ASCSU EXTENDED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2015
8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Munitz Room

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

Attendance
a. The following ASCSU Executive Committee members were in attendance: Steven Filling (Chair), Christine Miller (Vice Chair), Robert Keith Collins (Secretary), Praveen Soni (At-Large), Steven Stepanek (Faculty Trustee), Darlene Yee-Melichar (At-Large) Tracy Butler (Academic Senate Office).
b. The following ASCSU Standing Committee Chairs were in attendance: Manzar Foroohar (Chair, FA), Denise Fleming (APEP), Tom Krabacher (FGA), Catherine Nelson (Academic Affairs), Mark Wheeler (Legislative Specialist).

Liaison time (3:30)

Approval of Agenda
a. The Agenda was Approved.

Approval of Minutes
a. 17 August, 2015 face-to-face minutes The Minutes were approved.

Announcements
a. Announcements were made. Three senators, Eadie, Neto, and Davis, will be invited to meet from 2:30p.m. - 3:00p.m. The Chancellor’s Office (CO) Liaison to Fiscal and Government Affairs (FGA) will be determined in the near future. Senator Soni will remind chairs to collect $35.00 for senators to the social fund.

6. Reports
a. Chair
Extended ExCom heard a report from Chair Filling. Central in this report were the following points:
   1. The Academic Council of provosts will meet on September 29, 2015.
      Chair Filling will attend on September 30, 2015. Senator Soni will attend at the second part of the meeting on September 30, 2015: 9:00a.m. -12:00p.m.
II. The Intersegmental Committee of the Academic Senates (ICAS) met in June and the University of California (UC) Academic Senate will take over to lead the meetings this year. Open Education Resources work will continue. A report will be produced later this fall. Several discussions occurred on California Community College (CCC) Baccalaureate degrees. Central in these discussions was the issue of upper division General Education (GE) and the quality of CCC BA programs. The issue before us is what to do with those that want to transfer to the CSU. CCC has said that they will propose changes to Title V.

III. A statement on Natural Science Competencies was created last year. Senators are encouraged to provide comments.

IV. CCC mentioned that they want to switch from the Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) to the Western Association of Schools & Colleges (WASC).

V. Trustee Monville will not be seeking reappointment to the Board of Trustees (BoT) next year. Trustee Becky Eisen will be invited to the November plenary. Monville will be attending the plenary tomorrow.

VI. The issue of tenure density was raised with the Chancellors Office (CO). The BoT may ask the CO for a matrix on addressing tenure density. Targets set in ACR 73 may be of concern.

VII. Chair Filling attended the CFA Fall Kick-off. The California Faculty Association (CFA) and the CO are at an impasse. CFA President Jen Eagan will explain next-steps in the bargaining process at plenary.

VIII. The Provost of CSU San Bernardino was dismissed without consultation. The response from the CO was that shared leadership was not shared decision making.

IX. Last week, Chair Filling visited CSU Chico and was invited to the Senate retreat. This retreat consisted of 1/3 faculty, 1/3 students, and administrators. Turned into an open forum. Shared governance issues are of great concern. Shared governance statements can be found in HEERA, campus constitutions, BOT collegiality statement, etc.

X. Executive Vice Chancellors (EVC) Loren J. Blanchard and Lori Lamb visited Chico and participated in a panel and discussion. The focus of their participation was on the need for a new president. Faculty were interested in the search process. It is important to share with our colleagues that the search process should be open. It will be important to examine presidential searches.

1. The following concerns and questions were raised:

   (a) What can we do to ensure that candidates are brought to campuses and campus communities allowed to offer input?

   (b) Is there a way to expand faculty leadership participation in the search process?
(c) Is it possible to get evidence to support the need for greater faculty involvement?

XI. WICHE has removed the vast majority of the information that lent the illusion that the CSU and Academic Senate support the Passport. WICHE has been told that the CSU will be a discussant.

XII. The Task Force will take feedback on the Ethnic Studies Report until the end of September.

XIII. The committee behind the Sustainable Financial Model Report has not met since April. Vice Chancellor (VC) Relyea will attend plenary to discuss the report. Senators should examine this information and share widely.

XIV. A request for increases in the Academic Senate travel budget has been made.

XV. Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium (SBAC) will convene over next year’s funding.

XVI. Senate Chairs are meeting October 8, 2015.

XVII. Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities (RSCA) will be funded at $2.5 million. Allocations for campuses will be determined at a future date.

XVIII. A handout will be provided at plenary on emergency procedures.

XIX. Director Leo Van Cleve will be sitting in on the plenary.

XX. Discussion of the CCC BAs of Auto design, respiratory therapy, occupational health services, etc. will continue to be discussed. It is important to convene the discussion groups on these BA degrees as soon as possible. It is important to show where consultation was effective and where it wasn’t.

XXI. Zoom conferences will replace the toll-free dial in meetings.

1. The following concerns and questions were raised:

   (a) Will any training be provided?

   (b) When will training occur?

   (c) It is possible for Committee Chairs to volunteer a Zoom training for their members.

XXII. GEAC has discussed STATWAY. The Math Council is not in favor of replacing intermediate algebra with STATWAY, as it takes out the vast majority of intermediate algebra components. The CCC is pushing to make the STATWAY pilot permanent. There are issues that arise with the statistics used to support the viability of STATWAY. The pilot will continue for three years for five campuses.

1. The following questions were raised:

   (a) It seems that this discussion may end up in a presentation to the BoT.
(b) It is important that the BoT receives a holistic – rather than selective - presentation of the situation. Too much anecdotal evidence is being used.

(c) CAPP seems to be an alternative.

(d) PowerPoint slides used during the meeting are public.

(e) Is it possible to create a White Paper?

(f) It is important to have a first reading resolution that suggests we are discussing these issues, the bar, and calling for a disciplinary group to revisit the relationship between the CSU bar on quantitative reasoning and STATWAY.

(g) Do APEP and Academic Affairs have the background to get this job done?

(h) It is important to consult with discipline specific faculty.

(i) How long are we willing to wait for an answer on STATWAY?

(j) Was there appropriate assessment done?

(k) It is important to pay close attention to themes of race and socio-economic background.

b. Committee Chairs

1. Academic Affairs (AA) - The Extended ExCom heard a report from Chair Catherine Nelson. Central in this report were the following points:

   1. The committee will discuss the Ethnic Studies Report.
   2. A co-sponsored APEP and FGA Commendation Resolution on CSU CASHEE Decision will be explored.
   3. The applied baccalaureate degree will be examined.
   4. Master Degree requirements, conceptual requirements for the MA, and necessary Title V changes will also be examined.
   5. The Ethnic Studies Task Force Report, the Sustainable Financial Model Report, and STATWAY will also be examined.

   (a) The following concerns and questions were raised:

      i. Will the applied BA be a discussion or resolution?
      ii. Will waivers be requested?
      iii. It may be useful to consult widely on the workload issues discussed.
      iv. A long-standing concern is that we need a statement on what constitutes upper division course work.
         v. The Sustainability, Campus as a Living Lab, working group will create a model on a system wide minor.
      vi. Sections 8.1-8.2 of the report on Access to Excellence might speak to some of these issues.
vii. It might be a good idea to get the campus senate chairs involved in the discussion of upper division GE, as some campuses already have active definitions.

viii. To what extent is a system wide minor possible? Is this not a campus specific issue?

ix. Is Academic Affairs (AA) still paying attention to Course Match? Is it possible to get an update on the current numbers, etc.?

II. Academic Preparation and Education Programs Committee (AEPF)
- The Extended ExCom heard a report from Chair Denise Fleming. Central in this report were the following points:
  1. New members will be introduced. Chancellor’s Office Liaisons will not be able to meet with APEP until tomorrow.
  2. APEP will review the 2014-15 Annual Report and the Committee’s Charge.
  3. New business will include a debriefing with Mark Van Selst and other GEAC members on APEP about the GEAC meeting yesterday, particularly the new iteration of statistical curricular pathway pilots.
  4. Beverly Young has retired and will no longer be the APEP liaison. The committee will work on a Resolution for her.
  5. If time permits, the committee will review the Sustainable Financial Model Task Force report.

III. Faculty Affairs (FA) - The Extended ExCom heard a report from Chair Manzar Foroohar. Central in this report were the following points:
  1. The committee will engage in the following:
     (a) Academic Freedom and Shared Governance
        i. A CSU working group on Academic Freedom policy will convene this fall after the arrival of EVC Blanchard.
        ii. There are several cases where shared governance has been problematic. Faculty has been excluded from search committees. The policy on background checks for CSU employees is also of concern. The committee will examine the extent to which this practice impacts minorities. The possibility for Resolutions will also be discussed.
        iii. The committee will explore the issue of including lecturers in orientation programs for new faculty.
iv. The committee will review the Ethnic Studies Task Force report for possible actions and recommendations.

v. The 1987 report on RSCA will be revisited. The committee will also revisit the CSU policy on Intellectual property, as it related to online courses.

- The following concerns and questions were raised:
  - Why should campuses endorse the system-wide statement?
  - To what extent should the Wisconsin law against tenure be examined?
  - Will the committee examine the $15 minimum wage issue?
  - Policy says that administrators can determine which faculty should be subject to background checks.
  - It is important to see what campus senates have to say about background checks.
  - How are faculty supposed to do background checks on faculty members?

IV. Fiscal and Government Affairs (FGA) - The Extended ExCom heard a report from Chair Tom Krabacher. Central in this report were the following points:

1. The FGA Agenda will be as follows:
   (a) Finishing up loose ends from the spring legislative calendar. 36 bills are being monitored.
   (b) The statuses in the legislative bill grid will be updated. This update will be presented at the plenary.
   (c) Fact finding on legislation will be engaged.
   (d) The formation of a small advocacy group to Sacramento will be explored. Their goal will be to meet with staffers.
   (e) The Ethnic Studies Task Force Report and the Fiscal Sustainability Report will be examined.
   (f) The Applied Baccalaureate Degree will also be examined.
   (g) The following concerns and questions were raised:
      i. Within the Financial Sustainability Report, no appendices exist. Was this presented to the BoT? Is it possible to see the appendices?
      ii. Is it possible for FGA to relay to legislators that Academic Freedom is a CSU priority?
iii. Is it possible for the committee to weigh in on whether or not campuses without Student Success Fees will be able to ask for them?

iv. SB 172 SB 707 will be examined.

7. Vice Chair Report
A Report will be given at a future meeting.

8. Old Business
   a. CCC BA continuing concerns
      The Item was discussed. CCC BA will be discussed with Assistant Vice Chancellor (AVC) Chris Mallon.
   b. Legislative Specialist duties
   c. The Item was discussed. Central in this discussion were the following:
      I. The Sustainable Financial Model.
      II. AB 798 Open Education Resources (Dept of Finance will re-write a larger part of the bill.). Chair Filling will consult on this information this afternoon.
      III. Chair Filling suggested that senators look at current bills coming forward.

9. New Business
The Item was discussed. Central in this discussion were the following:
   a. STATWAY and quantitative reasoning.

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

Respectfully submitted by Robert Keith Collins, ASCSU Secretary