

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD
ACADEMIC SENATE
MINUTES-APPROVED
Thursday, January 28, 2016
Health Center Conference Room
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

MEMBERS: D. Anderson-Facile, D. Boschini, D. Dodd, J. Fielder, S. Frye, B. Hartsell, D. Jackson, A. Jacobsen, J. Kegley, K. Knutzen, M. Kwon, H. McCown, J. Millar, E. Montoya, BJ Moore, C. Murphy, J. Paschal, S. Raczkowski, S. Schmidt, M. Slaughter, D. Wilson, D. Zhou, J. Zorn

ABSENT: None

VISITORS: D. Schecter, V. Kohli, K. O'Bannon, F. Gorham, J. Tarjan, A. Hegde, S. Bacon

1. **Call to Order**-Meeting called to order by Chair Kegley
2. **Approval of Minutes** – January 14, 2016
Motion/Second/Approved: Senators Fiedler and Hartsell moved to approve the minutes. The minutes from January 14, 2016 are approved.
3. **Announcements and Information**
 - **Steven Filling-Chair ASCSU**-Chair Filling provided a presentation on shared governance stating that a shared decision making process optimizes our ability to produce value. His PowerPoint will be distributed to the Senate.
4. **Approval of Agenda**
Motion/Second/Approved: Senators Fielder and Hartsell moved to approve the agenda. The agenda is approved.
5. **ASCSU Report**-None
6. **Provost's Report** (J. Zorn)-Provost Zorn expressed appreciation to ASI President, M. Kwon for his vision and making a difference for the students.
7. **Committee Reports and Requests-**
(Minutes from AAC, AS&SS, BPC and FAC are posted on the Academic Senate Webpage)
 - a. **Executive Committee (D. Boschini)**-Senator Boschini reported on the following:
 - a. The EC is discussing the issue of online instruction; information is being gathered to issue referrals to standing committees.
 - b. Unexpected inclusion of benefits in grant funding has been discussed with President Mitchell; progress is being made.
 - c. Funds are being reimbursed to faculty as the result of implementation of the Indirect Policy.
8. **Resolutions - (Time Certain 10:45 A.M.)**
 - a. **Consent Agenda**-None
 - b. **Old Business**: None
 - **Adoption of New SOCI Instrument and Policies/Procedures, RES 151606 (EC) (Second Reading)**-Chair Kegley opened the floor for discussion. Concerns and comments include: 1) the instrument includes several double-barrel questions; 2) question 7 regarding instructor availability is vague; 3) regarding question 9, many assignments are designed to gauge rather than increase understanding; 4) the word "in-depth" in question number 4 may be considered as being judgmental; 5) questions such as "would you recommend this course", "fairness of the course" and "would you recommend this instructor" are no longer

included in the instrument; 6) open ended comments give more information; 7) concern about gender bias; 7) there is no standard response time for instructors; 8) how will the data will actually be shared; and 9) who are the broad results available to?

J. Tarjan reported that the Instrument has been tested with many students.

Discussion continued following open forum.

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

Senator Kwon announced that screening of "Hunting Ground" will be held on January 28, 2016 at 5:30 in the MPR. He presented a video on preventing sexual assault.

New Business Continued:

Adoption of New SOCI Instrument and Policies/Procedures, RES 151606 (EC) (Second Reading)

Senator Moore spoke in favor of the resolution stating that there have been no objections to using the tool as it is. Senator Fiedler spoke for the instrument stating that while there are people who give unreasonable evaluations, they are exceptional.

Motion/Passed: Motion to extend time 10 minutes passed.

It was recommended that the EC distribute the SOCI Task force recommendations. Also, consider referring the issue to all standing committees.

Second reading will continue at the meeting scheduled for February 11, 2016.

10. **Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 11:34 am.