ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
SUMMER SENATE

Minutes
Tuesday, May 14 2019
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  SCI III Room 100

Members: D. Boschini (Chair), A. Hegde (Vice Chair), J. Millar, J. Tarjan, E. Correa, B. Street, M. Danforth, M. Rees, V. Harper

Absent: M. Rees

1. CALL TO ORDER
D. Boschini called the meeting to order

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INFORMATION
M. Rees is teaching at this time.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
April 30, 2019 Minutes (tabled) and then approved via email.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
E. Correa requested that timely receipt of RTP letters be added to the agenda. D. Boschini replied that it is not a Senate issue, but an individual faculty/Provost Office issue. Late letters fall into CFA territory. E. Correa requested that Workload be added to the agenda. D. Boschini replied that Workload is on the Agenda for the first meeting of the 2019-2020 AY, August 27. Additional items on the Agenda are Campus Pilot, Handbook issues for FAC, the Honorary Doctorate process, Spring Break placement on the Academic Calendar, and possibly look at issues around Textbook Ordering. Any official work done on Workload may be addressed as a combined Senate and CFA issue. For example, certain groups ask for faculty to come in during summer, off contract. D. Boschini reminded V. Harper that administrators under his purview need to know that faculty can’t come in over summer to work for free. It’s problematic when chairs have small stipends and the work that administrators expect is not commensurate. Agenda topics re-ordered in importance.
E. Correa moved to approve the Agenda as prioritized. B. Street seconded. Approved.

5. CONTINUED ITEMS
a. AS Log (handout)
   i. AAC (M. Danforth) Committee work completed for this academic year.
   ii. AS&SS (E. Correa) Committee work completed for this academic year.
   iii. FAC (M. Rush) Committee work completed for this academic year.
   iv. BPC (B. Street) Committee work completed for this academic year.

b. Provost Update
i. BC/CSUB Partnership meeting took place and the next meeting, TBD.

ii. Faculty expansion hires - The Deans met last week to make request allocation of faculty hires, based on data showing school trends. The Deans presented their arguments. V. Harper will recommended an allocation at next Council meeting. He is still working with T. Davis on the total number of tenure-track lines and how they’ll be distributed. It will be in the mid-teens, plus one [sustainability position]. After that number is determined, then V. Harper will consider the ranked request for expansion hires by schools. The Deans will present to the Chairs before commencement. D. Boschini responded that whatever the number is, the question follows: How the predicted enrollment growth relates to tenure density? If it doesn’t keep pace with enrollment growth, we are falling short. Currently, the number should be 30 new tenure track lines to keep pace with this year’s enrollment. The number to discuss is what will match the expected growth as it occurs. V. Harper replied that K. Krishnan will put the estimate for tenure density into the report to the Chancellor’s Office. Tenure density is a high priority for the President and the Interim Provost. A. Hegde requested that the Antelope Valley (AV) campus should not be allocated a separate line. The new hire at AV should be included within the school of discipline. The departments decide, not CSUB AV. AV doesn’t have a program. Rather, programs have the AV campus. V. Harper agreed.

c. Searches
   i. AVP EM – The third candidate will be interviewed next week.
   ii. AVP Academic Programs position is still open.
   iii. Associate Dean of Undergraduate and Graduate Studies - Dr. Jackson has accepted the position.

d. University Week
   i. Faculty Meeting - A. Hegde spoke with J. Sanchez, Director of Sustainability. Her office now reports to T. Ridley, Safety and Risk Management. There used to be a President’s Committee on Sustainability. Their understanding was that since there is an office of Sustainability, there is no need for a committee. A. Hegde has reasoned with them on why there is a need for a committee. There are individuals, such as Senator A. Lauer, who are deeply concerned. There are a lot of faculty members interested in sustainability, yet there is a lack in curriculum. He suggested adding Sustainability to the agenda. J. Sanchez could explain her position and role and present what has been done on campus. A. Hegde and E. Correa agreed to plan. E. Correa suggested that the entire event be in compliance. J. Millar agreed to help with planning.

e. Call for Interest: Faculty Ombudsperson
   i. Job description – it’s too late to do a good job and then make the call during finals week. V. Harper will include in his next announcement that the Academic Affairs will be moving forward with the role of a faculty Ombudsman. The call
for interest will be made when faculty return in the fall. The Interim Provost makes the appointment.

ii. Call for Interdisciplinary Support

f. ITAC Report (deferred)

6. NEW DISCUSSION ITEMS

a. GECCo: There is a Faculty Director. Presently, the campus is in the middle of recertifying classes that faculty committed to in the original compendium. There is a grant that needs to be managed. GECCo discussed that there are more leadership tasks than time and space to do them. GECCo proposed having a Vice Chair who would handle additional responsibilities. Because Vice Chair is not in compendium, the committee asked that EC look at that idea. D. Boschini asked about scope of the Vice-Chair position; is GECCo adding a new member; will it be someone who is already a member who will be formally recognized to run the meeting when the Faculty Director is not present? It has been suggested that the GECCo Faculty Director shouldn’t be a FT job. The question is whether we are creating a new position with release time, or reducing the release time of Director and giving it to Vice Chair? The Faculty Director job description is in the grant. The feedback to GECCo is that it needs to stick with the original plan and make the compendium structure work. If not, a detailed report of facts to the EC is needed. The EC recognizes that the Faculty Director is a full release time position. Consider whether the Faculty Director has to be a tenured faculty member.

b. Standing Committee Appointments (handout) All the schools need representation in each of the committee, a balance of experience and new, have diversity of thought, ideas and people. Three committee chairs are working on filing vacancies, and the names will be submitted via email for EC approval. The rosters will go before the Senate for their formal approval at its first meeting, August 29, 2019.

c. Meeting Tuesday, May 21 not necessary, as the discussion of committee candidates’ placement (Item 6 b) can be finalized by email.

d. Follow-up on effective communication (deferred)

e. The UPRC requested Senate to address programs not completing reviews (deferred)

7. AGENDA ITEMS FOR SENATE MEETING AUGUST 29, 2019 (Time Certain 11:00 a.m.)

Announcements
Orientation
ASCSU Report
Interim Provost Report
Committee Reports
Consent Agenda
Resolutions
Open Forum

8. COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:30.