

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD
ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES-APPROVED
Thursday, October 24, 2013
Health Center Conference Room
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

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

ABSENT: C. Murphy, C. Petit, R. Schultz

VISITORS: None

1. **Call to Order -10:30 a.m.**- Meeting called to order by Chair Kegley.

2. **Approval of Minutes** –October 10, 2013

Motion/Second/Approved: Senators Gebauer and Hartlep moved to approve the minutes. The minutes from October 10, 2013 are approved.

3. **Announcements and Information**

Constitutional Amendment-Chair Kegley announced that the Constitutional amendment to include staff on the Academic Senate passed by a 2/3 faculty vote. The announcement will be issued to staff.

Adopt an Area- On behalf of the Campus Beautification Committee, Chair Kegley urged faculty and staff to put on their gloves and adopt an area on campus to keep clean and free of trash.

4. **Approval of Agenda**

Chair Kegley announced that there are two items on the consent agenda. Senator Tarjan moved to remove Engineering and the 120/180 Unit Cap from the consent agenda and place it under new business.

Motion/Second/Approved: The agenda is approved as amended.

5. **ASCSU Report (A. Gebauer C. Murphy)**- None

6. **Provost's Report (S. Coley)**-In the Provost's absence, alternate C. Kemnitz announced that the Department Chair Leadership Council is meeting to go over Q2S plans on October 25, 2013; all faculty are invited to meet on November 1, 2013 to discuss the same plans.

7. **Committee Reports and Requests**

a. **Academic Affairs Committee (J. Talamantes)**-Senator Talamantes reported that at its last meeting the committee discussed Name Change for the Department of Chemistry as well as Engineering and the 120/180 Unit Cap.

b. **Budget & Planning Committee (A. Hegde)**-Senator Hegde reported that the committee discussed Name Change for the Department of Chemistry at its last meeting.

c. **Faculty Affairs Committee (R. Schultz)**-In the absence of Senator Shultz, Senator Hartlep reported that the committee discussed the Search Committee Composition and RTP.

- d. **Executive Committee (R. Negrini)**-Vice Chair Negrini reported that at its last meeting the EC discussed elections for GE Implementation Committee; the electronic voting system has been updated so we can hold more than one election at a time. The committee agreed to archive discussions that are currently in the Q2S folder on First Class in order to initiate new discussion. The issue of who is in charge of converting the Liberal Studies program as well as the other interdisciplinary programs was discussed; Chair Kegley added that she recently met with Dean Knutzen and Stanley Clark...they are in the process of working out a plan for how it will be handled.
- e. **ASI Report**-H. Nieblas reported that that ASI will not be meeting on November 1, 2013; the Board will be attending the Central Valley Conference at Fresno State University. ASI is working on a policy so the conversion process for the six campuses is less bumpy; once complete it will be presented to the Senate. The ASI Board is interested in meeting with the Senate to have a discussion on how to collaborate this year; Chair Kegley added that the Senate is open to a joint meeting.

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

a. **Consent Agenda-**

- **Name Change Department of Chemistry (AAC/BPA) RES 1314040**
Consent Item Approved

b. **Old Business**

c. **New Business:**

- **Engineering and the 120/180 Unit Cap (AAC) RES 1314041-**
Senator Talamantes moved the resolution and provided background information regarding minimum requirements and GE. Chair Kegley opened the floor for discussion and added that there has been extensive discussion regarding this issue among the State-wide Chairs. Senator Boschini added that there is a requirement for a number of clinical hours for the Board of Registered Nursing to approve our program and they are accredited by the Commission of Collegiate Nursing Educations; both bodies have course requirements that we have to include part of the challenge is that many of courses they are required to include are taught outside of the department; they cannot control the number of units that other departments assign to their courses; whatever the GE package ends up being is going to affect the number of courses and hours they can do in their major...60 of 180 units depend on the GE package. Senator Tarjan introduced a substitute resolution stating it is more appropriate for the Senate to urge the Chancellor to respect the judgment of departmental faculty experts in determining whether it is advisable for engineering and comparable undergraduate degree programs to exceed 120 semester units; he also requested that Provost Coley's name be struck from the distribution list and the Council of Senate Chairs be added.

Motion/Failed: A motion was forwarded and seconded to accept the substitute resolution. The motion failed with 12 opposed.

Senator Tarjan stated that he feels that it is inappropriate for the Senate to meddle in the internal affairs of another senate; the original resolution is inappropriate. Senator Gebauer added that this has been on the agenda of the State-wide AAC; the committee deliberated and decided not to do anything about the issue; here we have an opportunity to be proactive.

Senator Gebauer moved to strike "put on the agenda and replace it with "to reconsider", senator Boschini seconds the motion. Chair Kegley opened the floor for discussion

Motion/Passed: Senator Negrini moved to amend the amendment and add "for reconsideration" under resolved, Senator Gebauer seconds the motion. The motion passed.

Senator Tarjan moved to strike “State-wide” and replace it with ASCSU”. There are no objections.

Motion/Withdrawn: Senator Boschini moved to add “Nursing and other programs” in a third bullet under resolved. Motion was withdrawn.

Motion/Passed: Senator Gebauer moved to add a second resolved that reads “that the Academic Senate request that Nursing and other programs requiring external accreditation also be considered. Senator Boschini seconds the motion.

Motion/Failed: Senator Gebauer moved to add a third resolve that reads “accredited programs not be required to dilute the general education experience of the students to meet an arbitrary unit cap”. Senator Tarjan seconds the motion. The motion failed.

Call/Passed: Chair Kegley called the question. The resolution has passed with amendments.

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

New Business Continued:

- **Revised Policy on the Formation and Modification of Academic Departments (EC) RES 1314039 (First Reading)-**

Motion/Passed: Senator Gebauer moved to waive the first reading. Senator Negrini seconds the motion. The motion passed.

Chair Kegley opened the floor for discussion.

Call/Passed: Chair Kegley called the question. The resolution has passed.

10. **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 11:23 a.m.