

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD  
ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES-APPROVED  
Thursday, March 13, 2014  
Health Center Conference Room  
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

**MEMBERS:** D. Boschini, S. Campagna-Pinto, S. Coley (ALT), D. Dodd, J. Emery, A. Gebauer, K. Hartlep, B. Hartsell, A. Hegde, J. Kegley, H. McCown, J. Millar, M. Moe, R. Negrini, H. Nieblas (ALT), C. Petit, P. Smith, J. Talamantes, J. Tarjan, K. Ziegler

**ABSENT:** C. Murphy, R. Provencio, M. Rush,

**VISITORS:** D. Schecter, T. Boone, K. O'Bannon, E. Case, V. Kohli, M. Danforth

1. **Call to Order-10:00 a.m.** -Meeting called to order by Chair Kegley

2. **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes from March 11, 2014 were not available.

3. **Approval of Agenda-**

Senator Hedge moved to place Academic Calendar 2016-17 immediately following General Education Themes. Senator Moe moved to place all reports at the bottom of the agenda.

**Motion/Second/Approved:** Motion made by Senator Moe and seconded by Senator Gebauer to approve the agenda as amended. The revised agenda was approved.

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

a. **Old Business:**

- **General Education Themes RES 1314050 (EC) (First Reading Continued)**

Chair Kegley opened the floor for discussion.

**Motion/Second/Passed:** Motion made by Senator Tarjan and seconded by Senator Hegde to move to second reading. The motion passed with one abstention.

**Motion/Second/Passed:** Motion made by Senator Hegde and seconded by Senator Tarjan to add "economic" to the exploration under the heading Quality of Life. Motion passed with one abstention.

**Motion/Failed:** Motion made by Senator Dodd to change the heading "Quality of Life" to Well Being". Motion failed. In the Provost's absence, C. Kemnitz indicated that the titles of the general categories and descriptions can be changed at a later date by GECCo.

**Motion/Second/Passed:** Motion made by Senator Gebauer and seconded by Senator Hartsell to revise the first resolved to read "that the Academic Senate approve the following general initial themes for further refinement by GECCo prior to adoption by the campus for the new general education program beginning in fall semester 2016". Motion passed with 2 abstentions.

**Motion/Second/Passed:** Motion made by Senator Hartlep and seconded by Senator Hartsell to add "for example" to the beginning of the second sentence under each of the headings. Motion passed with 4 abstentions.

**Motion/Second/Failed:** For clarity, Senator Campagna-Pinto motion and seconded by Senator Negrini to change all of the headings; Quality of Life to “Self and World”, Revolutionary Ideas and Innovations to “Ideas and Innovations”, and Social and Environmental Justice to “Justice and Human Rights”. Motion failed.

**Motion/Second/Passed:** Motion made by Senator Gebauer and seconded by Senator Moe to amend the second resolved to read “that the GEIC/GECCo will be charged to issue a call to faculty interested in developing learning outcomes for these themes prior to final approval of the themes and acceptance of course proposals”. Motion passed.

C. Kemnitz asked for further clarification on changing the title of the themes. Senator Tarjan stated that the GECCo has been charged with managing and refining the themes. Senator McCown added that appeals can be made. Senator Negrini believes that the themes and their catalog descriptions should come back the Senate for final approval.

**Called/Passed:** Chair Kegley calls the question. The resolution on General Education Themes is approved with one abstention.

**Motion/Second/Passed:** Motion made by Senator Tarjan and seconded by Senator Hartsell to move to a 10 minutes Committee of the Whole to discuss and get a sense of the Senate in regard to course requirements for themes and foundational skills reinforcement.

Old Business continues following the resolution on Academic Calendar.

**b. New Business:**

- **Academic Calendar 2016-17 RES 1314051 (BPC) (First Reading)**

Senator Hegde introduced the resolution stating that the BPC believes that twelve weeks is required during the summer to facilitate academic learning. Also, a proper summer session should be a priority over any intersession. In response to Senator Hartsell's inquiry about the assumption that an intersession is necessary, Senator Hedge stated that there is a need for remedial courses. Chair Kegley added that it also allows students to have the opportunity to participate in travel abroad programs. There was lengthy discussion on start and end dates. Comments and suggestions were provided to the BPC.

**Old Business Continued :**

- **Performance Review of Faculty RES 1314045 (FAC) (First Reading Continued)**

To allow for informative discussion on this issue, the first reading will continue at the Senate meeting scheduled for April 10, 2014 as the first item for discussion under Resolutions. Discussion to begin with Section 305.4.2.6.

**5. Open Forum Items (Time Certain 11:15 a.m.)**

The Ag Career Fair is today (March 13, 2014) from 1:30-5:30 p.m. in the Multipurpose room with many companies represented along with numerous vendors and displays.

V. Kohli expressed appreciation to the Senate for their hard work and a job well done on approving the GE packet and themes.

**6. Adjournment**

**Motion/Second/Passed:** Motion made by Senator Negrini and seconded by Senator Moe to adjourn. Motion approved. The meeting adjourned at 11:18.