ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Minutes
Tuesday, May 5, 2020
10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Video Conference


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

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND INFORMATION
   • ASCSU members will be attending the Plenary meeting May 7, 2020
   • GE Advisory Committee begins at 11:00 - J. Tarjan left the meeting early to attend
   • D. Boschini, V. Harper and R. Weller discussed working on professional development in remote teaching using online instruction. They talked about how to approach summer session given the Senate passage of RES 192021 Winter Term Courses and Units Policy, and the role of DLC moving forward.
   • President Zelezny will be attending the Senate Organizational meeting, May 7, 2020.
   • Thank you to the EC members who were part of the Provost Search process.
   • Congratulations to V. Harper on his appointment, Provost and VP AA.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   The April 28, 2020 Minutes were approved electronically.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
   M. Rees moved to approve the Agenda. B. Street seconded. Approved.

5. CONTINUED ITEMS
   a. AS Log (handout)
      i. AAC (M. Danforth) AAC members have received the request to change course prefix from INST to ETHS. J. Tarjan said that this could be a Report item from ASCSU. Some transfer degrees are double counted so there isn’t an increase of units. Example: Political Science. If Ethnic Studies goes in Area D, it increases the number of units for those with high double-counting in Area D. Maybe count in Area D or C, but it may cause problems. This may be an issue that the Senate wants to hear, perhaps during the summer. J. Miller said a major part of the ASCSU AA
conversation will be about the impact and effects of possible changes. Ethnic Studies implementation would be 2023-2024. The BOT will vote in September. She asked if J. Tarjan would talk to M. Martinez. If CSUB proposes a change to the Ethnic Studies language in the ASCSU resolution to change Title V, she will bring it forward. The Board of Trustees (BOT) votes in September. D. Boschini recommended that ES be discussed in the fall.

ii. AS&SS (D. Wilson)

iii. FAC (M. Rees)

iv. BPC (B. Street)

b. Provost Update – V. Harper thanked D. Boschini for her outstanding leadership and for being a close friend and confidante. There have been issues that never got to the light of day because they were resolved through their discussion. She has been one of the best colleagues he’s ever had. He saluted her professionally and he will miss her, personally. D. Boschini thanked V. Harper. He’s done a good job of pulling her back from the ledge and pushing her forward. The Senate Chair’s job is to tell the Provost and President about what their business is. Even though she doesn’t always agree with the Provost and the President, the dialogue has been respectful and productive. She congratulated V. Harper on his appointment as the permanent Provost and VP Academic Affairs.

c. Searches - Update

i. Interim Associate VP Faculty Affairs – V. Harper decided to ask Debra Jackson. She currently serves as the Associate Dean of Academic Programs. It’s a natural move.

ii. AVP Academic Programs (no update)

iii. Interim Dean Antelope Valley - Doreen Anderson has accepted the position.

iv. Dean SS&E (no update)

v. Associate Dean SS&E (no update)

vi. Dean Library (no update)

d. Financial and strategic planning transparency and faculty participation - B. Street is concerned about the next steps. He has a one-on-one meeting with T. Davis next week. Direct one’s concerns and issues to B. Street.

e. Handbook Error Log

f. Summer Senate – D. Boschini has mixed feelings about meeting: to set a good collegiate example and to advocate not working off-contract. She has a willingness to meet this summer. A. Hegde suggested if we are asking people to work, a stipend is appropriate. The emergency situation calls for emergency meetings. The Provost to decide how much stipend. It’s up to the faculty member to decide whether it’s worth it. We can schedule the time for every week and then hold the meeting(s) as needed. V. Harper said that he would support stipends. He will speak with D.
Rengill, P. Miser, and B. Hartsell on the amounts. Conceptually, he’s on board. M. Danforth recommended stipends for other summer activities. When campus moved from the quarter to semester system, MOU of expected duties and meeting schedule were made, and then faculty received the stipend at the end of August or September. D. Boschini clarified that the Summer Senate is both the EC for this AY and the EC for next AY working together.

g. COVID-19 Planning and Update - V. Harper shared the updated draft. He had a discussion with the Deans and the Associate Deans. The conversation continues with the Kern Health Dept, Chancellor’s Office (CO) and different external groups. Clearly, the best possible scenario is the new normal, 45-50% alternative delivery. The Deans are prepared to discuss it in their schools. Classes under 30 students would run with social distancing. It’s still a draft. Documents to be released later this week. The split attendance instruction model is new. If Tues/Thurs classes have 60 students, half will attend on Tuesday and the other on Thursday. The half not attending would have access to pre-recorded lectures or lecture capture of the classroom in session. Prepare for alternative delivery and plan for partial face-to-face. Build a syllabus for alternative delivery. The Deans will begin planning groups for summer. There will be meetings this summer with the CFA. There will be investments in technology and stipends for summer participants. A. Hegde understands we can’t plan with certainty. He suggested to start fall with alternative delivery and then face-to-face as the semester progresses. V. Harper replied that the data fog is thick. There are multiple models, multiple experts. People are saying different things and there is the politics. We want to create a flexible framework to start face-to-face, and a framework alternative delivery for the entire year. The document came out of the discussion with the Emergency Operations Committee (EOC) and other groups. They agree that once AA knows where it is going, the other divisions form themselves around that, including the Counseling Center. It’s been extraordinarily constructive. It’s a balance of external and internal information. In split attendance instruction, part would be remote: banked lecture audio with slide deck for students to take, lecture capture in classroom, remote video lecture in real time. There will be people to assure social distancing for the face-to-face classroom instruction. M. Danforth asked to consider the flipped classroom model when discussing split attendance whereby student watch video and then come into the classroom to do their workbooks and ask their questions. The Labster software demo revealed that it truly only covers the theory and formulaic style and doesn’t cover the tactile. There is a deficiency in the students’ experience. She will give Provost Harper a rating upon going through the program further. M. Rees inquired whether there is going to be CSU policy or is each campus
using its own approach? V. Harper said that the politics are layered: CSU, State government, and local government have their agenda. Will the Governor allow the cities to set parameters for K-12? The CSU could react to the State level which tells us to be all alternative delivery. At the moment, we can make our own decision. D. Boschini said that while we can currently implement our own plan, the governor could change it. Expect changes in the plan. That will be the challenge in the next few months. M. Rees asked to remember PT Lecturers and the enormous workload of re-rigging their classes. V. Harper said that masks will be worn. There are HR regulations associated with that. A faculty can’t automatically say they want to teach online. It’s a bucket of complexity. He recommends that when faculty builds syllabi, this is what it looks like under face-to-face and this is what it’ll look like under alternative delivery. Be prepared for 24 months of this. D. Wilson said that Nursing clinical courses are performance courses where the regulatory agency mandates the number of hours the students have to complete. D. Boschini said that there are system-wide conversations with colleges and there has been a lot of churn and gaps and overlaps. For example, the Board of Registered Nurses has made a vote of no confidence, asking for the Board to be dissolved. They’re not going to decide until August and September. When she sees V. Harper’s document, she sees a good plan. The early involvement of all the people has been positive. V. Harper said that the Lecturer hiring cycle has not changed. D. Boschini asked for an update on AA and the possibility of reorganization. V. Harper reached out to the two consultants about their willingness to hold a meeting next week via Zoom. It’s not yet clear how much instructional reorganization can be done next year. He welcomed feedback from the DCLC. They could be brought into the discussions. He is reluctant to cram any decisions into the last two weeks of the semester. D. Boschini said that the timing of AA reorganization when the faculty will be off-campus is not good. Last time it was controversial. Don’t do it during the summer. Keep gathering information and then reach out to faculty in August.

6. **NEW DISCUSSION ITEMS**

a. **CSU Undergraduate Admissions (handout)** The EC took a moment on how it impacts campus and program. ACT and SAT will not be required in Fall 2021. It should be mentioned at DCLC. There will be a long-term impact for many years to come. For example, 2027 applicants to the Nursing program. J. Minor is working on communication to be shared on May 6, including how to address English areas A, B, and C.

b. **URC Memo: Recommendations to the RTP Process (handout)**

c. **Exceptional Service Award – A. Hegde, J. Millar, B. Street** looked at the applications. There still were applications that included regular duties. There were six applicants.
Three are recommended for awards by the committee, 3 WTUs for each. The award depends on funding from the CO. Wait until the CFA contract is signed this summer before issuing another call to award the WTUs remaining. A new Article 20.37 review committee will need to be formed. The Academic Senate Office will work with the Interim AVP Faculty Affairs on the notification to the three awardees.

7. **AGENDA ITEMS FOR SENATE MEETING MAY 7, 2020** (Time Certain 11:00 a.m.)
   
   **Session One**
   
   Announcements
   
   President Zelezny (Time Certain 10:40-10:50)
   
   Consent Agenda
   
   RES 192025 Commencement 2020
   
   RES 192026 Commendation of Deborah Boschini
   
   New Business
   
   Old Business
   
   RES 192021 Winter Term Courses and Units Policy – AAC (Time Certain)
   
   RES 192024 New Curriculum Forms and Process - AAC (Time Certain)
   
   RES 192015 Faculty Workload (Time Certain)
   
   Open Forum
   
   Adjournment
   
   **Session Two**
   
   Introduction of Members (handout)
   
   Approval of Academic Senate Meeting Schedule 2020-2021 (handout)
   
   Election of Standing Committee Chairs
   
   Adjournment

8. **COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR**

   This is a good time to get the Academic Senate Chair on the Cabinet.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

   The meeting ended and 11:40 and it concludes D. Boschini’s service.