

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

MEMBERS: D. Boschini, S. Campagna-Pinto (ALT), S. Coley, D. Dodd, J. Fielder, K. Hartlep, B. Hartsell, A. Hegde, K. Holloway, A. Houtman (ALT), A. Jacobsen, J. Kegley, H. McCown, E. Montoya, BJ Moore, C. Murphy (ALT), J. Paschal, S. Raczkowski, P. Smith (ALT), J. Tarjan, D. Wilson

ABSENT: S. Frye, D. Stotler,

VISITORS: D. Schechter, C. Kemnitz, T. Felter, D. Whetton, K. Flachmann, K. Grappendorf, V. Kohli, K. Krishnan, S. Clark, J. Dirkse, K. Knutzen

1. **Call to Order**-Meeting called to order by Chair Kegley.
2. **Approval of Minutes** – October 16, 2014
Motion/Second/Approved: Senators Fielder and Hartsell moved to approve the minutes. The minutes from October 16, 2014 are approved.
3. **Announcements and Information**
Chair Kegley expressed appreciation to Provost Coley for her service and contributions to CSUB as she furthers her career as the President of California State Polytechnic University, Pomona. Provost Coley thanked the Senate “for always doing the right things for the right reasons: for the students”.
4. **Approval of Agenda**
Motion/Second/Approved: Motion was made to move Resolutions ahead of Committee Reports. The agenda is approved as amended.
5. **Resolutions - (Time Certain 10:30 A.M.)**
 - a. **Consent Agenda**-None
 - b. **Old Business:**
 - **Midterm Assessment Policy for Undergraduate Students RES 141504 (AS&SS) (Second Reading)**
Chair Kegley summarized the responses to Senate questions from October 16, 2014 in regard to midterm assessment as submitted by the AS&SS. Senator Tarjan added that this is not a mandatory system; it allows faculty to reports on students who are not attending or are in danger of failing courses. In response to Senator Fielder’s inquiry in regard to the mechanism for defending student privacy, V. Kohli stated that the same rules that currently apply to at-risk students extends to all students. Provost Coley added that it would be important to add an understanding of the ways in which the University reports to the Student Handbook so that students are informed.

Called/Passed: Chair Kegley calls the question. The resolution on Midterm Assessment Policy for Undergraduate Students passed.
 - c. **New Business:**
 - **Academic Calendar Summer 2015-Spring 2016 RES 141507(BPC) (First Reading)**-Senator Fielder introduced the resolution stating that the BPC still has concerns that the summer '16 break is so short.

Motion/Second/Passed: Motion by Senator Hartsell and seconded to waive the first reading. Motion passed.

Called/Passed: Chair Kegley calls the question. The resolution on Academic Calendar Summer 2015-Spring 2016 passed.

Chair Kegley informed the Senate that the following resolutions come from the Curricular Conversion Committee (CCC) which has been operating under the Q2S as the Academic Affairs and Budget and Planning Committees of the Senate; in some cases there has been consultation with the BPC.

- **New Concentrations for the BS in Economics RES 141506 (CCC) (First Reading)**-Senator Moore introduced the resolution stating that the 11 concentrations already exist and were developed for various degree programs within the School of Business and Public Administration; all of them fall below 36 semester units.

Motion/Second/Passed: Motion by Senator Fiedler and seconded by Senator Hartsell to waive the first reading. Motion passed.

Chair Kegley opened the floor for discussion.

Called/Passed: Chair Kegley calls the question. The resolution on New Concentrations for the BS in Economics passed.

- **Academic Transformation in Kinesiology RES 141510 (CCC/BPC) (First Reading)**- Senator Moore introduced the resolution stating that the Department of Physical Education and Kinesiology has taken the Q2S opportunity to totally transform their program to accommodate community needs; it is a culmination of activities and feedback over the last several years.

Motion/Second/Passed: Motion by Senator Fiedler and seconded by Senator Hartsell to waive the first reading. Motion passed.

Senator Moe stated that there are numerous errors within the documents on SharePoint and the documents submitted to the Senate do not match the Curriculum Transformation Summary. Senator Moore indicated that some of the materials presented require minor changes as a result in changes of how courses are numbered and the proposals being reviewed by the GECCo. K. Grappendorf added that the proposal as submitted to the Senate is current; change of Area B will also be reflected in the Catalog.

Called/Passed: Chair Kegley calls the question. The resolution on Academic Transformation in Kinesiology passed.

- **Pilot Program for MS in Applied Nutrition RES 141509 (CCC/BPC) (First Reading)**-Senator Moore introduced the resolution stating this is a request for an online pilot program funded through a grant from the CSU Commission. Senator Fielder spoke in favor of the program stating he is impressed with the quality of the program and added the BPC found no serious impact.

Motion/Second/Failed: Motion by Senator Meyers and seconded by Senator Hartsell to waive the first reading. Motion failed.

Concerns of the Senate include: 1) vague admission and prerequisite requirements; 2) impacted high demand science courses; 3) generic needs assessment; 4) lack of qualified faculty at CSUB; 5) program is heavily science oriented.

Senator Moore stated that this pilot program was initially developed in response to a call from the Commission on Extended Universities to look at expanding offerings offered to a wider audience that just those students on our campus. K. Grappendorf added that the needs of the local community drove the direction of the proposal; not just the students at CSUB. Provost Coley indicated that this program is geared to continuing professionals; we have to balance reasonable expectations and quality of students along with the pipeline of current students.

- **Academic Certificates in Philosophy RES 141511 (CCC) (First Reading)**- Senator Moore introduced the resolution stating Philosophy would like to offer these three certificates as options to students who wish to gain depth in these areas in addition to their major and minor work.

Motion/Second/Passed: Motion by Senator Fiedler and seconded by Senator Hartsell to waive the first reading. Motion passed.

In response to Senator Tarjan's inquiry, C. Meyers stated that the certificates are open to all students; they have to be housed somewhere; the department becomes the "home". J. Tarjan recommended that the second line of the resolved be revised to read as Certificates in the Department of Philosophy". C. Myers added that the motivation of the certificates is that they matter to professional groups. C. Kemnitz added that they do not show up on transcripts.

Called/Passed: Chair Kegley calls the question. The resolution on Academic Certificates in Philosophy passed.

- **English Stretch Composition Program RES 141513 (CCC) (First Reading)**- Senator Moore introduced the resolution stating this has to do with a change in how we approach remedial programs for English; in the past it has been a three course sequence; the Department proposes to combine the material into two courses combining remedial.

Motion/Second/Passed: Motion by Senator Fiedler and seconded by Senator Hartsell to waive the first reading. Motion passed.

Senator Moore indicated that there are purposely no numbers attached to the courses because they are going to change. C. Kemnitz added that what is presented here is the curriculum itself; the numbers will follow. K. Flachmann added the point of the stretch is to stretch the reading, writing, and research goals over a year rather than chopping them up in to three segments; the courses would be taught by lecturers. Senator Fiedler spoke in favor of the resolution stating that there is a need to have developmental courses.

Called/Passed: Chair Kegley calls the question. The resolution on English Stretch Composition Program passed.

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

New Business Continued:

- **Changes in Emphases in Political Science RES 141508 (CCC) (First Reading)**- Senator Moore introduced the resolution stating that Political Science is changing the emphasis of how they present options for their students.

Motion/Second/Passed: Motion by Senator Fiedler and seconded by Senator Hartsell to waive the first reading. Motion passed.

Chair Kegley opened the floor for discussion.

Called/Passed: Chair Kegley calls the question. The resolution on Changes in Emphases in Political Science passed.

Motion/Passed: Motion by Senator Fiedler to extend time for six minutes, Motion passed.

- **Developmental Mathematics Program RES 141512 (CCC) (First Reading)**-Senator Moore introduced the resolution stating that this is a developmental program that has across University implications. It was challenging for the CCC to grasp as it depends on entry level mathematics exam scores. Points to consider: 1) the baseline within the CSU and what the campuses can adjust; the Department of Mathematics is proposing changes in the levels at which students have to take certain courses; 2) in the Mathematics transformation, the degree proposal involved moving the balance of their courses from five units to four units. What is being proposed is that students with a lower score than previous be moved in to one track; it also allows students to complete the developmental program in one year.

10. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 11:36