In attendance: Praveen Soni, Steve Browne, Erick Eschker, Kate Fawver, Eileen Klink, Thomas Krabacher, Steven Stambough, Cezar Ornatowski, Stephen Stambough; Guests: Karen YZ, Ryan Storm, Sedong John, Steve Filling, Andy Merrifield

Meeting Commenced: 11:06

1. Approval of the agenda as amended – unanimously approved

2. Approval of the minutes of meeting of February 21, 2014 – unanimously approved

3. Chair’s report
   - Executive Committee thanks the committee for our work
   - Executive Committee is concerned by sparse attendance at interim meetings
   - ASCSU budget priorities:
     o Summer stipends for Executive Committee
     o Funding the third senator from the 7 largest campuses
     o Increased travel budget
     o Funding face-to-face interim meetings
     o Funding ICAS expenses
   - Executive Committee is considering a Senator’s request for a new standing committee on Academic Freedom
   - Executive Committee is not pleased with C/O’s response to ASCSU resolution on Title 5 amendment. AA is preparing a response. Email Chris Miller with suggestions.
   - AA may ask FGA if we are interested in cosponsoring a resolution regarding BA degrees in CCC’s.

4. Other brief reports. None.

5. Legislative and Advocacy Update – AVC Karen YZ from Sacramento (call commenced 11:15)
   - About 4500 bills have been introduced. Her office is analyzing about 2000 bills that are of interest to the CSU. We don’t have many active positions to date. Bills of interest:
     o SB 1210 – Creates a loan program for undocumented students. A joint bill with UC. Will be a priority bill.
     o AB 1456 (Pay it Forward Bill) - CSU has significant concerns, largely due to fiscal impact and necessity to create new administrative system to collect owed funds.
     o SB 967 (Sexual Assault on Campuses) - Will likely support the bill but bill language should be revised.
Several bills relate to Cal Grants. We will consider supporting one or two. All of them cost money and we hesitate to support increased costs while asking for an increased budget.

Online learning bill (Levine) – Still a spot bill. We’ll wait to see how it develops.

CSU will likely not support the 2 CFA sponsored bills: AB 2153 (Grey) on supplanting by Extended Ed and SB 1325 (Yee).

Question: any changes to SB 850 (Block) concerning BA degrees at Community Colleges? Answer: not yet. Senator Block is intending to proceed with the bill.

Question: any position on Confederate Flag bill? Answer: we don’t intend to take a position as doing so brings little value to the CSU.

Question: how is the budget advocacy coming? Answer: We are steadily working on the increased revenue but we aren’t there yet.

- Tuesday, March 18 was CSU advocacy day in Sacramento. Focused on budget ($95 million increase). The Assembly is favorable, the Senate is lukewarm.

6. Budget Update – Interim AVC Ryan Storm (Commenced 1:30 pm)
   - He and Karen YZ put together common talking points for budget advocacy.
   - The Assembly strongly supports increasing the CSU budget by $95 million; the Senate less so.
   - The LAO has recommended that the CSU raise tuition 5%, increase FTES by 7,000 and a 2% CPI increase. They ignored capital needs and maintenance.
   - Question: What is the impact of campus Student Success fees? Answer: Many legislators express opposition to these fees. The Chancellor emphasizes that these fees are symptoms of inadequate funding. There is some talk on fee buyouts.

7. CSU Financial Statements for last five years ending June 30, 2014 – Mr. Sedong John (Commenced 2:00 pm)
   - The attached document was reviewed and discussed.
   - Mr. John agreed to provide more information regarding State University Grants

8. CFA Report – Andy Merrifield (Commenced 3:30)
   - SB 1325 (Yee) – CFA sponsored. Data collected by outside contractors must be treated the same way as the CSU treats it. It insures privacy of students and intellectual property rights of faculty when dealing with outside contractors.
   - AB 2153 (Grey) – CFA sponsored. Defines supplanting. This would enable auditors to examine state support / self-support issues. CFA opposes AB 2610 (Williams).
   - AB 1750 (Allejo) – CFA supports. Requires DOE to require teaching ethnic studies in high schools.
   - SB 967 – CFA supports. Reporting of Sexual Assault on campus. Would add to list of crimes required to be reported.
   - SB 1017 (Evans) – CFA supports. Oil severance tax.
   - Please send bills of concern to the CFA.
   - CalPERS – Every three years CalPERS needs to look at pension contributions. The specific contribution amount is not negotiated by the CFA.
- CFA Budget advocacy – Established budget action teams on each campus. The teams are urging OpEd pieces, organizing lobbying, communicating with faculty, etc. Working jointly with the CSU and ASCSU on advocacy.

9. Executive Committee Liaison – Steve Filling (Commenced 4:00)
   - FGA Omnibus resolution. If a bill position changes, FGA and ExComm would make the changes and report to the ASCSU in the May plenary.
   - CSSA would like ASCSU support for voluntary statewide student fee that would fund CSSA.
   - The ExComm is reviewing procedures for election of Executive Committee. Ballots were submitted.

10. Omnibus Resolution on Legislative Bills – First Reading / Waiver
    - Resolution language discussed and perfected. Approved unanimously.

11. Planning for ASCSU/FGA Advocacy on April 22, 2014
    - Tom K. will develop the list of legislators to visit; Praveen and Tom will make appointments; Stephen Stambough will provide information on the legislators and their districts.
    - Cezar Ornatowski will create a handout based on last year’s ASCSU brochure and budget talking points.

Meeting adjourned: 5:30

Minutes taken by Steve Browne