Members Present:
Praveen Soni, Chair (Long Beach); Jim LoCascio Vice Chair (San Luis Obispo);
Otto Benavides, (Fresno); Steven Browne, (Maritime); Kate Fawver (Dominguez Hills);
Eileen Klink (Long Beach); Thomas Krabacher (Sacramento); Martin Linder (San Francisco); and
Cezar Ornatowski (San Diego).

Regrets: James E. Swartz (Pomona).

Guests:
Steven Filling, ASCSU Executive Committee, Vice Chair.

1. Welcome and Call to Order: Praveen Soni, Chair 10:08AM.

2. Agenda Approval: An amended order of the agenda was approved which included discussion of
   ASCSU budget priorities for next year.

3. Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the FGA meeting of January 16, 2013 were approved
   without changes.

Chair’s Report: Praveen Soni

• The chair reported that the Executive Committee would like a list of priorities for the 2013-
  2014 ASCSU budget.
• All faculty are required to report any suspected child abuse; the Chancellor’s office will
  rewrite EO1083 to clearly delineating system wide rules for implementation and a training
  video for faculty and staff will be unveiled as early as next week.
• The “golden four” courses will now require a C average instead of a minimum C grade in
  each class.
• The Chancellor’s Office has not as yet commented on the January resolutions.
• As per the Executive Committee, ASCSU senators should be providing feedback on issues
  through appropriate committees and not as individuals.
• Steve Filling will report on and discuss educational legislation during his noontime phone
  call.
• The Chair reported that the AA committee may like to cosponsor the sustainability
  resolution. We will know after the meeting today.
• Judith Heiman from the LAO office will meet with FGA Committee during the March
  meeting and she may also address the full senate.
5. Other Brief Reports: FGA Senators

- Otto Benavides reported that he met with Ruth Black and there is a concern that there will be broad legislation dealing with the whole gamut of online education and courses. Tom Krabacher said that the legislation does not have a sponsor yet and that all new bills must be presented by February 22 and that we should wait until then to look at the bills. Otto thought that someone from the central valley was sponsoring the online bill. It was determined that Assemblyman Levine may be the originator of the proposed bill.

6. Executive Committee Liaison: Steven Filling:

- Steven reported that during the ASCSU March Plenary meeting we will; (1) celebrate the 50th anniversary of the CSU from noon till 5pm on Thursday (2) the faculty trustee candidates will make presentations Thursday morning and the body will vote on Friday morning (3) there will be an orientation for new senators at lunch on Friday.
- Trustee Cheyne reported that the Chancellor and the BOT will meet with campus constituents of those campuses that have interim Presidents and then based upon those meetings will decide whether or not to make them permanent.
- A task force on MOOC’s and online education will be meeting in March. The task force is made up of members from the Chancellor’s Office, CSSA and the ASCSU.
- The EO-1083, Mandatory Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect, makes faculty responsible to report any child abuse and neglect that they suspect is happening to their students. It is estimated that 90% of the faculty are unaware of what is expected of them. The CSU and the CFA will work together to offer appropriate online training.
- Where the boys are? The CSU recognizes that women are the majority of CSU students and this issue must be addressed. It was noted that if both genders are not educated in approximately equal numbers that it may lead to future societal problems.
- Ruth Black the director of CalState Online is moving ahead with this initiative.
- Karen Y. Zamarripa; Assistant Vice Chancellor reported on current legislation to the executive committee. She reported that the CSU is attempting to actively influence legislation early in the process.

7. Planning and preparation for Spring Advocacy in Sacramento and In District.

- Tom Krabacher gave an overview of the legislative process including the following (1) 2000 bills get introduced annually and have a two year life (2) currently between 600 & 700 bills have been introduced and February 22nd is the deadline for introducing bills (4) There appear to be approximately 30 bills of interest to the CSU and faculty; those that have been introduced so far have been emailed to the committee.
Steve Filling expressed concern on how the ASCSU presents itself to the legislators and pointed out that (1) squeezing our budget causes decreased quality (2) we should present data to back up our claims on such topics as early-start and TMC’s (3) there should be a careful analysis of Governor Brown’s proposed budget. Cezar stated that we cannot tell legislators not to legislate but for them to consult the ASCSU to insure that the legislation will accomplish its goal. Eileen stated that as is written in the talking points document, our current state appropriation is equivalent to that of 1996-97 but with 90,000 more students. Tom stated that Robert Turnage believes that the Governor’s higher education budget will pass as proposed.

The committee decided to schedule the Advocacy day on Tuesday April 9th. Depending on the budget, the participants will be limited to the FGA committee and the Executive Committee. If there is budget we will meet Monday night for a Tuesday visit, otherwise it will be a morning to evening advocacy on April 9. Cezar and Martin will try to edit the talking points for the next meeting. Otto has volunteered to produce a DVD for us to leave along with the brochure.

8. **Second reading resolutions for March Plenary.**
   
a. **CSU Commitment to Sustainability in Higher Education-Praveen.** Praveen made the changes to the resolution based upon the feedback at the January plenary meeting. The AA committee was interested in cosponsoring this resolution. Steven Browne expressed concern that signing sustainability commitments could be costly and gave the example of Cal Maritime’s operation of a large old ship, which may be hard to make sustainable. It was also noted that campuses with power plants could also have some difficulty with sustainable agreements.

b. **AB 67 freeze on Student Tuition Fees Increases-Tom.** Tom introduced the senate bill counterpart SB-58. The committee has feedback from the January Plenary and Tom will continue to work on and incorporate the feedback to the resolution language to present as a second reading.

c. **Task Force to Study CSU Student Tuition Fees and Financial Aid Support-Jim LoCascio.** It was noted that the killing of the SUG resolution was less than collegial with the AA committee introducing resolutions countering the one from FGA rather than a full discussion, introduction of amendments, and voting at the plenary. Praveen was asked to take this up with the Executive Committee, and he informed Steve Filling, ASCSU Vice chair about it. Jim L reported that there has been an email exchange of ideas with AA member Barry Pasternack as to what the task force should be investigating; this included but is not limited to (1) eligibility, timelines, duration of Pell Grants, Cal Grants, and State University Grants (2) tuition models, fee models, non-resident students tuition (3) the cost to educate a student by program. Jim will work on specific language to be inserted in the task force resolution.
d. On Funding the CSU Under the California Master Plan for Higher Education. There was
discussion on (1) Is the Master Plan Viable? (2) What is Governor Brown’s vision for the
CSU? (3) Will the legislators take a more active role in the mission of the CSU? (4) Will
Chancellor White have new ideas? It was felt that a detailed analysis on determining
funding on the basis of the master plan is likely to be cumbersome and not be fruitful. Thus,
a good metric would be to multiply the number of eligible students who were denied
admission to the CSU with the state funding per student.

9. Possible Resolutions:

a. Kate Fawver suggested that FGA write a resolution on gun safety and control on
campus. There was a lively discussion most of which was not in favor of writing such a
resolution. It was pointed out that California has lots of state gun laws and counties
and cities have additional gun laws. It was pointed out that urban campuses may have
a different view than non-urban campuses on gun control.

10. CSU budget data for the last five years showing sources and uses of funds under major
headings of revenue and expenditures: George Ashkar will be invited to speak to us during the
March Plenary.

11. The Committee discussed the ASCSU budget priorities for next year and recommended that
the September meetings be a 3-day event and not 2 days, and that the teleconference interim
committee meetings be changed to face-to-face meetings to improve efficiency. Finally, if
funds permitted, the third senator from the large campuses should be funded for reassigned
time.

It was also noted that although it is not part of the ASCSU budget, the Academic Conference
be reinstated where trustees, administrators, senators, presidents and others would meet
annually and discuss and exchange ideas and views. It was felt to be very productive when it
was held in the past, but was discontinued due to a lack of funds.

12. Adjourn 12:55 pm

Meeting minutes submitted by Jim G. LoCascio, FGA Vice Chair.