To: Praveen Soni, outgoing Chair, Academic Senate CSULB

 Norbert Schürer, incoming Chair, Academic Senate CSULB

From: Neil Hultgren, Chair, Curriculum and Educational Policies Council

Date: 30 June 2016

**Annual Report of the Curriculum and Educational Policies Council, 2015-16**

 **ACTIVITIES COMPLETED DURING ACADEMIC YEAR 2015-16**

 **New, Changes To, and Discontinuances of Programs**

1. Discontinuance of the Reading/Language Arts Option in the Master of Arts in Education Degree Program and Specialist Credential. Recommended to the senate on September 9, 2015.
2. Create a new Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering (BSBMEN) in the “to be established” Department of Biomedical Engineering (see below). Recommended to the senate on September 9, 2015.
3. Create a new Master of Science in Engineering Management in the College of Engineering and College of Business (through the College of Continuing and Professional Education). Recommended to the senate on September 23, 2015.
4. Discontinuance of Master of Arts in Global Logistics. Recommended to the senate on September 23, 2015.
5. Discontinuance of the Master of Fine Arts in Theatre, Option in Theatre Management. Recommended to the senate on October 28, 2015.
6. Create a new minor in Public Relations in the Department of Journalism. Recommended to the senate on December 9, 2015.
7. Create a new minor in Korean Language and Culture in the Department of Asian and Asian American Studies. Recommended to the senate on February 10, 2016.
8. Degree designation change of Bachelor of Arts in Dance, Option in Dance Science to Bachelor of Science in Dance, Option in Dance Science. Recommended to the senate on February 24, 2016.
9. Create a new minor in Gerontology in the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences. Recommended to the senate on March 9, 2016.
10. Program change to the University Honors Program. Approved on March 9, 2016.
11. Create a new Master of Science in Global Hospitality Management in the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences (through the College of Continuing and Professional Education). Recommended to the senate on March 9, 2016.
12. Degree name change of Bachelor of Science in Construction Engineering Management (BSCEM) to Bachelor of Science in Construction Management (BSCM). Recommended to the senate on March 23, 2016.
13. Create a new Bachelor of Arts in American Sign Language (ASL) Linguistics and Deaf Cultures in the Department of Linguistics, along with an Option in ASL-English Interpreting. Recommended to the senate on March 23, 2016.
14. Create a new Bachelor of Science in Chemistry, Option in Materials Science from the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry. Recommended to the senate on March 23, 2016.
15. Create a new Bachelor of Science in Physics and Astronomy, Option in Materials Science from the Department of Physics and Astronomy. Recommended to the senate on March 23, 2016.
16. Create a new minor in American Sign Language (ASL) and Deaf Cultures in the Department of Linguistics. Recommended to the senate on April 13, 2016.
17. Create a new minor in Fashion Design in the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences, Fashion Merchandising and Design Program. Recommended to the senate on April 13, 2016.

**Creation of new academic units**

* 1. Create a new Department of Biomedical Engineering. Recommended to the senate on April 13, 2016.

 **Revisions to charges of committees and councils**

 None

**Revisions to existing and development of new university policy statements**

1. Revision to University Honors Program Policy, Policy Statement 08-12. Recommended to the senate on March 9, 2016.
2. Revision to University Certificate Policy, Policy Statement 85-08. Recommended to the senate on March 23, 2016.

**Annual Reports of Committees that Report to the Council**

1. Academic Appeals Committee – Reviewed and accepted 10 February 2016.
2. University Grade Appeals Committee – No report received.
3. International Education Committee – No report received.
4. Educator Preparation Committee – No report received.
5. University Library Committee - Reviewed and accepted 28 October 2015.
6. General Education Governing Committee – Reviewed and accepted 14 October 2015.
7. Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement Committee – No report received.

**Appointment of Liaisons or Members to University Committees and the Senate**

1. Academic Senate – Chris Brazier – 9 September 2015.
2. Academic Appeals Committee – Marshall Thomas – 23 September 2015.
3. University Grade Appeals Committee – Catherine Cummins – 9 September 2015.
4. International Education Committee – Terence Graham – 9 September 2015.
5. Educator Preparation Committee – Huong Tran Nguyen – 9 September 2015.
6. University Library Committee – Khue Duong – 23 September 2015.
7. General Education Governing Committee – Danny Paskin – 9 September 2016
8. Graduation Writing Assessment Requirement Committee – Maryam Qudrat – 23 September 2015.

 **General Education Course List Supplements**

1. Approved Supplement 76 on 14 October 2015.
2. Approved Supplement 77 on 24 February 2016.

**Course Approvals**

* 1. Create a new course, UNIV 150: Research Career Exploration in Sciences, brought to CEPC by the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics. Recommended to Senate on February 10, 2016.

**Additional Items**

* + 1. Review of the draft report of the CSU Task Force on the Advancement of Ethnic Studies (in relation to curricular and educational policy matters). Collected feedback from CEPC members and submitted feedback to the Statewide Academic Senate on September 17, 2015.

 **General Overview**

We reviewed discontinuances, name changes to existing programs, and new program requests and eventually recommended all to the senate for approval. We also revised three senate policy statements, two that have already been sent to the senate and one (on scheduling) that we will continue to revise during the 2016-17 academic year.

 **Unfinished Business**

* + - * 1. Revision to Class Scheduling Policy, Policy Statement 99-24. The CEPC will continue these revisions during fall 2016.