

ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Minutes

Tuesday, October 5, 2021

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Video Conference

Members: A. Hegde (Chair), M. Danforth (Vice-Chair), J. Millar, M. Martinez, E. Correa, C. Lam, M. Rees, J. Tarjan, V. Harper

Absent: M. Martinez (excused), E. Correa (excused)

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Hegde called the meeting to order.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS, INFORMATION AND WELLNESS CHECK

President Zelezny meeting with the Executive Committee - Topics submitted:

- Redesigning CSUB for effective communication and coordination
- Extending compassion and compensation for faculty and staff
- Contingency plan when faculty are unable to teach due to COVID-19
- Testing Center
- Academic integrity
- Graduation Initiative (GI) Symposium
- Great Colleges to Work For - Survey Results
- Vaccination Status Reporting
- Faculty Forum with the President

AB 928 – This State bill attempts to align the transfer process, or at least curriculum, for transfer students and expand the specific required courses students need to gain acceptance. It creates a unified General Education (GE) admissions pathway for all community college students. “Unified” defined as, through a legislative mandate, the same programs to be admitted to the CSU and UC system. The concern is that UC requires two courses fewer than CSU and doesn’t include Ethnic Studies. It would impact CSUB curriculum and student proficiency upon graduation. There is concern that different councils, faculty and disciplinary groups are not aware of the implications. J. Tarjan was invited to meet with the ASCSU Chair and the Vice-Chair in charge of all transfer admissions issues, and the Academic Affairs committee Chair. Opinion: American Institutions, Oral Communication, Area E, Language Other Than English (LOTE) and the stand-alone Critical Thinking courses would be removed from the curriculum. It

will affect our native [non-transfer] students. Another revision to Executive Order (EO) 1100 can be expected. (J. Tarjan) Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) majors have many discipline requirements. It's important that the committee has people who are familiar with the Nursing accreditation requirements, the ABET accreditation, and how these changes would affect them. For example, the ABET program is 58 to 60 units after transfer. To add one additional GE course is going to make things extremely problematic, especially for Engineering Science and Computer Science students. Anything added to lower division or upper division GE will affect disciplinary requirements for their international, national, and state accrediting boards. The request is for those concerns go to the State level to prevent scrambling at the discipline level in response to State actions. (M. Danforth) Opinion: The goal is to increase the number of STEM majors. (J. Tarjan) Add item, AB 928, to Continued Discussion item to EC meeting agenda. (A. Hegde)

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

C. Lam moved to approve the agenda. M. Rees seconded. Approved.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

C. Lam moved to approve the September 21, 2021 Minutes. M. Rees seconded. Approved.

5. CONTINUED ITEMS

a. AS Log (handout)

i. AAC (J. Tarjan)

Referral # 02 Department Formation Criteria – The task force made of AAC, BPC and FAC members is working on this.

Referral # 08 Proposal for the Formation of a General Studies (GST) Department – waiting for a revision to joint referral to an AAC focus.

Referral # 09 Proposal to Employ HIP Tracking - It is more complex than originally thought. A sub-committee is working on it: what class doesn't have student research, is there a threshold for that? The draft from sub-committee will be drawn before meeting with BPC and FAC on this joint referral.

ii. AS&SS (E. Correa) (deferred)

iii. FAC (M. Rees)

Referral # 14 - The committee discussed the response to the request the FAC made for the formation of an Ethnic Studies department. The committee is drafting a letter to send. There were two recommendations and two requirements. The proposers met the two recommendations and one of the requirements. One requirement remains before an agreement can be made.

- iv. BPC (C. Lam)
 - Referral # 22 Summer 2022 Schedule EGO - The Summer Session dates to remain as is and the Winter Session start date moved from Tuesday to Monday. To be presented as RES 212206 Winter Intersession 2021-2022 Calendar Update.
 - Referral # 16 Institutional Research in Response to the WSCUC Report – Initiated discussion. Members urged to review AVP Malhotra’s report. Discussion to continue.
 - b. Provost Update (V. Harper)
 - c. Searches (V. Harper)
 - i. AVP GRaSP –The Call for At-Large and Open Call for the BPA position ends at 5:00 p.m. The committee meet Falls ’21 and Spring ’22.
 - ii. AVP IRPA – B. Street elected. The committee meets today.
 - iii. Dean BPA – Provost and EC selected M. Elhousseiny and D. Wu for committee to be comprised of a majority of faculty members
 - iv. Dean NSME – (4) FT tenured faculty member elected. The committee meets during the 2021-2022 academic year.
 - v. Dean Antelope Valley – The Open Call to the university for the BPA position, ends at 5:00 p.m. The committee meets Fall ’21 and Spring ’22
 - vi. Dean Library – established committee meets Spring ’22
 - vii. Associate Dean Undergraduate and Graduate Studies - The Call for At-Large and Open Call for A&H, BPA ends at 5:00 p.m. The committee meet Falls ’21 and Spring ’22.
 - d. Financial and strategic planning transparency and faculty participation (deferred)s
6. NEW DISCUSSION ITEMS
- a. Sociology Concentration Revision Proposal –Referred to AAC. Provost will send his letter of support to AAC.
 - b. New Course and Curriculum Revision proposals – ETHS 1508, and Ethnic and Areas Studies Concentration referred to AAC
 - c. Senate Meeting Date Change – Senate meeting was scheduled during exam week. Dates of Senate and Standing Committees changed to keep business flow in order: Senate November 4, Sub-committee November 18 and Senate December 2. The December 9 Senate meeting cancelled.
 - d. AAC Copy Catalog and Special Concerns – Request for clarification regarding the number of times an iteration of the course can be offered with a 770 suffix and restrictions on their use to meet program requirements. (J. Tarjan) Carry discussion to next meeting. (A. Hegde)
 - e. Exam Modality for Flex Classes – J. Tarjan (deferred)
 - f. Policies: Reimbursement Rate, and Professional Development Funding – Provost’s Office (deferred)

- g. Title Change - Library Staff Manager – S. Bozarth, Interim Dean Library, submitted request to the Academic Senate. A letter of support from the Provost is needed before EC discussion whether to refer it to sub-committee.
- h. Summer Compensation – Department Chairs, Academic Senate Chair, Accessible Technology Initiative (ATI) faculty members (deferred)
- i. Senate Calendar and Potential Timelines in Standing Committee(s) (deferred)
- j. Academic Integrity (deferred)
 - i. Academic Integrity Pledge
- k. Sabbatical Process Improvement – FAC (deferred)
- l. Elections and Appointments – M. Danforth (deferred)
 - i. ATI Working Group
 - 1. Appointments
 - 2. Sub-committee – Instructional Materials
 - ii. Fourth attempt to fill position turns to EC appointment – Handbook Change
 - iii. School Elections Committee – Handbook Change 202.7
 - iv. Order of Business – Bylaws change (Section III. A.)
 - v. Standing Committee Bylaws change – (Section IV)
 - 1. Chair Election Statement of Interest (J. Tarjan’s suggestion)
 - 2. Two-years on Senate requirement
 - 3. Structure of BPC
 - 4. Strike “at least” (J. Tarjan’s suggestion)
 - vi. Committee proliferation
- m. Strategic Plan Group data gathering instrument(s) (deferred)
- n. Academic Freedom revisited – FAC (deferred)
- o. Distinguished Professor Award – FAC (deferred)
- p. Faculty Poll regarding online instruction (Hold pending further information)
- q. Alma Mater (Hold pending further investigation)
- r. Assigned Time application revision and timing (Hold pending further information) – FAC

7. AGENDA ITEMS FOR SENATE MEETING October 7, 2021

Approval of Minutes

Announcements

- President Zelezny (Time Certain 10:10)
- Elections and Appointments – M. Danforth

Approval of Agenda (Time Certain 10:05)

Reports

Resolutions (Time Certain 10:35)

Consent Agenda

RES 212206 Winter Intersession 2021-2022 Calendar Update

New Business

Old Business

RES 212204 MA INST Moratorium

RES 202105 CSUB Policy on Use of sUAS – GRaSP Update

Open Forum (Time Certain 11:15)

8. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

9. ADJOURNMENT

A. Hegde adjourned the meeting at 11:30.