Present: Roberts, Sabalius, Ornatowski, Foroohar, Davis, Kensinger, Van Cleve

1. Approval of Agenda approved/second
Discussion: re-ordering of Item 8 (see revised re-ordering below)

2. Approval of Minutes – Jan. 21, 2014
Minutes were revised and approved as revised

3. Member Announcements
- Discussed use of ZOOM instead of COLLABORATE – we agreed to test it; appears to be the way that the CO is going
- Cross-campus medical leave is being actively discussed by CO and CFA to allow for donations to Shane and others in need
- Wheeler has chosen to join FGA and move out of FA (rationale related to the fact that SDSU currently has 2 of its 3 Senators on the same committee; Ornatowski was consulted in advance

4. Reports
4.1 Chair: Manzar Foroohar (SLO)
- Sen Eudey has stepped down from all Senate commitments due to medical contingencies but FA will keep her on mailing list in case she wants to communicate on FA issues she had been working on
- Davis has agreed to step in as Vice Chair
- Report from Exec:
- AA: collecting data on high impact programs on diff campuses; they are also dealing w issues regarding Masters’ Programs – some campuses limit Masters’ level classes only to grad students; AA is also reviewing SB850 CC degree program
- APEP: no resolutions for Plenary in the pipeline
- FGA: happy to receive Wheeler; still working on perfecting their January resolution on Wiley Pubs – received information that some campuses have managed to negotiate a discount w Wiley and this will be reflected in the 2nd read resolution – e.g., SDSU has negotiated a discount (an individual campus ‘deal’) – Discussion: how can we translate these individual discount deals systemwide?; FGA organizing an orientation
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lunch for those participating in April Sacto lobby days at March plenary
- Filling reports that AVC Lamb wants to work on increasing TT hires in the CSU
- Filling reported on his meeting with campus senate chairs: Filling noted the campus
senate chairs’ desire to involve themselves in campus budget issues (greater
budget transparency as a goal)

4.3 Ethnic Studies Taskforce- Kensinger
- Lots of data has been gathered; subcommittees met twice in February; hoping to
report more on the progress of the taskforce report in March

4.4 CO Liaison, Leo VanCleve
- No significant update on academic freedom issue – however it is under discussion
(per CO recommendation) – this is, in a sense, good news-

4.5 Executive Committee Liaison: Susan Gubernat (time certain: 12:00-12:30)

5. Discussion of CO Response to FA January resolutions:
- Response to Academic Freedom resolution –
CO’s response says they will “closely examine” the matter although concern was expressed
that this response does not reflect Chancellor White’s spoken (to Plenary) desire to “be
involved in the conversation” – FA will ask Exec if a follow-up question to this response can
be placed on the agenda for Exec’s next mtg w the chancellor: Will there be a task force on
academic freedom? FA would like to stress that a new policy on academic freedom should
address w 2 issues: freedom of speech across all media platforms both old and new, and
freedom of faculty to criticize the institution. Committee members expressed concern that
this essential conversation will be delayed – if there’s no plan or task force set up before
May then we lose the whole summer – can we ask for a task force to be est’d before the end
of the academic year in order to begin this important conversation?

- CO Response to Non-Tenure-Track “Call to Campus Senate Chairs”: the response didn’t
dismiss nor did it expressly support the resolution – rather, it expressed “interest” in how
this would “unfold on campuses”. Some committee members thought this was a relatively
positive response since the resolution calls on campus senates – not on the CO, and the
resolution expressly acknowledges campus ‘autonomy’ in decision-making, therefore the
CO’s response endeavors to respect this, and avoids taking a directly “pro” or oppositional
stance. Questions discussed: Should we ask for follow-up from campuses: what (if
anything) are they doing in terms of non-tenure track faculty governance? Can we ask Exec
to follow up during next Campus Senate Chair mtg? Should we design a survey for lecturers
on governance? (there was at least one volunteer willing to work on it, with queries like,
“?what are your top concerns on governance?”

6. Second Reading Resolutions
N/A none

7. Potential New Resolutions
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High Hazard Region Travel Regulations Issue:
Committee members expressed concern about the new campus-based decision-making process regarding high hazard region travel – concern is that faculty on diff campuses may have widely varying “allowable” regions. Chair Foroohar will have an article on this to be published in the upcoming ASCSU newsletter. Committee agreed that there was no need to craft a resolution on this issue at this time.

7.1 Plan for faculty recruitment and increased tenure density–Foroohar
- Discussed rough draft of new resolution:
We are considering asking AVC Merrifield for current SFR (student-faculty ratio) based on FTE and by actual faculty headcount (since most lecturer faculty work less than full time)
Suggestion for addition to rationale: It’s “easiest” to achieve ACR73 goals by simply laying off or/not rehiring lecturers and increasing tenure density (and classroom headcount). Committee members offered suggestions to the first draft rationale. Additional suggestion: refer to past ACR73 resolutions passed by the ASCSU on the same topic (tenure density). Discussion: CC tenure density is much higher than CSU tenure density – how to address this?

8. Additional topics for discussion/possible action (New Ordering to be considered at March Plenary):

8.1 Revisiting the 1987 report on RSCA –Ornatowski

8.2 New procedures for lecturers’ evaluation in CalState Teach – Davis

8.3 Including lecturers in orientation programs for new faculty- Davis

8.4 Course evaluations - Ornatowski

8.5 Faculty spotlight awards (new awards?)

8.6 Selection of Faculty Representatives in Shared Governance (follow up on last year resolution)- Davis-Sabalius