

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD
ACADEMIC SENATE
MINUTES-APPROVED
Thursday, April 21, 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, H. McCown, J. Millar, E. Montoya, BJ Moore, C. Murphy, J. Paschal, S. Raczkowski, S. Schmidt, M. Slaughter (ALT), D. Wilson, D. Zhou (ALT), J. Zorn

ABSENT: M. Kwon

VISITORS: V. Harper, K. Krishnan, D. Schecter, S. Bacon, E. Ramirez

1. **Call to Order**-Meeting called to order by Chair Kegley.
2. **Approval of Minutes** – March 10, 2016
Motion/Second/Approved: Senators Fielder and Hartsell moved to approve the minutes. The minutes from March 10, 2016 are approved.
3. **Announcements and Information**
 - Chancellor White will be visiting campus April 28-29, 2016; an open forum for faculty, staff, and students will be held in Student Housing East, Multipurpose Room on April 29 from 10:30-11:30.
 - Chair Kegley introduced and welcomed Vernon Harper, Associate Vice President of Academic Programs.
 - **Rebecca Larson-Faculty Awards** -On behalf of the Faculty Honors and Awards Committee (FHAC) R. Larson announced the committee's recommendations for the 2016-17 faculty awards as follows:

Millie Ablin Outstanding Professor: Anne Duran
Faculty Leadership and Service Award: Joe Fiedler
Faculty Scholarship and Creative Activity Award: Brandon Pratt

Senators Hartsell and Moore moved to endorse the recommendations by acclamation. The recommendations were approved.R. Larson added that 18 faculty members have been nominated for Emeritus status.
 - **Ashley Scott-Housing**-A. Scott, Assistant Director of Housing provided information on conference services and student housing. Guest housing will be available beginning August 1, 2016. She encouraged faculty to tour the facilities. A detailed flyer with pricing will be emailed to Senators.
4. **Approval of Agenda**
Motion/Second/Approved: Senators Moore and Fiedler moved to approve the agenda. The agenda is approved.
5. **ASCSU Report**-None
6. **Provost's Report** (J. Zorn)-Provost Zorn reported the following:
 - a celebration to honor emeritus faculty is scheduled for May 17, 2016 at 3:00 pm; everyone is encouraged to attend.
 - CSUB Retired faculty members have expressed interest in establishing an Emeritus Retired Faculty Association (ERFA) chapter; M. Pawlowski is leading the charge.

- Dean searches continue for AVC, SSE, NSME, and BPA; interim deans will be appointed. The plan is for the BPA and SSE searches to begin in the fall followed by AVC and NSME in January 2017.

7. Committee Reports and Requests-

- Executive Committee (D. Boschini)**-Vice Chair Boschini reported that information in regard to applications for Assigned Time under Article 20.37 will be going out soon. In response to the EC's concerns that in recent years University Day/week has drifted from being faculty focused, August 17, 2016 has been designated as a general faculty meeting; President Mitchell has accepted an invitation to briefly address faculty followed by a Q&A period. C. Meyers has indicated that he completing his role as Director for the Kegley Institute; a search will be conducted in the near future.
- Academic Affairs Committee (H. McCown)**-Senator McCown reported that work continues in regard to the issue on GECCo Appeal Procedures. The committee has postponed discussion on the posthumous degree policy pending work by other committees.
- Academic Support & Student Services Committee (J. Millar)**-Senator Millar reported that the committee is in the process of preparing a resolution in regard to the issue on textbook affordability. A joint resolution will be prepared for the issue on parking issues.
- Budget & Planning Committee (J. Fielder)**-Senator Fielder reported that discussion continues on chargebacks in regard to the issue on policy and procedures for the use of university facilities. In regard to parking issues, the committee has voted not to endorse faculty/staff parking; they suggest that a handicap shuttle service be implemented. B. Larson, Chair of the Faculty Honor and Awards Committee (FHAC) has joined discussion on timeline for emeritus award nominations.
- Faculty Affairs Committee (B. Hartsell)**-Senator Hartsell reported that the committee is still working on adoption of new SOCI as well as faulty workload.
- Staff Report (J. Paschal)**-None
- ASI Report (M. Kwon)**-None
- Rumor and Gossip Control**-None

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

- Consent Agenda**-None
- Old Business:**
 - **Robert's Rules of Order RES 151610 (FAC) (Second Reading)**-Senator Hartsell introduced the resolution stating that the language reduces opportunity for confusion among various versions of Robert's Rules of Order. Chair Kegley opened the floor for discussion.

Called/Passed: Chair Kegley called the question. The resolution on Robert's Rules of Order passed.

- New Business:**
 - **Approval of EdD Program in Educational Leadership Proposal RES 151615 (AAC, AS&SS, BPC, FAC) (First Reading)**-Vice Chair Boschini introduced the resolution stating that the four standing committees reviewed the proposal; EdD program faculty provided responses to questions raised.

Motion/Second/Passed: Senators Hartsell and Frye moved to waive the first reading given its history. Motion passed.

Called/Passed: Chair Kegley called the question. The resolution on Approval of EdD Program in Educational Leadership Proposal passed with one opposed.

- **Amendment of Emeritus Policy RES 151613 (Floor)**-Senator Hartsell introduced the resolution stating that there have been awkward situations where timelines for nominations for emeritus status have not been met. The sense of the EC is that we want to treat our colleagues as kindly as possible and not create timelines that create barriers. Chair Kegley opened the floor for discussion. Comments and concerns include: 1) who is responsible for the implementation of policy; 2) how does the process accommodate last minute decisions to retire; and 3) is the language consistent with the Handbook?

Provost Zorn clarified that ceremony deadlines do not dictate the process for awarding Emeritus status.

Motion/Second/Passed: Senators Jacobsen and Moore moved to refer this issue back to the FAC for discussion. Motion passed.

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

- **International Students/Faculty**-Senator Moore reported that the issues of support for international students as well as support for faculty dealing with cultural diversity was recently discussed at the University Council meeting. Senator Fielder added that some faculty are dealing with their own immigration/visa issues; Senator Murphy recommended that a workshop be held for faculty in regard to supporting international students in the classroom.
- **Smoking on Campus**-Senator Moore reported that the Chancellor's office will be implementing a new no smoking policy on all CSU campuses.
- **Nominations for State-wide Academic Senator**-In response to Senator Facile-Anderson's inquiry in regard to the recent call for State-wide Academic Senator, Vice Chair Boschini clarified that the language "eligible for re-election" indicates that the incumbent is eligible to be nominated for another term; that person still needs to be nominated.

10. **Adjournment**

Senator Fiedler motioned to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 11:04.