Plenary Minutes  
Office of the Chancellor  
May 3 & 4, 2012

1. Call to order at 10:00 AM on Thursday, May 3, 2012 by Chair James Postma

2. Roll call taken at 10:05 AM on Thursday, May 3, 2012

   Senators Present: (Bakersfield) Andreas Gebauer, John Tarjan; (Channel Islands) Billy Wagner, Simone Aloisio; (Chico) Kathleen Kaiser, James Postma; (Dominguez Hills) Kate Fawver, Patricia Kalayjian; (East Bay); (Fresno) Jacinta Amaral, Otto Benavidez; (Fullerton) Reyes Fidalgo; Diana Wright Guerin, Barry Pasternack; (Humboldt) Marshelle Thobaben, Saeed Mortazavi; (Long Beach) David Hood; Praveen Soni, Eileen Klink (Los Angeles) Kevin Baaske, Kimberly King; (Maritime) Steven Stepanek, Shane Frehlich; (Pomona) Saeed Monemi, James (Jay) Schwartz; (Sacramento) Robert (Bob) Buckley, Thomas Krabacher, Christine Miller; (San Bernardino); (San Diego) Cezar Ornatowski, Edward Aguado; (San Francisco) Andrea Renwanz Boyle, Martin Linder, Darlene Yee-Melichar; (San Jose) Linda Heiden, Alternate, Romey Sabalius, Mark Van Selts; (San Luis Obispo) Manzar Faroohar, James LoCascio; (San Marcos) Brodowsky; (Sonoma) Catherine Nelson, Brian Wilson; (Stanislaus) Steven Filling, Paul O'Brien; (Retired Faculty) Harold Goldwhite; (Chancellor’s Office)

   Absent Senators: (East Bay) Fleming, Rush Woods; (San Bernardino) Barrett, Ullman

   Excused Senators: (Monterey Bay) Davis

   Guests Present: Ron Vogel (CO); William Blischke (ERFA); Jeremy White (CSSA); John Travis (CFA); Charles Reed, Chancellor – CSU; Elizabeth Ambos (CO)

3. Agenda approved

4. Minutes of March 15-16, 2012 approved

5. Announcements

   Steven Stepanek (Northridge)
   The Northridge faculty sponsored symposium on funding the future of the CSU was held on April 2-3, 2012 at CSU, Northridge. Based on the feedback received, the event was a success with about 75 attendees including representatives from the LAO and staff representing several state legislators. In coming weeks conference reports and transcripts of the presentations will be posted on the event web site: http://www.csun.edu/csufuture/

   Romey Sabalius (San Jose)
   San Jose State University recently celebrated its 150th year of existence. Faculty Trustee Bernadette Cheyne was in attendance.
Kathy Kaiser (Chico)
In April CSU Chico celebrated its 125th year. Chico is also totaling the volunteer hours donated by University students, staff and faculty. The goal is 125,000 volunteer hours.

6. No Presentations/Introductions

7. Reports:
   7.1. Chair Postma
   The Chair’s report is posted on the ASCSU website and was previously distributed to the senate via email

   7.2. Standing committees

   Academic Affairs - Andrea Boyle (San Francisco)
   1. I would like to begin my report by acknowledging the work of the members of the Academic Affairs Committee: Senators Pasternack, Kalayjian, Barrett, Nishita, LoCascio, Wilson, and Filling
   2. The committee will be bringing 3 resolutions to the senate plenary session including:
      A. Recognizing the integration of sustainability into California State University academic endeavors
      B. Calling for the issuance of an executive order banning the sale and distribution of tobacco products on the campuses of the CSU
      C. Opposing the Western Governors University model for online education - Barrett
   3. AA will also be co-sponsoring the following resolutions:
      A. Accessible and affordable, open-source digital textbooks
      B. C-ID split decisions
   4. Robust discussion on the proposed to Title 5 Education Code 40500 Bachelor of Arts Degree: Required curriculum
      Comments from the committee deliberations included the following:
      A. Section c of 40500 on minors is proposed to be deleted
      B. This deletion is only for the BA
      C. Campuses have policies that define minors
      D. Campuses without such policies will be adopting policies that address minors
      E. Dean Mallon will be presenting this information to the BOT as an information item next week
   5. Thank you to members of AA for hard work this year and to members of the ASCSU. It has been an honor to serve as a statewide senator.

   Academic Preparation and Education Programs – Mark Van Selst (San Jose)
   1. There are four resolutions to be considered (one second reading) at this plenary
A. 3072: Courtesy Recommendations to CTC (second reading)
B. 3077: data collection of self-identified LGBT, disability and other information after acceptance and before registration (waiver)
C. 3078: on C-ID split-decisions (waiver)
D. 3082: on Electronic Transfer of transcripts and degree progress evaluation within the CCC (waiver)

2. There are three resolutions to be held over for next year:
   A. A home for ACADEMIC TECHNOLOGY within campus senate structures
   B. Establishing Intersegmental Standards for Math and English Competencies
   C. A letter to CCTC re: proposal for the direct acceptance of non-accredited coursework used for ECE.

3. A final thanks to a very pleasant, cordial, and productive committee who contributed to an effective 2012-13 session

Faculty Affairs – Diana Guerin (Fullerton)

1. Faculty Affairs will be presenting the following resolutions at this plenary:
   A. 3061 Endorsing the Joint Statement on Academic Freedom by California State University (CSU) Presidents Armstrong, Hellenbrand, and Welty
   B. 3067 CSU Faculty Profile: Preparation of Tenured Faculty and Demographic Trends, 2001-2009 Report on Commitment 2 of the CSU Access to Excellence Strategic Plan
   C. 3069 Opposing the Western Governors’ University Model for Online Education
   D. 3076 Amending the Constitution of the Academic Senate, the California State University (ASCSU) to Include Advancing Academic Freedom
   E. Reasserting Faculty Control of Curricula Regardless of Delivery Mode
   F. Commendation of Dr. Elizabeth Ambos, Assistant Vice Chancellor, Research Initiatives and Partnerships

2. The Chair wishes to thank the members of the Faculty Affairs Committee for their dedication and hard work, the excellent assistance provided by the Chancellor’s Office representatives, especially Gail Brooks, Margaret Merryfield, Beth Ambos, Christine Helwick, and Charlene Minnick, and the valuable information provided by California Faculty Association representative, John Travis.

Fiscal and Governmental Affairs – Thomas Krabacher (Sacramento)

1. FGA will present the following resolutions
   A. Open Source Academic Textbooks – AA Co-sponsor
   B. 1564 Mandatory Reporting requirements – will ask to withdraw
   C. Waiver – commendation for CSUN hosting of conference “Funding the Future”

2. FGA received reports from Robert Turnage (CSU Chief Financial Officer), Wes Larson (CSU Senior Legislative Advocate), and John Travis (California Faculty Association)

3. On May 17 FGA will engage in advocacy in Sacramento
4. The FGA Chair thanks membership of the committee
5. Senator Krabacher yielded to Senator David Hood to report on an issue regarding WASC
   A. Hood warned that WASC is pushing institutional student learning outcomes identified in the “Degree Profiles” report sponsored by the Lumina Foundation.
   B. Discussion ensued

7.3. Faculty Trustee – Bernadette Cheyne (Humboldt)
   Senators have received the Trustee Report from the last meeting held on March 17 & 18, 2012 and it is posted on the ASCSU website

7.4. Other committees and committee liaisons
CalState Online - Jodie Ullman (Pomona)
   1. First review of the vendor proposals will assess compliance with requirements.
   2. The CSO Board is drafting an executive order to help define CalState Online and its processes.
      A. The CSO Board will report to the Technology Steering Committee
      B. The Executive Director reports to EVC Smith and EVC Quillian
      C. Ullman noted that it seems odd to have the CSO Board report to a subcommittee of the Presidents
      D. The CSO Board is a governing board not an advisory committee
   3. Another Concern expressed by Ullman: The CSO Board still hasn’t seen a CSO budget
      A. There is a commitment that CSO will not return to the campuses for the next budget
      B. The CSO Board has requested $300,000 for a new portal to list all online courses
   4. Discussion: Harvard and MIT have free online courses, so does Stanford. The CSO Board has not directly discussed this. Such courses yield no academic credit, but are valuable efforts to provide access to those who cannot attend such institutions. Coursera.org is the website listing these free courses.

7.5. Ben Quillian, Executive Vice Chancellor of Budget and Finance
   1. The Board charged Executive Vice Chancellor Quillian with bringing “every conceivable option” he could develop for raising revenue and reducing costs to the Board for consideration next week. Some of the options are not recommended by the Office of the Chancellor. Reductions and revenue enhancements will be painful.
   2. Discussion included quarter-to-semester conversion to which Executive Vice Chancellor Quillian indicated that the main benefit will accrue to students with regards to transfer. There may be some savings for reduced enrollment periods over the long term. It is not a done deal yet. There is not money set aside. There was much additional discussion of quarter-to-semester conversion. Different quarter campuses are at different stages of the consideration of conversion process.
3. State revenue projections are billions short. We fear the dreaded $250m triggered cut may actually occur this fall and could be deeper still. The campus Chief Financial Officers have been told to plan for deeper cuts. Standard and Poor’s is looking at both the State and CSU credit ratings. We will need to make some fundamental changes in the ways we do things. Some of these changes may actually be positive and result in appropriate efficiencies.

7.6. Charles B. Reed, California State University (CSU) Chancellor

1. The State of California is in worse shape than he initially thought. Estimated revenues are down $16 billion. That may lead to the Governor announcing additional cuts to the 2011-2012 budget during his May revise. As you know, the Governor is co-sponsoring a November ballot proposition. If this does not pass, it triggers additional cuts to the 2012-2013 budget. That trigger has been estimated at $200 million. Unfortunately, with California revenues coming in much lower than anticipated, it is quite possible that the trigger will result in a larger cut than $200 million.

2. CSU has a $320 million dollar structural deficit on the campus level. We have to lower the structural deficit and plan for losing the additional $200 million. So Chancellor Reed and Executive Vice Chancellor Quillian are working with campus presidents regarding the budget.

3. The Governor’s Department of Finance would like to negotiate with the University of California (UC) and the CSU on a stability plan. It would provide an annual 4% increase of general fund dollars ($80 million). But at that rate it would take 10 years to catch up to where we were funded in 2005. The Governor’s Office also wants to tie budget augmentations to enrollment increases. The CSU is currently at 331,000 Full-Time Equivalent Students (FTES). CSU will be 3% above target because of pressure on campuses. Dr. Reed is trying to keep enrollments level. But, enrollment is a two-edged sword. Reducing enrollment in little ways helps, but also hurts. We are collecting $6,000 per student in fees. If we reduce enrollments, we lose that money. But Dr. Reed argued that packing more students into the classroom doesn’t provide good service because there are no additional library services, nor services from student affairs, advising, etc. There is a need to provide educational quality to the student. Continuing to pack students onto campuses will result in the CSU following a model similar to the California Community Colleges (CCC) and he doesn’t believe that would serve the needs of our students or the State.

4. Once again the Chancellor expressed concern about the amount of money the State spends on prisons. He noted we pay our prison guards about 3 times what Texas pays its guards, counting their benefits. There were 70,000 individuals in California prisons when Jerry Brown was governor before, now there are 70,000 prison guards. The average cost of a model prisoner is about $64,000. We get about $8,000 each to educate students. Most in prison can’t read and didn’t have the opportunity for that education. Citizens holding Bachelor’s degrees are, by far, less likely to end up in prison. There are, of course, degrees have many other benefits to
the society and families. 12,000 women are incarcerated for non-violent crimes, like writing bad checks, or drug offenses. Why do we continue to lock-up and spend $64,000 per year to imprison such women? There are alternatives that other states use which would lower costs significantly. A federal court order requires provision of world-class health care to prisoners over the age of 70 years, including heart, liver, and lung transplants. For those over the age of 75 it costs, on average, $240,000 per year to keep them in prison. The elderly are not likely to commit additional crimes. California priorities seem to be prisons, not higher education. California is investing in failure not education.

5. In response to a question about converting quarter-campuses to semester-campuses, Chancellor Reed pointed out that last year Ohio State went to semesters. He also noted that he and Dave Spence converted the Florida system to semesters and saved a great deal. But, converting six campuses from quarters to semesters is not a done deal.

6. Chancellor Reed also addressed the recent controversy surrounding the possibility of limiting State University Grants (the portion of a student’s tuition which is set aside for students with low incomes) to undergraduate students only. Dr. Reed argued that the recent tuition hikes have had the most impact on our underrepresented and middle class students. Dr. Reed said we should look at Student University Grants (SUG); Hh doesn’t know of any other system that provides grants from its operating budget to support graduate students (about $100,000,000 overall in the CSU). He believes everyone benefits from an undergraduate degree, but individuals with masters, doctorate and professional degrees further their personal goals more significantly than their benefit to society. He postulated by asking, “What would happen if we moved $50,000 from graduate students to undergraduate students?” It would provide enough money to provide financial aid for students whose families make $80,000 instead of the current cut off of $70,000. This would make undergraduate students from families earning between $70- and $80,000 eligible for a SUG. We might continue SUGs for graduate students in those disciplines that are a high priority for California or put those funds toward the operating budget so that we can minimize layoffs. Reed made it clear that we are not going to do anything for 2012-13.

7. The real answer to the budget crisis is for the State of California to step up and reinvest in its future. Funding on a per-student basis is at a 40-year low; we have 90,000 more students than we did then and the budget is less.

7.7. Beth Ambos, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Research Initiatives and Partnerships
1. A Resolution of Commendation was presented by the Senate to AVC Ambos.
2. Dr. Ambos thanked the ASCSU for its work and its support.

7.8. Ephraim Smith, Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer
1. EVC Smith expressed his thanks to the to the CSU faculty and to Chair Postma who has worked tirelessly to represent the faculty on the SB 1440 initiative. Challenges remain:
The need for fully electronic transfer process. The CSU processes over 100,000 student transfer applications but the documents from many of the California Community Colleges (CCC) are currently on paper, not in electronic format.

b. We are approaching the end of Transfer Model Curricula development for the most popular majors and that will lead to the development of local transfer degrees. The Academic Senate of the CCC passed a resolution requiring that transfer degree developed by the CCC conform to the Transfer Model Curriculum (TMS) if there is a TMC or if a TMC is being developed.

2. Early Start Students are registering and the CSU is watching for glitches. The Office of the Chancellor will start evaluating the program in the fall.

3. There are three fee-related items before the Board of Trustees (BOT) related to academic affairs: increased fees for the course repetition, super seniors, and a third-tier fee structure. Please share any comments about these proposals with Executive Vice Chancellor Smith.

7.9. Ron Vogel, Associate Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs
No report

7.10. John Travis, CFA Liaison
1. The CFA Strike Authorization vote
   A. Over 70% of the membership voted.
   B. Over 95% of those voting gave authority to the Union to call a two-day rolling strike next fall.
   C. Hopefully there will be no strike, but the parties remain at impasse (according to the mediator).
   D. The next phase is fact-finding.
   E. Mediation led to some movement, but mediator told CFA that CSU was not interested in meeting in face-to-face negotiations.
   F. After mediation came to a conclusion, the Chancellor’s representatives have invited CFA to come back to the bargaining table. CFA is hopeful that there will be progress.
   G. Article 12 lecturer rights to available work are in jeopardy

2. CSU has said that the requests from CFA will cost $.5 billion; CFA only requested a 1% interest GSA. CSU is one of only two agencies that do not have annual salary step increases (SSI); CFA has requested this. CFA has also requested the second half of the equity program, a feature recommended by a previous fact-finder.

3. CFA believes that CSU proposals are almost exclusively take-backs. CFA has never negotiated a contract that included only take-backs. Negotiations should be a give and take.

4. CFA understands the climate; it doesn’t want to strike, but will, if necessary.

7.11. Jeremy White, CSSA Liaison
No report

7.12. William Blischke, ERFA Liaison

1. Reported that ERFA met last at Long Beach. They reappointed Don Cameron as Executive Director. Dr. Blischke was reappointed as liaison to ASCSU for another year.
2. Oregon is most common state outside of CA for emeriti to live
3. Additional information about ERFA is available at the ERFA website
   http://www.csuerfa/news-views.html

8. Committee Recommendations

8.1. Recognizing the Integration of Sustainability into California State University (CSU) Academic Endeavors
     AS-3056-12/AA (Rev)
     Approved Without Dissent

8.2. Endorsing the Joint Statement on Academic Freedom by California State University (CSU) Presidents Armstrong, Hellenbrand, and Welty
     AS-3061-12/FA (Rev)
     Approved

8.3. Academic Senate CSU Calendar of 2012-2013 Meetings
     AS-3062 -12/EX (Rev)
     Approved Unanimously

8.4. Resolution Calling for the Issuance of an Executive Order Banning the Sale and Distribution of Tobacco Products on the Campuses of the California State University
     AS-3063-12/AA (Rev)
     Approved

8.5. Receipt of “CSU Faculty Profile: Proportion of Tenure-Track/Tenured Faculty and Demographic Trends, 2001-2009” Report
     AS-3064-12/EX (Rev)
     Withdrawn

8.6. Appointment, Confirmation and Service of Trustees to the California State University (CSU)
     AS-3065-12/EX (Rev)
     Approved Without Dissent

8.7. CSU Faculty Profile: Proportion of Tenure-Track/Tenured Faculty and Demographic Trends, 2001-2009 Report on Commitment 2 of the CSU Access to Excellence Strategic Plan
     AS-3067-12/FA (Rev)
     Approved Unanimously

8.8. Calling for the Review or Creation of Campus Policies on Emeriti Faculty
     AS-3068-12/FA (Rev)
     Approved

8.9. Opposing the Western Governors’ University Model for Online Education
     AS-3069-12/AA (Rev)
     Approved Unanimously

8.10. Accessible and Affordable Open-Source Digital Textbooks
     AS-3070-12/FGA/AA (Rev)
     Approved Without Dissent

8.11. AB 1564: Mandatory Reporting Requirements for State Employees
     AS-3071-12/FGA (Rev)
     Withdrawn

8.12. Restricting California State University “Courtesy
     AS-3072-12/APEP (Rev)
Academic Senate CSU

Recommendations” to the California Commission on Teacher Credentialing

8.13. Internal ASCSU Actions Following the Disposition of Resolutions
   AS-3073-12/ Shared Governance Committee (Rev)
   Approved Unanimously

8.14. Procedures for CSU Administration and Board of Trustees Responses to ASCSU resolutions (3-10-12)
   AS-3074-12/ Shared Governance Committee (Rev)
   Approved Unanimously

8.15. Procedures for Dealing With a Vote of No Confidence
   AS-3075-12/ Shared Governance Committee (Rev)
   Approved Unanimously

8.16. Amending the Constitution of the Academic Senate, the California State University (ASCSU) to Include Advancing Academic Freedom
   AS-3076-12/FA
   Approved Unanimously

8.17. CMS-Implementation of a Data Collection Survey Administered After Admission and Before Enrollment to Include Self-identification of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered (LGBT) and Disability Status
   AS-3077-12/APEP
   Approved Without Dissent

8.18. Resolving Course Identification Numbering System (C-ID) Split Decisions
   AS-3078-12/APEP/AA
   Approved Unanimously

   AS-3079-12/EX
   Approved Unanimously

8.20. Commendation of the “Funding the Future of the CSU” Conference Hosted by California State University Northridge
   AS-3080-12/FGA
   Approved Unanimously

8.21. Re-asserting Faculty Control of Curricula Regardless of Delivery Mode
   AS-3081-12/FA/AA
   Approved Unanimously

8.22. Support for Early Degree Progress Assessment and Efficient Electronic Transfer of Transcripts
   AS-3082-12/APEP
   Approved Unanimously

8.23. Commendation of Dr. Elizabeth Ambos, Assistant Vice Chancellor of Research Initiatives and Partnerships
   AS-3083-12/FA
   Approved Unanimously

8.24. Commendation of Dr. James Postma
   AS-3084-12/EX
   Approved by Acclamation

8.25. Commendation of Dr. Andrea Boyle
   AS-3085-12/San Francisco Del.
   Approved by Acclamation

   AS-3086-12/Stanislaus Del.
   Approved by Acclamation
8.27. Commendation of Edward Aguado
   AS-3087-12/San Diego Del.
   Approved by Acclamation

8.28. Commendation for Reyes Fidalgo
   AS-3088-12/Fullerton Del.
   Approved by Acclamation

8.29. Commendation for Dr. Saeed Mortazavi
   AS-3089-12/Humboldt Del.
   Approved by Acclamation

9. Adjournment at 2:50 PM on Friday, May 4, 2012 by Postma