In August 2013, the Extended Executive Committee met in Long Beach to discuss the 2013-2014 priorities for the ASCSU standing committee. The following priorities were set for the Faculty Affairs Committee:

- Encourage recruitment and retention of tenure-track faculty to enhance academic quality.
- Seek enhanced funding support for faculty research, scholarship, and creative activities to promote student success and benefit society.
- Make recommendations for drafting an updated, clear, and comprehensive policy on academic freedom for the CSU.

Faculty Affairs Committee had productive and collegial meetings this year and the members contributed to the work of the committee with commitment and hard work. Committee's discussions and resolutions were framed in the context of the priorities set for the committee by the ASCSU Extended Executive Committee.

**FA Resolutions**

AS-3142-13/FA, [Addressing the Urgent Need for New Tenure Line Faculty in the California State University (CSU)]

AS-3156-13/FA, [Reinstatement of Faculty Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities Fund]

AS-3157-13/FA, [Recommendation on the Eligibility of Lecturers for Emeritus Status]

AS-3162-14/FA, [Facilitation of Communication Between ASCSU and Campus Faculty]

AS-3173-14/FA, [Eligibility Status for Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity Awards]
AS-3177-14/FA, Resolution of Commendation for James Till, Interim Assistant Vice Chancellor for Research Initiatives and Partnerships

**Co-sponsored resolutions:**

AS-3152-13/AA/FA, Concerns and Recommendations Regarding Cal State Online Reorganization
AS-3153-13/FGA/FA, Ensuring the Continuous Presence of a Faculty Trustee on the California State University Board of Trustees
AS-3160-13/EX/FA, Selection of Faculty Representatives in Shared Governance
AS-3164-14/AA/FA, In Support of Ethnic Studies in the California State University

**Other Action Items:**

FAC drafted a new policy on academic freedom to be presented to the Chancellor and the General Counsel for discussion and approval by the Board of Trustees.
FAC discussed and approved new outstanding faculty awards from several campuses to be highlighted on the CSU web site.
FAC hosted ASCSU Social in March.

**Issues discussed but no formal action taken:**

The Faculty Affairs Committee spent considerable time to discuss different issues related to academic freedom and intellectual property such as:
Existing CSU policy on academic freedom (1971)
California Public Records Request Act/Freedom of Information Act (UCLA policy)
Academic freedom and electronic communication
Creation of a new ASCSU committee on academic Freedom
Intellectual property and on-line courses
Course syllabi: Intellectual property of faculty? (Case of Department of Nursing at Dominguez Hills)

**Other issues of discussion:**

Free and open dissemination of research and scholarship (CSUN)
Student evaluations
Possibility of setting a limit on number of faculty awardees from each campus highlighted on the CSU new web page
Criteria for faculty spotlight awards
Role of lecturers in shared governance
Hate crimes on CSU campuses
Role of lecturers in shared governance
Charge for the CSU Task Force on the Advancement of Ethnic Studies
Banning video recording in class
CourseMatch and its impact on campus faculty's control over curriculum
Department chairs’ workload
Sexual violence on campus
Academic Senate CSU

Remaining issues for 2014-15 FA Committee

ASCSU committee on academic freedom
Draft policy on academic freedom
Intellectual property
Role of lecturers in shared governance  http://www.aaup.org/report/governance-inclusion
Student evaluations (local policies/impact on workload)
Faculty spotlight awards (approval of new awards)
Faculty spotlight awards (possible revision of the criteria in the light of issues arising from first-year implementation)
Research funds and initiatives
Faculty hiring
Faculty representation to committees/task forces/etc, local and statewide