ASCSU Executive Committee Teleconference
June 10, 2014
Minutes

Present: Steven Filling, Susan Gubernat, Diana Guerin, Chris Miller, Praveen Soni

Meeting was called to order at 2:32 PM.

1. Approval of Agenda. Approved without changes.

2. Approval of Minutes of May 28, May 30, and June 2 approved as amended.

3. Announcements
   The Chair reported on the most recent Academic Council meeting where, among other issues, there was discussion about not putting any new MA programs through under state support. At the meeting, the East Bay Provost argued that any programs whose enrollments are under 15 should be put on-line as part of a system-wide consortium in order to make them “sustainable.” About Course Match: There has been no discussion so far about articulation among majors on separate campuses. At this point, prerequisites cannot be checked at the system level. Also brought up: that LMS as a single package would be more efficient throughout the system. CIOs have a survey indicating that 50% of faculty are not using LMS “correctly”—though what that might mean remains somewhat unclear. One example mentioned was that all syllabi need to be online, which would indicate system-wide thinking about the direction to take CourseMatch. This summer it was reported that everything on CourseMatch should be in self-support, and there will be an effort to get to 1000 courses on CourseMatch within the next two semesters, it is said, in response to legislation. Meanwhile, there was no explanation of why the Online Commission meeting on June 2 was cancelled at the last minute. Ruth Black seems to still be in a position of responsibility. CSSA leadership has asked for a session on GE for their July retreat; the students are beginning to ask questions about the role of GE and are interested in a knowing the faculty’s perspective on GE’s role in the baccalaureate degree. Their concern seems related to the ICAS discussion recently in regard to what the UC Board wants to hear about the very nature of a Baccalaureate, with a focus on GE, and there are campus initiatives (East Bay was mentioned) to re-tool GE programs. The Chair expressed the desire to find a way for APEP and AA to work with GEAC to do a holistic, pervasive review of GE within the system. The Chair will meet with the Chancellor on June 24 to discuss and set parameters in the relationship between chair and chancellor.
4. System-wide Committee Assignments: ACTION
Senators’ preferences for such assignments were discussed in detail and final assignments to committees were made. It was decided to include the entire Executive Committee in the Academic Conference Committee after clarifying that this committee is expected to implement the upcoming November Academic Conference, not plan for future conferences at this time. It is likewise important to get those senators who have expressed their interest to work on the current conference.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:07.