

Academic Senate CSU Executive Committee
March 4, 2011
Conference Call • 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Present

Kevin Baaske, Tracy Butler, Susan Gubernat, Diana Guerin, Tom Krabacher, Jim Postma, John Tarjan

Announcements

Tom recently attended CPEC meeting. His report was added to the agenda.

Susan will report on San Jose DIG.

The committee is using Elluminate Live! Software to facilitate the meeting. Thanks, Tracy!

Approval of Agenda

Approved as amended.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of February 18, 2011 were approved as amended.

College Access Foundation – Tom expects to set up an appointment next week.

Legislative Update – *Tom Krabacher*

There are fewer CTE bills than expected. Tom was asked to follow up on the CTE bills. Bills will start going to committee hearings during the last two weeks of March. Tom mentioned these bills:

- AB 24 (Block) Feasibility of Chula Vista campus
- AB 684 (Block) Redefines mission of the higher education systems. Allows for joint doctorates in the CSU, but makes no mention of applied doctorates.
- Pilot program for BA granted in community college district (Block)
- Bills regarding veterans, three month delay before implementation of hikes in student fees (Liu)
- SB 483 (Calderon) limit summer session fees to no more than students would pay via state support
- SB 185 (Hernandez) authorizes consideration of various student demographics in CSU admissions

SB 1440 Implementation

Proposal put forth by Eric Forbes regarding out of area student admission was not well received by CCC. CCC wants students with transfer degree to have priority over those who do not. Curricular development also has some challenges. From the meeting in the north, Susan reported that two of the CSU people in English DIG are on sabbatical this semester and is concerned about their ability to be involved. The group accomplished a lot. She wonders what will happen with the work done in the north will be sent to the south for its meeting on March 11th. She believes the mix of the TMC and C-ID course descriptor goals at the same meeting created tension. The feedback from the CSUs

regarding the first three TMCs was generally positive that students could complete the degree at their campus within 60 units. However, San Diego said “no” to all three, because the campus has a second language requirement; this garnered a lot of attention at the meeting.

Early Start

Jim reported no change. In response to a query from John, Jim noted that the CSU is aware of a CFA campaign about Early Start. Chancellor Reed and the BOT are responding to this in the public, but not the Early Start Implementation Committee.

FDRG Appointees

We are still lacking CSU faculty, and continue to appoint more. John believes more pre-meeting work is needed.

Faculty Trustee

No update. Tracy was asked to call the appointments secretary, who is new.

California State Budget

State Budget: No news. Tom stated that the stakeholders group has not met again. The stakeholders group circulated a revised list this week. By the time of the ASCSU plenary, we should know if the propositions will be on the ballot. Campus budget updates at the members’ campuses were discussed.

ASCSU Budget Contingency Planning: Members discussed the wisdom of working on contingency budget planning. It was decided to schedule a conference call with Extended Exec next week. The focus should be on how to maintain as much as possible the ASCSU in achieving its mission.

Discounted Airfares and Subsistence: Airline change fees can be reimbursed, but must be justified with a work-related reason. This would probably be okay with hotels, as well. This is to allow senators to get the lowest possible rate on travel. More information to come on this; the new policy will be released in April. Per diem and incidentals will be slightly higher. Receipts will be required for meal reimbursement.

ITL Search – Senate Appointments

Darlene and Tom volunteered and were supported.

CO Response to January Resolution

Members were distressed at the terseness of the CO response to the January plenary. Jim was encouraged to have a private conversation about past practices and the role of the EVC vis-à-vis the ASCSU.

Virtual Meetings (Elluminate!) and Electronic Voting

Tracy can set these up for the committee interims, but she will not be able to run five meetings simultaneously. The chairs or someone on each committee will need to run the Elluminate! session.

Diana asked that we evaluate the organization of our last virtual meetings by having a conversation with Extended Executive Committee to get feedback. We need to build efficiency and effectiveness of our virtual meetings. John suggested we add this to our conference call next week.

Amir will come in March to help with the Trustee election and again in May to help with Executive Committee elections.

January Newsletter/Resolution Summary Update

Tom stated this will be out this weekend.

Budget Update

Tracy stated that ASCSU budget is still quite close. It has been made clear to her that we cannot go negative on our budget.

Liaison Reports

March 3 Ad Hoc Committee on Senate Bylaws – Kevin provided a written report. A bylaw change regarding committee chair elections will be proposed at the plenary. Bylaw changes must go out to Campus Senates.

Tom attended the CPEC meeting last Tuesday. Jane Wellman reported on issues of higher education funding nationwide. He will send the handout to the Exec members. Distance education was mentioned as a way to produce statewide efficiency. This seems to be a common theme as a way to handle higher education costs.

Liaison Planning

March 9-10 ATAC, ATSC, Academic Council (LAX) - *Jim*

March 15 GEAC (CO) – *John, Jim*

March 18, 3:00-4:00 - Agenda Setting (CO) – *All of Exec*

March 18-19 Alumni Council - *Jim*

March 18-20 CSSA (Pomona) – *Kevin*

March 22-23, 2011 BOT – *Jim, Kevin, John*

April 8 CFA Board of Directors meeting (Westin San Francisco) - *Jim*

Additional March Exec Conference Call Dates

A conference call with Extended Exec will be set up for next week.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Diana Guerin