response to the President’s memorandum. The resolution will be included in the March 12 Senate agenda.
- E. RES 252624 - Codifying Procedures for Statements of the Senate and Votes of No Confidence – EC (HOLD; draft in progress)

- i. Chair Danforth asked whether this language should instead be incorporated into the bylaws, as the bylaws address procedural matters rather than structural ones. After discussion, EC agreed that the bylaws are the appropriate location. The current draft prepared by Senator Zenko was reviewed, and feedback was provided. Senator Zenko will bring a revised draft to the next meeting.
  - F. Development of a Senate Recording Retention Policy for recordings that are intended to develop Minutes – EC (HOLD; draft in progress)
  - G. Calendar Committee – A. Grombly, BPC Chair (deferred)
  - H. ASCSU Lecturer Electorate Representative term (HOLD for Fall)
  - I. Policies on approval of Course Coding Changes (CS Numbers) (HOLD; pending data)
  - J. Faculty advising and CSUB Advising Council (HOLD)
  - K. ASI Resolution: SB 104 ASI and Shared Governance (HOLD; pending ASI’s revisions)
6. New Discussion Items (Time Certain: 11:00 am)
- A. Elections and Appointments- D. Solano
    - i. Exceptional Service Awards: Committee work in progress
      - a. D. Solano reported that the Exceptional Service Award Committee will send their recommendations to Chair Danforth. Some discussion ensued regarding inviting the recipients to Senate on March 12. Chair Danforth would like to confirm with Provost Thien at the next EC meeting on March 10.
    - ii. Election In Progress: At-large Senators
      - a. Election to determine the at-large senators will close today, Tuesday, March 3 at 5 pm. The college calls for elected positions will be distributed by the colleges later this week.
    - iii. Develop formal procedures for appointments for the CSU Fong and Fetterly Award (HOLD; pending FHAC discussion)
  - B. Handbook and Bylaws Project – EC (handout) (tabled)
    - i. Composition of Handbook and Bylaw Summer Working Group
    - ii. Expected timeframe of project
    - iii. Chair Danforth briefly introduced this item. More discussion will be needed; tabled.
  - C. Proposed updates to 308.2.4 Emeriti Privileges and Public Announcement (handout)
    - i. EC decided that no handbook change was necessary and that the matter could be addressed by contacting ITS to ensure that an email distribution list is maintained for emeriti faculty.
  - D. Concerns about CHRS Page Up
    - i. C. Lam and N. Michieka confirmed that this is an ASCSU issue since it is systemwide and can be removed from EC business at this time.
  - E. ATI 5-year plan (handout)
    - i. This is an information item. Referral 2025-2026 45 was sent to AS&SS, and the plan was included as an attachment. D. Solano confirmed that no further action is needed by the Senate. Chair Danforth provided feedback to C. Diniz via email regarding the 5-year plan that may be applicable in relation to accreditation. Any additional feedback can be sent to Chair Danforth to share with the ATI Steering Committee.

F. Faculty Legislative Liaison (handout) (deferred)

G. State Legislation (tabled)

i. [AB-2693](#) Independent Doctoral Programs

a. C. Lam remarked that this state legislation is important because it is similar to AB-2694. AB-2693 would allow CSUs to offer doctoral programs where the UCs do not offer doctoral programs in those geographical areas and AB-2694 would allow community colleges to offer bachelor's degrees. There is significant concern that AB-2693 is a gateway to allow for AB-2694 to pass. Chair Danforth confirmed this is an item of concern at the CSU Senate Chair level as well. ASCSU Senators, C. Lam and N. Michieka will be leaving for plenary this week and will provide more updates and report on these items when they are back.

ii. [AB-2606](#) Oil and Gas Demonstration Zones

a. C. Lam reported that the language in this bill will change in the next few months, and it is not of concern currently.

iii. [AB-2301](#) Community colleges: Baccalaureate Degree in Nursing Pilot Program

H. Staff Representative on Senate (handout) (deferred)

I. Summer Retreat agenda and logistics

i. Date selected after the incoming subcommittee chairs are elected at the Organizational Meeting on May 7

a. EC briefly discussed the scheduling of the Summer Senate Retreat and how the election for subcommittee chairs will take place at or just before the Senate Organizational Meeting on May 7. Some discussion ensued regarding the Standing Committee chairs call for interest and election procedures and process.

ii. Agenda Items: (deferred)

a. Carry-over business

b. Interfolio

7. Agenda Items for Senate (deferred)

8. Adjournment

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