Members Present: Andrea Boyle (San Francisco); Vince Buck (Fullerton); Jackie Kegley (Bakersfield); Ken Nishita (Monterey Bay); Mike Perkins (San Diego); Jim Postma (Chico); Hank Reichman (East Bay); and Maria Viera (Long Beach).

Guests present: Keith Boyum and Christian Hanson. Rochelle Kellner joined us as the Executive Committee liaison.

1. Welcome: Jim Postma called the committee to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda - Rochelle Kellner will join us at 1:30 as Executive Committee liaison.

3. Approval of the Minutes of September 9, 2007. The committee commended Jackie Kegley for the minutes. Jackie indicated that she will miss the November Senate and committee meetings because she has to be at a professional conference. Thus, someone will need to do the minutes. Andrea Boyle volunteered to take on this task.

4. Administrative Reports

   Keith Boyum

   a) First draft of the Access to Excellence Report is available on line.

   b) The remediation report will go the board in November. Herb Carter, Chair of the Curriculum Committee is very interested in First Start efforts and less emphasis on first time freshmen.

   c) The Presidents are continuing forward with the Voluntary System of Accountability measures. King Alexander, President at CSU, Long Beach, is interested in measures that deal with the public good. He wants to investigate the actual costs paid by students versus the posted costs and the number of degrees awarded by CSU compared with statewide awards. The hope is to demonstrate the value CSU offers at lower costs.

   d) There is lots of interest in Troops to College efforts. Veterans and present military personnel receive substantial benefits that can only be used for expanded education. There will be a presentation on this issue to the November Board meeting.

   e) Depending on the view of the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate an item on textbook affordability may go to the November Board meeting.

   f) After discussions with Provosts, CABO and others about the proposed additional Professional Business Graduate Degree Fee, there has been a decision to attempt a survey to determine just what percentage of costs would be covered by employers. This survey would also seek student opinion on the fee.

   g) There is a strong desire to move forward to seek independent authority for the Doctorate in Nursing Practice. The main goal here is to provide doctoral faculty for nursing programs.

   h) Budget augmentation proposals have been taken to the Department of Finance for Nursing and some assistance for the Ed.D effort.

   i) Proposals are coming to ATAC concerning a campus self-assessment in relation to utilizing the Compact money expected for Academic Technology. In addition ATAC is working on
the Transforming the Classroom effort and an RFP is expected for proposals for approximately two courses with collaboration among campuses.

**Questions:** There were some questions about the costs for the Nursing doctorate. Keith, Christine, and Andrea indicated that the usual clinical costs would not be associated with this doctoral program since those seeking this degree have already completed that. And, if the state wants more nurses, they should be willing to provide funding for this effort since there will not be more nurses if there are no faculty to educate them.

**Questions:** There was some concern about the CLA, especially in terms of methodology and what can be reliably learned from the test. It was suggested that perhaps faculty who have expertise in statistical methods might be asked to critique the test and provide recommendation.

There was considerable discussion of providing education to the military. It was suggested that CSU is particularly able to provide the kinds of support services the military personnel need. It is just not clear what is wanted and needed and who is prepared to do what.

**Questions** were also asked about other doctorates in the pipeline. The most viable candidate appears to be Audiology, but by agreement with the UC, this will likely be a joint effort.

**Christine Hanson**
We have launched the first seven Ed.D programs. Stanislaus is moving forward. With the first wave, CPEC has been giving us push-back and there have been responses back and forth. Gary Reichard gave a testimony before CPEC. The report from CPEC staff, however, was full of inaccuracies. The CSU requested that the report not be sent forth.

5. **Liaison Reports**
- Academic Technology Committee- Jackie Kegley- ATAC will be meeting on November 18th and will continue discussion of Transforming the Classroom.
- Admission Advisory Council- Hank Reichman- Has not met.
- California Academic Partnership Program (CAPP) - Jacinta Amaral- no report.
- CSU Ed.D. Faculty Consultation Group- Andrea Boyle, Michael Perkins- this group has not met.
- Disabilities Advisory Committee- Ken Nishita- This group has not met.
- Early Assessment Program Advisory Committee: Ken Nishita- This group has not met.
- Entry Level Mathematics (ELM) Development Committee: Jim Postma- They had met prior to last month’s meeting.
- Commission on Extended University: Michael Gorman- There was no report.
- General Education Advisory Committee: Maria Viera, Jim Postma- This group conducted several campus surveys to determine interest in changing the G.E. program. The committee reviewed the responses as well as Title V and Executive Order 595 and it was decided that there was no pressing need for structural change in the G.E. program. There were primarily suggestions for language changes to E.O., 595 concerning how items were designated, e.g. Modern Languages; Languages other than English.
- Institute for Teaching and Learning- First meeting is scheduled for October 19th.
- International Programs: (Academic Council for International Programs-ACIP: Jacinta Amaral- no report.
- Library Directors Council (COLD) - Jackie Kegley. Jackie reported that there is a proposal for a Virtual Reference and Access system. This document is still in process and Jackie will share it when she has the go ahead from COLD.
• Lower Division Transfer Program Advisory Committee: Jim Postma. There is some discussion about how to make this program more successful including associating it with a Transfer AA degree. There is also a discussion of a pilot program of a transfer effort jointly between a several CSU campuses and a community college that works on descriptors and other aspects. These issues will be discussed in November with Community College persons. Tomorrow there will be a meeting of LDTP Coordinators to discuss best practices and other issues.

6. Other - 1:30 time certain Executive Committee liaison – Rochelle Kellner.
Vince Buck asked about feedback on Access to Excellence. Rochelle replied that the Executive Committee members have provided feedback and some of these did make it into the draft. Also some of the Executive Committee members have attended the Stakeholders meeting. There is hope that further suggestions would come from local campuses and the committees. Hank Reichman suggested that there be a time set aside in November for a general discussion of Access to Excellence. Rochelle replied that resolutions are our usual manner of providing specific recommendations to the Board and the Chancellor’s Office. This is the reason that the Executive Committee is seeking resolutions. Vince suggested that both would be useful. Hank reported that there was excellent discussion of Access to Excellence at the joint Provost-Senate Chairs meeting. It would be helpful if this was shared with the Senate. Keith said that this report is forthcoming.

Jim Postma asked about the referral of the Facilitating Graduation report to the committee. What specific issues should be addressed? One issue he noticed was emphasis on advising issues. Rochelle reported that part of the problem with graduation checks is that campuses are in different places with People Soft implementation. Further, individual articulation agreements of the campuses are needed to make the system really work. This is also delaying the progress on degree audits.

7. Old Business
a. Textbook Affordability (AS 2813-07) - Modifications to paragraph three were made which essentially deletes all the information about further study and to replace it with the phrase “to use the Task Force Report as a guide to develop best practices.”

b. Feedback from AS 2814-17/AA/FA/FGA- Call for Consultation of Professional Fee for Graduate Business Degrees- Hank reported on a group from each of the committees that discussed this issue. There seems to be division among senators on this. There has not been much feedback from campuses. Jackie reported that three local senate committees are discussing this. A representative of student government who was at their last Senate meeting, reported that CSU, Bakersfield students were very concerned about this fee and the general opinion was that many students would not be able to afford this and that local businesses would not support this additional fee. Michael Perkins indicated that a number of their full-time business students are international and this would impact them. There was also argument for a gradual fee increase.

c. Other

8. New Business
a. Drops, Withdrawals, Incompletes, and Repeat Policies: Jim Postma reported excellent responses from campuses on this issue even though there was a short turn-around time. He has drafted a resolution that attempts to capture the feedback. Discussion focused first on the negative responses from campuses and things that ASCSU would oppose. Discussion then turned to Task Force recommendations that received support from campuses. There was discussion of recommendations under each of the categories: Incompletes; withdrawals and repeats.
Jim Postma will rework the resolution in terms of the committee discussion and have it ready for the November meeting.
b. Facilitating Graduation- The committee believes that there has been adequate action and discussion of this report by the Senate. Further, the Facilitating Graduation visits demonstrate that campuses are working on implementing the recommendations and much is being done to accomplish the goals envisioned in the report.

c. Remediation- TEKR is taking the lead on this item. Jackie suggested that we could recommend focus on “Early Start” programs since these appear to have good potential to address the problem. It was decided that we would wait for the resolution from TEKR to add our suggestions in November.

d. ASCSU Committee on International and Global Education- There was discussion of the resolution entitled: “Support of Internationalization of CSU Educational programs. There was concern about the use of the term “internationalization.” What does it mean? Does it mean study abroad? Further, recommendations from ASCSU on what should be in RTP policies treads on campus autonomy. Further, will this open the door to other kinds of resolutions supporting, for example, biotechnology and sustainability, into the curriculum? Finally, how is language learning related to internationalization?

e. Response to ICAS Resolution concerning CAHSEE – It was decided to not act on this issue.

f. The Voluntary System of Accountability/The Collegiate Learning Assessment-Jim Postma will bring the resolution from CSU, Chico as a starting point for our discussion and action.

g. Council for Library Directors Strategic Plan- Jackie will share the latest plan coming from COLD.

h. Career Technical Education
i. The Digital Marketplace and Academic Technology
j. CSU Funding Issues: State Support, Fees, Differentials…
k. Accreditation Issues
l. Access to Excellence- Vince Buck will work up some bullet points for a resolution on this.
m. The Ed.D and other Doctoral Programs- Jim raised the question- do we want to do a resolution in support of the Doctorate in Nursing Practice? The answer from the committee was affirmative. Andrea Boyle will work on a draft resolution on this topic for the November meeting.

n. Other- A resolution was received from FGA concerning support of the distinctiveness of institutions. The committee decided that it would support this resolution.

o. Possible resolution on priorities for ATAC.

9. **Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.