

**CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD
ACADEMIC SENATE-APPROVED
MINUTES**

**Thursday, May 5, 2016
Health Center Conference Room
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

MEMBERS: D. Boschini, D. Dodd, J. Fielder, 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, D. Wilson, D. Zhou (ALT), J. Zorn

ABSENT: D. Anderson-Facile, S. Frye, M. Kwon

VISITORS: D. Schecter, S. Schilling, S. Bozarth, C. Hu, J. Clausen, C. Livingston

1. **Call to Order**-Meeting called to order by Chair Kegley.
2. **Approval of Minutes** – April 21, 2016
Motion/Second/Approved: Senators Hartsell and Moore moved to approve the minutes. The minutes from April 21, 2016 are approved.
3. **Announcements and Information**
 - **Steve Schilling, CEO Clinica Sierra Vista**-Chair Kegley introduced S. Schilling who stated that he is flattered to be invited to be the 2016 CSUB commencement speaker. At his request, he received input for his commencement message.
 - Chair Kegley reported that Faculty Trustee Steven Stepanek will be visiting campus on May 6, 2016.
 - Vice Chair Boschini reported that calls have been issued for school-wide elections.
4. **Approval of Agenda**-
The agenda is approved.
5. **ASCSU Report**- None
6. **Provost's Report** (J. Zorn)-Provost Zorn reported the following:
 - **Dean Searches**-Following consultation with school deans and chairs the following appointments have been made: 1) R. Schultz, Interim Dean for Antelope Valley Center (AVC); 2) S. Bacon, Interim Dean for Social Sciences and Education (SSE). Appointments for BPA, NSM&E, and A&H will be made after the school representatives are elected and the Provost consults with the schools.
 - **Farewell Celebration**- A farewell celebration for R. Collins A. Houtman, and K. Knutzen, is scheduled for May 17, 2016 at 1:00 in the Stockdale Room.
 - **Chancellor's Visit to CSUB**-While on campus April 29, 2016 Chancellor White engaged with students and faculty; he was impressed with faculty innovated teaching. Chair Kegley recommended that a session on ideas for classroom innovation be scheduled for Faculty Day.
7. **Committee Reports and Requests**-
 - a. **Executive Committee** (D. Boschini)-Senator Hartsell reported that committees are being formed for the A&H, BPA, NSM&E, BPA, and AVC dean searches. The committee discussed the need for signage, parking, and cameras on campus. Discussion on posting of University-wide committee processes and structure on the Academic Senate website will continue in the fall. Chair Kegley reported that August 17, 2016 has been designated as faculty day; interesting events are being planned for faculty. She requested that recommendations for that day be sent to the Senate office.

- b. **Academic Affairs Committee** (H. McCown)-Senator McCown reported that the committee has discussed the foreign language requirement. He added that the MAS Concentrations in BPA is currently being considered in the BPA Curriculum Committee.
 - c. **Academic Support & Student Services Committee** (J. Millar)-Senator Millar reported that the committee discussed the issue of textbook affordability.
 - d. **Budget & Planning Committee** (J. Fiedler)-Senator Fiedler reported that the committee failed to form a quorum on April 28, 2016. They met as a subcommittee to discuss scheduling issues involving the transition from Meeting Maker to 25Live. There is also a glitch in regard to inconsistent naming of rooms.
 - e. **Faculty Affairs Committee** (B. Hartsell)-Senator Hartsell reported that the committee discussed how information ought to be shared as well as what information should be made public; there were no conclusions. The committee also discussed assigned time and amendment of the Emeritus Policy.
 - f. **Staff Report** (J. Paschal)-None
 - g. **ASI Report** (M. Kwon)-None
 - h. **Rumor and Gossip Control**-None
8. **Resolutions - (Time Certain 10:45 A.M.)**

a. **Consent Agenda**: None

b. **Old Business**: None

c. **New Business**:

- **Textbook Affordability Program RES 151616 (AS&SS)**-Senator Millar introduced the resolution stating that the AS&SS supports a \$50,000 grant through the Chancellor's office to make affordable learning solutions more accessible to the faculty. It requires that the Academic Support adopt a resolution in support of increasing access to high-quality educational resources to reduce textbook costs for students.

Motion/Second/Passed: Senators Fiedler and Hartsell moved to waive the first reading. Motion passed.

Chair Kegley opened the floor for discussion. Concerns and recommendations include: 1) faculty is not aware of the opportunity; 2) faculty should be recruited to participate in the program; 3) it is challenging for faculty to find enough time to participate; 4) involve librarians to work with faculty to decrease the time factor; 5) include a grant opportunity to develop affordable learning solutions; 6) extend deadlines for ordering materials for participants.

Called/Passed: Chair Kegley called the question. The resolution on Textbook Affordability Program passed.

- **Amendment of Emeritus Policy RES 151617 (FAC)**-Senator Hartsell introduced the resolution stating that the FAC has incorporated ideas from the Academic Senate on April 21, 2016. The revisions are intended to address the situation that might arise when someone decides to retire at a point and time that is not consistent with the typical pattern. Senator Jackson noted that the language "provide timely" should be in bold and underlined. In response to Senator Moore's concern, Senator Hartsell stated that faculty can only FERP if they have retired; faculty can be nominated for emeritus status at any time after they have retired.

Called/Passed: Chair Kegley called the question. The resolution on Amendment of Emeritus Policy passed.

It was recommended that this issue be put on the DCLC agenda for clarification of the policy.

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

- **Preferred Name on Class Roster**-Senator Jackson stated that that our campus has a fairly large number of gender non-conforming students who either identify as transgender or nonbinary gender. She is concerned that instead of their preferred name, their legal name appears on class rosters which "outs" that student when roll is called. Also, their legal gender identity appears on the roster which is irrelevant and should be eliminated. She added that this is disrespectful to students. Provost Zorn indicated that

she would look into how students can indicate their preference for using their chosen name in PeopleSoft. Senator Paschal added that she will bring this issue up with the Q2S Group when they meet. Senator Millar indicated that she is happy to assist students who are interested in changing their legal name. In response to Senator Hartsell's inquiry, Senator Pascal indicated that she will research whether or not students are required to use their legal name on their diploma.

- **Outlook Glitch**-Chair Kegley indicated that there is a glitch in sending mass email through Outlook; important messages are going to junk mail.
- **Academic Senate Elections**-Senator Jacobsen indicated that she has not received an email announcing the call for NSM&E elections. Vice Chair Boschini will follow-up on this issue.

10. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 11:30.