The meeting was called to order at 10:03. All members of the committee, except for Senator Brodowsky, were present.

1. **Approval of Agenda** – MSP to adopt the agenda as presented.

2. **Approval of Minutes** – MSP to adopt the minutes of the September 14, 2016, meeting, as presented.

3. **Member Announcements**
   Committee members reported on events and actions on their campuses that potentially affect the work of the Faculty Affairs Committee.

4. **Reports**
   a. **Chair’s Report**
      Chair Norman reported:
      - The intellectual property group has been appointed, and Chair Norman will serve on it.
      - There is nothing concrete to report on the academic freedom task force. Chair Norman asks if committee members had ideas for a speaker for a spring plenary on this topic. Members suggested Henry Reichman, AAUP, and Joan Wallach Scott, Princeton University.
      - The EC is trying to be proactive about consultation, rather than having to react after the fact.
   b. **Extended Education Policies**
      Senator Yudelson reported on the recent meeting of this committee. Extended Education is growing, but only a small number of matriculated CSU students are taking courses through Extended Ed. Generating accurate data is problematic, however, because there are multiple platforms where data reside. Four ASCSU senators are serving on this committee, and each has joined a subcommittee. Senator Yudelson is serving on the subcommittee on grants, Senator Brodowski was assigned to the finance subcommittee, Senator Chong was assigned to the research subcommittee. Chair Norman was assigned to the policies and procedures
subcommittee. It was noted that the commission gives out awards for contributions by faculty, staff, and students.

c. **Executive Committee liaison**

ASCSU Secretary Robert Collins reported

- A list of travel-restricted states will be forthcoming as part of the recent enactment of a law by the California Legislature. There is concern about conference travel.
- The academic freedom policy has generated much discussion at the ASCSU Executive Committee, but no resolution has come yet.
- The Executive Committee was pleased that the Chancellor supports the establishment of a math center and it appears that there is potential grant funding for the center.
- The Executive Committee is seeking a Trustee as a potential speaker for the plenary. There will also be a discussion of the tuition increase proposal.
- Senator Collins also mentioned a number of topics that will be included on the November plenary agenda.

**Discussion** focused on the details of the Academic Freedom policy that the Chancellor’s Office is developing. It was noted that the current CSU policy is old and significantly out-of-date.

d. **CFA Report**

CFA President Eagan reported

- A bargaining survey has gone out, and CFA is anxious to receive faculty opinion. The survey closes December 1.
- CFA is actively pursuing the passage of Prop 55 between now and election day.
- The CFA assembly passed a resolution asking faculty and administrators to use union hotels for academic travel.
- The CSU and the CFA were not able to agree on the process for a joint academic freedom task force, so the CSU is proceeding with its draft of the academic freedom policy. CFA and the CSU Academic Senate have talked about an alternate approach
without the CSU being part of the discussion. If ASCSU wishes to move forward with its own policy, CFA would be happy with that course of action.

6. **Second Reading Resolutions.**

   The committee has no resolutions currently at second reading stage.

7. **New Resolutions**

   a. **Outside Organizations’ Political Attacks on Students and Faculty**
   
   Senator Foroohar reported that after consideration she decided not to draft a resolution on this topic.

   b. **Job Security for Lecturers and Examination of Alternative Employment Models**

   Senator Yudelson reported that he has been checking models at other universities to see how long-term lecturers are rewarded, but nothing has come of it so far.

   **Discussion.** Committee members affirmed that it would be desirable to find ways of rewarding quality in long-term lecturers. They agreed that there isn’t a ready-made resolution to this problem, and they cautioned that the resolution must be careful not to interfere with CFA as the exclusive bargaining representative for faculty.

8. **Additional topics for discussion/possible action**

   a. **Faculty Food and Housing Insecurity**

   Chair Norman noted recent reports that say that some university faculty, as well as students, are food insecure or without adequate housing. Discussion focused on the difficulties inherent in a policy of differential pay based on location costs. In the end, however, no one was able to offer a coherent means of starting a draft of a resolution.

   b. **Lactation Policies**

   Chair Norman reported that an individual senator had suggested that a system-wide policy in this area was warranted. Senators Davis and Yudelson volunteered to take the lead on writing a resolution on this topic. Committee members discussed parameters for such a resolution.
c. **Tenure Density Taskforce**

   There was nothing new to report on the status of this task force.

d. **Academic Freedom Taskforce**

   Senator Foroohar reported that a draft of the CSU administration’s academic freedom policy was complete and sent to the ASCSU Chair for comment. The procedure would be to finalize the draft and send it to CFA for potential meet-and-confer.

   **Discussion** focused on the inadequacies of the CSU draft policy, the advisability for ASCSU to draft its own policy, and the potential for the committee to offer a resolution on this topic. Senator Foroohar volunteered to draft a resolution for the committee’s consideration at its November meeting.

e. **Search for Vice Chancellor of Human Resources**

   Chair Norman reported that he is sitting on the search committee for this position. The search is confidential and is expected to wrap up by the end of February 2017.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:56pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Eadie, Vice Chair