

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD
ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES-APPROVED
Thursday, January 16, 2014
Health Center Conference Room
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

MEMBERS: D. Boschini, S. Campagna-Pinto, S. Coley, D. Dodd, J. Emery, A. Gebauer, K. Hartlep, A. Hegde, J. Kegley, V. Kohli, H. McCown, M. Moe, C. Murphy, R. Negrini, H. Nieblas, R. Provencio, M. Rush, R. Schultz, P. Smith, J. Talamantes, J. Tarjan. K. Ziegler

ABSENT: J. Millar, C. Petit,

VISITORS: D. Schecter, J. Dirkse, M. Danforth, R. Schultz, M. Suess

1. **Call to Order 10:30 a.m.**- Meeting called to order by Chair Kegley.
2. **Approval of Minutes** –November 21, 2013
Motion/Second/Approved: Senators Gebauer and Rush moved to approve the minutes. The minutes from November 21, 2013 are approved.
3. **Announcements and Information-**
 - o Chair Kegley welcomed Karen Ziegler, Bruce Hartsell, and David Schecter to the Academic Senate.
 - o Chair Kegley expressed appreciation to the GE Implementation Committee (GEIC) for their hard work over the winter break and encouraged the Senate to attend the upcoming “Theme Brainstorming” sessions.
 - o The School of Arts and Humanities and the Public History Institute will kick off their year-long celebration of “The Grapes of Wrath” on February 7, 2014 at the Fox Theatre. Details are posted on the CSUB website.
 - o The Kegley Institute of Ethics with several co-sponsors will present a special program featuring David “Mas” Masumoto on January 29, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the Student Union.
 - o The Graduate Student Center is hosting an open house on February 28, 2014 from 6:00-8:00 p.m.; students will be able to complete applications onsite.
4. **Approval of Agenda**
Motion/Second/Approved: Senators Hartlep and Hartsell moved to approve the minutes. The agenda from January 16, 2014 is approved.
5. **ASCSU Report (A. Gebauer C. Murphy)** –The next ASCSU meeting is scheduled for January 23-24, 2014.
6. **Provost’s Report (S. Coley)**-Provost Coley expressed appreciation to the faculty for their participation in the Q2S forum as well as the outstanding work that the GEIC has done; she encouraged continued engagement.

At a recent Cabinet meeting President Mitchell stated that the CSU system is planning to request a budget increase beyond what Governor Brown has said he is going to give. In a recent meeting with the Governor, President Mitchell reiterated the need to support continued enrollment growth of the CSU system; he also encouraged the Governor to consider an appointment from the central valley of a CSU Trustee. Chair Kegley added that the Governor recognized that CSU faculty salaries trail behind, but made no commitment.

7. Committee Reports and Requests

- a. **Academic Affairs Committee**-Senator Talamantes reported that at their last meeting the AAC discussed 120 Unit Cap and the Engineering Program as well as catalog revisions for academic policies in relation to Q2S.
- b. **Academic Support & Student Services Committee** –Senator Tarjan reported that on January 9, 2014 the committee discussed Handbook revisions; suggestions from the committee were summarized.
- c. **Budget & Planning Committee**-Senator Hegde reported that discussion on the four- year calendar continues.
- d. **Faculty Affairs Committee**- Senator Hartlep reported that met in December, 2013 to discuss Performance Review of Faculty.
- e. **Executive Committee**-Vice Chair Negrini reported at its last meeting the committee discussed handbook revisions with an immediate action to create the framework; content and major revisions will come following the Q2S conversion; a referral was sent to AS&SS. A referral was sent to FAC asking them to look at the issue of current grading schedule; the current grading schedule puts pressure on faculty to grade too quickly. There have been increasing complaints from students about faculty giving exams early or not on the day scheduled. Also, many classes are not meeting for the full time allotted; the move toward online and hybrid courses makes it difficult to enforce. The issue of accountability of class time will be brought to the attention of the DCLC. A referral will be sent to the FAC asking them to look at the issue of professional responsibility. Provost Coley added that there are also concerns in regards to students having three exams on the same day.
- f. **ASI Report**- H. Nieblas reported that the Week of Welcome for students was a success. A topic of discussion for January 24, 2014 will be the possible increase in CSSA fees.
- g. **Rumor and Gossip Control**-Chair Kegley reported that CSU Pomona will begin the Q2S conversion a year behind CSUB and that CSU LA, who is on our schedule has not progressed as far as we have.

8. Resolutions - (Time Certain 10:45 A.M.)

- a. Consent Agenda-None
- b. Old Business: None
- c. New Business:
 - **Performance Review of Faculty RES 1314045 (FAC) (First Reading)**-Senator Hartsell introduced the resolution encouraging the Senate to focus on the rationale; the committee concluded that there are very important differences across the disciplines that the policy has to respect. Comments and suggestions from the floor were provided to the FAC. The first reading will be continued at the next meeting of the Academic Senate on January 30, 2014.

9. Open Forum Items (Time Certain 11:15 a.m.)-None

c. New Business continued:

- **Performance Review of Faculty RES 1314045 (continued)**- Comments and suggestions from the floor were provided to the FAC. The first reading will be continued at the January 30, 2014 meeting of the Academic Senate.

10. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 11:30 am.