**ACADEMIC SENATE**

**MINUTES**

**MEETING #5**

Thursday, November 9, 2017, 2:00 – 4:00 pm

Towner Auditorium (PSY 150)

1. CALL TO ORDER
* Convened 2:03pm
1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
* Approved
1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ATTENDANCE SHEET
	1. Academic Senate Meeting of October 19, 2017
* Approved
1. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES AND COUNCILS
	1. Executive Committee: Announcements
* J. Pandya met with N. Schurer and he is healing at home
* J. Cormack & J. Pandya sent out a memo regarding the GE revisions
	+ There was a brief discussion about how the GE revision process would work and which committees any revisions would go through. Any revisions will go through GEGC and CEPC.
* ANNOUNCEMENT: Ann Kinsey hired to replace Aracely Montes as Assistant to the Academic Senate Chair
	1. Nominating Committee
* GEGC
	+ Sabine Reddy (CBA) Term 2020
	+ Approved
	1. Academic Senate Consent Calendar
		1. Business Analytics Certificate (AS-1034-17/CEPC/URC)—FIRST READING
* A Senator objected, and therefore the item was move to a first reading.
* Michael Solt (Dean of CBA), Sam Min (Chair of Marketing), and Michael Chung (Chair of Information Systems) provided an overview which included:
	+ “Big Data” or “Data Analytics” – helping to improve our curriculum to provide the skills in this area to our students.
	+ Chose the certificate approach to make the opportunity open to all students. They have a BA/BS degree, but you cannot get a minor in the same area you are getting your degree in, so a certificate program opens it to everyone.
	+ Growing demand for business analytics, and they feel this program will help.
	+ The certificate can be implemented into current courses in the areas of marketing and ethics.
1. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES: None
2. SPECIAL ORDERS
	1. Report from CSULB President Jane Conoley: TIME CERTAIN 2:15 pm
* President Conoley visited with Tavis Smiley who works with the Bill & Melinda Gates foundation. Their discussion focused on finding ways to provide access for students of color on our campus.
* Given the high levels of anxiety for many students on campus (60-70% of student referrals to Student Affairs are based on anxiety and related issues), ASI students are working with our CSULB students to find ways to help.
* The Time, Place, and Manner Policy is being revisited. The campus will be collecting feedback about the policy, and we are open to considering revisions year by year.
* President Conoley asked Mary Stephens to provide an update regarding lead issues with the water on campus:
	+ Mary Stephens informed everyone about how the university is working to fix the issue. The approach is to proactively shut down all fountains and outdoor hydration stations. Working toward sustainable improvements.
* Information about an upcoming Veteran’s event was provided.
* Feedback about the CSULB campus Homecoming was provided.
* President Conoley noted that the 2017 “Open Doors” report by IIE showed the following:
	+ CSULB has the 4th largest number of international students at the Masters comprehensive level.
	+ CSULB is 3rd in sending students at the Masters comprehensive level overseas to study.
* A QUESTION was raised asking President Conoley why her office did not support the EO 1100 & 1110 resolutions.
	+ President Conoley provided several responses, including:
		- “We are so far ahead of the rest of the CSU system, why ask for delay if we are doing well so far”
		- (Paraphrased) – The resolution is not the way to go. Her understanding was that EVC Loren Blanchard wanted a very specific letter with issues and specific proposed deadlines. Therefore, a resolution will not help us. If we don’t meet the deadline there is not much the Chancellor’s Office can do to us.
	+ Provost Jersky also provided some responses, including:
		- (Paraphrased) – He feels we are making good progress toward the Nov. 18 deadline. Therefore, there is no point in delaying the deadline. If we fail to meet the deadline, we can reach out to the Chancellor’s office to express our diligence and hard work.
		- (Paraphrased) – He wants to separate budget from pedagogy as we plan to address these EO / GE issues.
* Some QUESTIONS were raised about the viewpoints and messages presented by the vendors who work on our campus (e.g. Papa Johns, etc.).
	1. Report from CFA President Doug Domingo-Forasté
* Thanks to those who voted for the TA initiative
* Hunter College (City Univ. of New York) is holding a higher education labor-management conference: 12/1 – 12/2 at the Pointe on campus. If interested, please email Doug.
* A QUESTION was raised: Have our union dues gone up from 1.1 to 1.35% of gross pay?
	+ ANSWER: Yes, after August 1st in line with our pay increase.
	1. Report from the Academic Council on International Programs (Aparna Nayak)
* A. Nayak thanked the nominating committee for electing her
* ANNOUNCEMENTS:
	+ A couple of faculty opportunities in Italy. Look for announcement in Provost’s message.
	+ Faculty development opportunity, also discussed in Provost’s message (first opportunity will be held in Ghana).
		- DEADLINES for both opportunities are Dec. 1 (more information on their website).
	+ South African opportunity has been re-opened (different from the two above).
	+ There is a push to provide more opportunities for student GE opportunities abroad.
	1. Report from the ASCSU, Kelly Janousek
* K. Janousek pointed out some “things we might find interesting,” including:
	+ Hans Johnson (Director and Senior Fellow at the Higher Education Center) provided testimony before the Assembly Select Committee on the Master Plan for Higher Education in California (Testimony: *The Need for College Graduates in California’s Future Economy)*
		- This report discusses the increasing need for bachelors level students to fill positions, especially with the rising number of Baby Boomers retiring
	+ Several resolutions are being discussed/introduced, including:
		- Standards for Quantitative Reasoning
		- First Reading - Shared Governance and Consultation in the CSU
		- First Reading - Project Rebound (at San Francisco State)
			* There was a brief discussion about how that might be introduced at CSULB, especially with the current work of our campus organization, *Rising Scholars*.
1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
	1. Revision: Policy on Avoidance of Conflict of Interest on Personnel Matters (formerly Policy on Nepotism) (AS-968-17/FPPC). The Executive committee recommends returning this policy to the FPPC to consult with campus legal counsel.
* A **MOTION** was made that we send this policy back to FPPC. The motion received a second.
	+ Rationale for the motion: There is some language in the policy that conflicts with language in the CO Policy. We should consult with legal counsel to make sure that our policy is in line with the CO policy
	+ The **MOTION PASSED: 44-3.**
	1. Revision: **Employment of Graduate Students as Student Assistants, Instructional Student Assistants, Graduate Assistants, and Teaching Associates (AS-1032-17/FPPC)—SECOND READING**
* Discussion started at Section 6.0 of the policy
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	+ A **MOTION** was made to remove the word “normally” – and have it read “…total hours of employment does not exceed 20 hours per week….”
	+ The **MOTION PASSED: 42-0**.
* Section 7.0
	+ A **MOTION** was made to add “…the student’s total employment does not exceed the maximum allowed by this policy,” and remove subpoints (1) & (2) from the original version.
	+ **A MOTION to Table the Discussion** was made and seconded.
		- Rationale for Tabling:
			* Not in compliance in with the Student CBA
			* Department Notification Clause
			* Clarification of the number of hours allowed
			* Faculty Affairs Issues, HR Issues, Student Affairs Issues, Payroll.
			* Therefore, we should have the policy reviewed prior to voting on it.
	+ Friendly amendment: table until next meeting (11/30) and have Senate Exec meet with Mark Wiley to discuss
	+ The **MOTION to TABLE PASSED: 35-4**.
1. NEW BUSINESS
	1. Revision: Policy on Graduate Studies (GS 700) [AS-1041-17/CEPC)—FIRST READING
* Time 3:32
* The CSULB catalog changed without recognizing that the new language was no longer in alignment with our GS700 policy.
	+ Issues:
		- Taking it online
		- Who has authority for holds
* A QUESTION was raised about the omission of the language “Graduate Director.”
	+ ANSWER: The feeling is that the current language is inclusive enough.
* A QUESTION was raised about why the authority to approve GS700 additions falls outside the department/unit after four semesters.
	+ ANSWER: The feeling is that after that period of time, the level of review and accountability should be at a higher level in order to justify the need for the continuation.
	+ Follow-Up QUESTION: If students have a time of seven years before their courses become null and void, why not just allow the students to use that full amount of time even if they use a lot of GS700 time?
1. ADJOURNMENT
* 3:53pm