Extended Executive Committee Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, March 2, 2016  
8:30 AM – 10:00 AM  
Munitz Room

1. Call to Order  
With a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order.

2. Attendance  
a. Extended Exec time certain 8:30-10:00  
b. The following ASCSU ExCom members were in attendance: Steven Filling (Chair), Christine Miller (Vice Chair), Robert Keith Collins (Secretary), Praveen Soni (At-Large), Darlene Yee-Melichar (At-Large), Steven Stepanek (Faculty Trustee).  
c. The following ASCSU Standing Committee Chairs were in attendance: Manzar Foroohar (Chair, FA), Denise Fleming (APEP), Tom Krabacher (FGA), Catherine Nelson (Academic Affairs), Tracy Butler, Academic Senate Office.

3. Approval of Agenda  
The Agenda was approved.

4. Approval of Minutes  
12 Feb zoom meeting. The Minutes were approved.

5. Announcements  
a. ITL Advisory Board  
Senator Yee-Melichar reported that the ITL Advisory Board met yesterday. It is a 16-member board. According to the By-laws, the ASCSU is entitled to five representatives on the Board. The Board is in the process of revising its By-laws. The question posed by Senator Yee-Melichar was whether or not to leave the membership from ASCSU at 5, rather than reduce it to four. The Board agreed to leave representation at 5 senators to the ITL Advisory Board.

b. ASCSU Faculty-to-Faculty Newsletter  
Senator Yee-Melichar reported that the ASCSU Faculty-to-Faculty Newsletter is now online. She requested that all Standing Committee Chairs remind their members that contributions to the next newsletter are welcome and thanked them for their contributed reports.
6. Reports

Chair

Chair Filling reported that he gave a presentation at the BoT kickoff and that there would be ongoing conversations on specific campuses regarding the strike. The CFA suggested that it is important to have issues dealt with locally. During the strike the campuses will be empty. The academic senate offices will be open; however, business will be limited, as faculty will not be engaged in work. A listing was sent out regarding Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity (RSCA) allocations. An information sheet would be prepared for campus senate chairs. Chair Filling also reported that Dr. Zed Mason, Associate Dean of Research and External Support would serve as Interim Assistant Vice Chancellor, Research Initiatives and Partnerships. During their last plenary the Academic Senate Chairs were concerned about the relationship between faculty information and development efforts on campuses. These concerns will be addressed at a future plenary. Executive Vice Chancellor (EVC) Blanchard was consulted about the need for more meetings between the CO and the ASCSU. Presidential searches and campus visits are the reason why meetings been limited. ExCom would continue pursing strategies for increasing meetings with Chancellor White. Chair Filling further reported that the Intersegmental Committee of the Academic Senates (ICAS) met in February and that the meeting schedule would be changed to April 5 due to the potential CSU strike. Christian Osmena of the California Department of Finance has been consulted monthly and his concerns centered on getting faculty for the CSU and the need for compensation. Mr. Osmena would consult with FGA and phone in to the meetings. Chair Filling attended the California State Student Association (CSSA) meeting. Although students did not discuss the possible strike, extensive discussion occurred on Open Education Resources (OER). There is also a strong federal push for OER. Chair Filling also attended the California conference of the American Association of University Professors (AAUP). Senator Mark Wheeler spoke on academic freedom and San Diego State’s efforts to create a policy. The resulting policy may be a model to observe. The Quantitative Reasoning Task Force met last week. Professor Kate Stevenson from CSU Northridge and Common Core gave presentations. The Lieutenant Governor Newsom’s staff also attended the meeting and paid close attention to discussions. Industry was represented as well. Discussion during the meeting centered on what kind of quantitative reasoning skills would be expected of CSU students upon entrance. Industry representatives focused on computer science training; however, the CSU is not expected to train people to work in programming. Instead, individuals taught reasoning skills are desired. A-G requirements would continue to be used and Area C would need qualification as to whether or not a computer science class could suffice as a math class. Chair Filling also attended the UC articulation meeting. Discussions centered on transfer using STATWAY and CAPP. Teaching by engagement was a theme throughout most presentations. Chair Filling met with Gerry Hanley, Senior Director for Academic Technology Services.
The California Open Educational Resources Council (COERC) funds will expire this year. A smaller group will replace the work of the current committee. The California Community Colleges (CCC) have expressed concerns about COERC funding. The retrospective on Cal State Online will be presented at a future meeting. It is important to understand the costs Cal State Online and what was learned from past practices. The following concerns and questions were raised:

a. Some campus presidents are suggesting that the strike structure is illegal. The strike structure legal?

b. To what extent would a computer science course and degree involve the types of mathematics that are in the other sciences?

c. It is important that high school algebra requirements be completed.

d. It is important to discuss why the math is so rigorous in the other sciences.

e. It is important to pay attention to conflicting initiatives.

f. Chair Fleming invited Trustee Stepanek to attend APEP.

**Vice Chair**

Vice Chair Miller reported that she attended a session on tracking during education years. Discussions were largely anecdotal. The CCC has become more aggressive on the 60 unit limit. They want 65 units. They may appeal to the legislature. Their rationale is that Title V allows for this 65 unit requirement and remediation required them to go passed 60 units. It is important that ExCom play close attention to the impact that this new unit requirement would have on the CSU and the extent to which time to degree would factor into this issue also needs to be discussed. The following concerns and questions were raised:

a. Is a resolution necessary that calls for maintaining the integrity and quality of our current transfer pathways?

b. To what extent might the 120-unit limit be rescinded?

c. How do we balance intersegmental collegiality with appropriate self-advocacy?

d. It is important that the resolution points out the successes already had.

**Academic Affairs (AA)**

Chair Nelson reported that the Academic Affairs committee would resolutions for format and conceptualization. The Resolution on Selection of Faculty to Serve on Honorary Degree Committees would be revised for Second Reading and the Resolution on Concerns About Campus Presidents’ Communication Regarding Classroom Discussion of Possible Strike Action would be drafted for First Reading and a waiver would be requested. A Resolution on Tracking Associate Degrees for Transfer would also be drafted. Chair Nelson further reported that the committee would meet with Nathan Evans, Chief of Staff, Academic and Student Affairs and Eric Forbes, Assistant Vice Chancellor (AVC) Student Academic Support. Central in this meeting would be consultation on the issues surrounding the resolution on
campus presidents’ response letters about the strike and online education. Formulas related to workload and undergraduate research space will also be discussed. AVC Mallon would also be consulted on the Title V Masters Degree Requirements. The following concerns and questions were raised:

a. It is important to suggest that messages come from some presidents and not all.

**Academic Preparation and Education Programs (APEP)**
Chair Fleming reported that APEP would meet with Ruth Yopp-Edwards from Bechtel would visit with APEP and Joan Bissell and Jim Postma would phone in for this discussion. The resolution on the new student profile in first reading may be tabled until the May meeting, in light of the food insecurity issues that have arisen. The committee would also discuss the Second Reading Resolution on Support for Four Years of Mathematics as a Requirement for Admissions to the California State University. Conversations would center on the need for bifurcated pathways. The following concerns and questions were raised:

a. Is it possible to have a resolution that places the transfer issue in a larger context? Which legislation works and which does not should be the foci, rather than the CCC.

b. It is important to consider timely implementation to facilitate effectiveness in transfer.

c. It is important that APEP discuss senior year math. This issue was under discussion at the UC conference and emphasis was placed on taking math during the senior year, rather than before.

**Faculty Affairs (FA)**
Chair Foroohar reported that FA would discuss one Second Reading resolution and three First Reading resolutions. The resolution Reaffirming the Principle of Shared Governance Within the California State University (CSU) would be considered for revision. The resolution on the Rise of Islamophobia would be discussed in relationship to the campus specific examples that have now been gathered to support concerns and deficiencies raised in the previous draft. The resolution In Support of Increased Funding for the Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activities (RCSA) Program would also be discussed. Central in this discussion would be the creation of a rationale for why the current $2.5 million allocation is not enough. Chair Foroohar further reported that FA would continue discussing campus presidents’ response to the possible strike and CSU policy on Background-Checks and more information would be sought on the potential impact of this policy on applicants to the CSU.

**Fiscal and Government Affairs (FGA)**
Chair Krabacher reported that FGA’s work would be divided between finalizing bill priorities and advocacy planning. A First Reading Waiver would be requested for Resolution on 2016 Legislative Advocacy Positions of the Academic Senate
California State University. FGA would review legislation for direct and indirect interest and impact to the CSU. The committee has assisted greatly with the monitoring. 105 bills have been reviewed, conference calls were had, and the priority list created would be refined today. A focused tier ranking will be used, as has been in the past. Emphasis will be placed on issues of immediate concerns. APEP has been consulted on the significant amount of legislation related to teacher preparation. Higher education placeholder bills would also be watched. Chair Krabacher further reported that the ExCom recommendation to contact stakeholders has been engaged; however, CSUEU has not begun their monitoring of legislation. The April 12, 2016 advocacy date allows an extra week for planning. FGA would also introduce a Resolution Regarding the Evaluation of Online Teaching in First Reading. The 2014 California State Student Association (CSSA) reports would be reviewed for relevance to the resolution. The Academic Affairs committee would also be consulted. This goal of this resolution is to call for action for governing how courses are administered on campuses, the number of courses offered, and who takes the classes. Lastly, FGA would meet with AVC Margaret Merryfield, Academic Human Resources to review the faculty recruitment report. The following concerns and questions were raised:

a. Will APEP be making recommendations to the FGA on the Omnibus bill?

b. All recommendations would be open to change. 1800 new bills were introduced before the deadline.

c. It is important to review the recommendations with a page-by-page process.

d. Will we be meet for orientation before meeting with legislators?

e. The following process will be used: Assemble at 9:00a.m. and meeting at 10:00a.m. We will end at 5:00p.m. Everyone should stay as long as possible.

f. Will consistent talking points be developed surrounding the strike?

g. Will district office visits occur before or after capital visits?

7. Extended ExCom Adjournment

The Extended ASCSU Executive Committee adjourned at 10:00a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Robert Keith Collins, ASCSU Secretary