# Report from ASCSU to CSUB

# Senate Meeting (1/18-19/2024)

# Updates

1. Notes from January Plenary (11/2/23 and 11/3/23)
   * 1. Chancellor’s Office Recruitment
        1. Vice Chancellor of Civil Rights search concluded, position start Feb 19.
        2. Vice Chancellor for External Relations and Communications appointment may be made at the next Board meeting.
        3. Posted jobs for 5 systemwide directors of Civil Rights. Two current staff will take on those roles, other staff will serve in interim.
     2. Board of Trustees
        1. Retreat policy
           1. Deny administrators retreat rights when a finding has been made that they engaged in misconduct and violation of CSU policy or law. To update.
           2. Decision of whether they should continue to have contact with the CSU made at the time of the request to retreat.
           3. Reference letter policy – current policy prohibits providing reference for current or former employees who engaged in certain violations of university policy or other misconduct and were separated from employment as a result of that conduct. Revised policy allows written reference provided that the letter acknowledges the fact, nature, and timing of the finding.
     3. CSSA (Cal State Student Association)
        1. Advocating for equitable emergency aid for students within the CSU.
        2. CSSA plenary will discuss AB810 and AB1575
     4. CFA President, CFA Liaison
        1. Answered questions about the strike.
     5. Dilcie Perez, Deputy VC of Academic and Student Affairs & Chief Student Affairs Officer, and Nathan Evans, Deputy VC of Academic and Student Affairs & Chief Academic Officer
        1. Community College Baccalaureate Degrees
           1. Making progress on the understanding of ‘duplication’ through ICAS work and a working group between administrations from the UC, Community Colleges, and CSU.
           2. New legislation coming in format of bills which would expand CCC baccalaureate degrees.
        2. AB928 and Cal-GETC
           1. Draft Title 5 changes coming. Two options:

Adds Cal-GETC as an option

Adds Cal-GETC and changes CSU GE breadth.

* + - 1. Second Start
         1. Approximately 135k students left CSU without graduating since 2016. Trying to get them back. Second start program will reset GPA, waive application fees, remove administrative barriers. 12-13 campuses have signed up.
      2. Graduation Initiative
         1. Pilot program at Fullerton called Graduate 365 which will provide real time data at the individual student level
         2. Challenge getting real time data from campuses
      3. Black Student success
         1. Campus inventories are in final stages.
         2. Looking for funding to follow the 1-time monies
      4. Budget
         1. January budget proposal released by the Governor.
         2. Commitment to Compact but with delayed funding. Could be fiscally difficult for the CSU. Requires progress but no funding for next year.
         3. Rejects Trustee’s requests and gives no new continuing monies or one time funds for equity goals of graduation initiative, advancing black student success, NAGPRA compliance, increased compensation.
      5. Enrollment
         1. Projecting that CSU will conclude this year approx. 4.9% below target.
         2. Chancellor determined to recoup 3% from campuses that are 10% or more below target in 24-25. Plan continue to impose 5% reduction for 25-26 and 26-27.
         3. Search for Vice Chancellor for External Relations and Communications, who will be in charge of our marketing efforts for CSU concluded.
      6. Financial Aid
         1. Changes to FAFSA rolled out on Dec 31.
      7. Doctoral Degree Programs
         1. AB656 signed, giving the CSU more authority to grant doctoral programs
    1. Mildred Garcia, CSU Chancellor
       1. AB928
          1. Chancellor opposed to having two different GE programs between CSU and CC.
          2. Legislative intrusion is becoming more common across the country.
       2. Presidential Hires
          1. Stanislaus – to be announced at March Board Meeting
          2. Fullerton – to be announced in May
          3. Bakersfield – to be announced in September
    2. Trustee Chair Wenda Fong, Trustee Larry L. Adamson, Faculty Trustee Darlene Yee-Melichar
       1. Invited senators to express views about AB928 and Cal-GETC
       2. Still Left Out report from the Campaign for College Opportunity on diversity of senate memberships across the CSU and at ASCSU.
       3. Chair Steffel pointed to the structural changes recently made including the creation of the Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion standing committee
    3. Alumni Council Presentation
       1. Four Million Ways to Increase Graduation Rates and Close Equity Gaps
          1. Funding available to campuses to try out different strategies.
    4. Resolutions
       1. Approved – AS-3652-23/APEP Notation of Subject Matter Program Completion on Official Student Transcripts
       2. Approved – AS-3654-23/APEP Transfer Pathways Other Than Cal-GETC
       3. Approved – AS-3666-23/Exec/AA Opposition to Changing California State University General Education Breadth at This Time
       4. Approved – AS-3647-23/AA Call for Task Force on California State University General Education
       5. Approved – AS-3651-23/AA A Call for Collaboration on Title 5 Changes
       6. Approved – AS-3655-23/FGA Resolution to Change Position to Support SB 252 CalPERS Fossil Fuel Divestment
       7. Approved – AS-3656-23/FGA Change in the Advocacy Positions Taken on Academic Senate of the California State University Monitored Legislative Bills
       8. Approved with First Reading Waiver – AS-3669-23/FA/JEDI Support for the Unit 3 Bargaining Process and Historic Statewide Strike
       9. First Reading (Waiver failed) – AS-3673-24/Floor On Cal-GETC Alignment and Shared Governance
       10. First Reading – AS-3665-23/AA Faculty Choice in Selection of Course Materials
       11. First Reading – AS-3670-23/Exec Apportionment of Academic Senate CSU (ASCSU) Seats
       12. First Reading – AS-3672-23/FGA Change in Bylaws to Define the position of Legislative Specialist for the Academic Senate of the ASCSU
       13. First Reading – AS-3668-23/APEP Funding for Transfer Curriculum Evaluation Work

1. Senators Lam and Michieka attended BIPOC Caucus meeting

# Upcoming ASCSU Meetings

1. Next ASCSU Committee (and Plenary) meeting (3/14/24 – 3/15/24)

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