The Academic Preparation and Education Programs (APEP) Committee

MINUTES
Wednesday, March 19th 2014
Chancellor’s Office - Room 410

Called to Order at 11:00 AM by Acting Chair Denise Fleming

Present: Denise Fleming, Acting Chair (East Bay), Kevin Baaske, Acting Recording Secretary (Los Angeles), Sandra Chong (Northridge), Harold Goldwhite (ERFA), Kathleen Kaiser (Chico), Ken Nishita (Monterey Bay), Barry Pasternack (Fullerton), and Jim Postma, (Chico).

Excused: Andres Gebauer (Bakersfield)

1. Agenda m/s/p to approve

2. Announcements
Kaiser—Public Utility Commission assessing broadband availability through surveys. This is part of the preparation for Common Core. Committee stressed that affordability is the key.

3. Chair’s Report - From Extended Exec this AM
   - Academic Affairs has offered to possibly co-sponsor our resolution on Discipline Councils
   - Chair reviewed the second reading items coming before the Plenary
   - Chairs are being asked to pay attention to Interim Committee attendance
   - There will be more about the 120 unit limit
   - Possible changes to Title V regarding rigor in Master’s programs
   - Does Committee support summer stipend for Exec?
     - Committee does not support line-item budget augmentation
     - Should ask for supplemental funding, without line-item
     - Summer support should include immediate past Chair
     - Augmentation is necessary given lack of increase after decrease
     - Augmentation request should include all needs:
       - Funding three senators
       - In-Person Committee meetings
       - Summer Stipend for Executive Committee
   - Extended Exec discussed GEAC’s role in review of campus efforts to reduce Engineering programs to 120 units

4. Minutes on the meeting on February 19, 2014 m/s/p to approve

5. 11:05 AM Time-Certain with Beverly Young, Assistant Vice Chancellor: Teacher Education and Public School Programs

Commission on Teacher Credentialing
CTC has been challenged to keep up with the changes created by the adoption of Common Core. This is in addition to having just adopted new administrator standards, preparing teachers for pre-K, or transitional K. The Steinberg bill, even though it has some good aspects, doesn’t require that such teachers have a credential for 5 years. CTC
is also considering allowing those who teach ROTC to be certified as such, eliminating the need to serve on a waiver.

Regional Meetings Common Core

- Dr. Young shared with APEP an email she sent to College Deans of Education inviting all faculty who teach “pre-service courses related to Common Core State Standards (CCSS), Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS), or English Language Development (ELD) to attend.”
- It is anticipated that there will be a sharing of information and best practices and resources for preparing faculty to “teach the new standards.” After these meetings, the notes from the meetings will be shared.
- CSU has just received the news that a $3 million CO proposal to the Bechtel Foundation for re-imagining teacher education will be funded. CO will be preparing an RFP likely for campus proposals that address reformation of campus programs. CO is also submitting second proposal, for half a million dollars to establish a faculty academy to support professional learning, including, perhaps, faculty fellows.

Early Assessment Program

- Even though EAP was not required this year, the CO has worked hard to get high schools to order the EAP. The number of test orders is pretty close to the number of orders in previous years, but that doesn’t mean the number of tests taken will be the same.
- Smarter Balanced
  - Field tests will start next week for students in 3rd-8th grade and 11th grade. The results will only go to Smarter Balanced so that they can evaluate and revise the test itself.

Q&A: Dr. Young and Committee discussed the following:

- The current State block grant funding formula for elementary and secondary funding
- EAP Results: There will be letters and a website where results can be obtained
- Next Generation Science Standards have been adopted in California and are available
- CSU has garnered a Leona M. and Harry B. Helmsley Student Success Grant for Education ($4.6 million) for retention and acceleration of completion of CSU STEM majors. According to the press release, The award will help fund the CSU STEM Collaborative, a program which immerses students in STEM activities and courses the summer before they actually attend college and throughout their first year. Eight CSU campuses will be selected to integrate the summer/first-year program.
- Not likely to have a separate credential for transition-K teachers, but not yet determined. California Community Colleges are likely to be interested in developing the BA or credential for this field.
- Recommended reading: “50 Myths & Lies That Threaten America’s Public Schools” by David C. Berliner and Gene V. Glass.
- Two CSU campuses are piloting an EdTPA project, a model that might replace Performance Assessment of California Teachers (PACT) collaborative. Unlike PACT, developed by Stanford Center for Assessment, Learning, and Equity (SCALE), EdTPA is scored centrally.
6. **2:30 PM Time Certain** – Ken O’Donnell, Senior Director Student Engagement and Academic Initiative and Partnerships, and Michelle Pilati, Project Director for the “Linked Learning Pathways to the Baccalaureate” (LLPB) project.

- O’Donnell introduced Pilati who highlighted the initial stages of the project.
- Pilati suggested the project is looking at Career Technical Education (CTE) and facilitating a “Linked Learning Pathway to the Baccalaureate” (LLPB) for students who move from CTE to a CSU. This initiative is currently focusing on Engineering and Design, Health Science and Medical Terminology, and Information Technology.
- Discussion ensued.
- The Committee also asked about the Early Start Reports from SJSU, CSUN, and CSU Fullerton and offered suggestions for improving these reports as we move forward. These include, for example, standardizing terminology, asking that each campus answer specific standardized questions in subsequent reports, sharing best practices, and perhaps giving campuses autonomy to run their own programs.
- The Committee discussed perceived shortfalls regarding the Early Start reports we received and reviewed. We observed that there are definitely differences in campus efforts/requirements, a lack of standardized terminology, the challenge accounting for students who completed Early Start on one campus and enrolled in another, and the lack of making common assessments regarding answers to a set of standard questions asked of each campus. The Committee discussed a resolution calling for a Task Force to study these challenges and make recommendations to the BOT and campuses.

7. **APEP Resolutions**

   A. First Reading Resolution
   - The Committee discussed the proposed resolution on Discipline Councils and made several suggestions to the rationale.
   - Chris Miller joined the Committee to express support for the resolution from Academic Affairs and expressed some ways the resolution might be approved.

   B. Second Reading Resolution
   - The Committee considered the comments and recommendations for improvement made by senators at the January Plenary to the
   - No changes were made to the resolution.

8. **Changes to the SAT**

   The Committee acknowledges that the SAT is changing and will discuss this further in the future.

9. **3:30 PM Executive Committee Liaison report** – Glen Brodowsky

- CSSA will be making a request to support an opt-out fee request of $4.00 charged to all students to establish their own revenue stream. ASCSU Exec is discussing whether or not to support this request.
- Request to establish a new standing committee on Academic Freedom instead of relying on Faculty Affairs. Exec is not convinced of the need for this.
- Exec discussed its budget priorities for next year.
• Exec is looking forward to discussing shared governance after one year with the new Chancellor.
• Exec is conducting a survey regarding how results are displayed during the election of ASCSU officers.

10. Planning for the Social
• Shopping: Harold & Sandra
• Set-Up: Jim, Ken, Harold, Sandra & Barry
• Clean: Denise, Kathy, Kevin

11. Eric Forbes (not available):

12. Campus Reports
• Chico—Has an annual project whereby students spend their Spring break engaging in service. This year they have 50-60 students building environmentally neutral shelters designed by students for the Salvation Army. CSU Chico’s Basketball Team has won the Division II Western Regional and is now in the Elite 8.
• Fullerton—Sending a group of students to San Francisco to build
• Los Angeles—Successfully passed its GE policy. Students and faculty members will now be making a presentation
• Monterey Bay—New Administrative leadership will be taking over on July 1. This includes three new Deans, two Vice Presidents, and a Provost.

13. Committee Report
• **Student Health Services Advisory Committee** – Nashita reported that EO 943 and EO 803 are being revised to accommodate new regulations and statutory requirements. He also shared the Red Folder report distributed to the Committee previously via Drop Box. CSU’s Affordable Care Act efforts were also reviewed. The reporting requirements when sexual assaults occur may be regulated by state legislators if SB 967 becomes law. Audits are being conducted on three CSU campuses regarding Health issues.
• Admissions Advisory Council – has not met since last Committee meeting
• **GEAC** – Pilati reported to GEAC regarding the REOI project.
• California Commission on Teacher Credentialing – discussed changes to PACT are being discussed with respect to Common Core, consistency in implementation across campuses, and the lack of uniformity in data collection.
• ERFA – meeting coming up April 26 and make a recommendation to who the ERFA representative to the ASCSU should and then there will be an election
• **Extended Education Audit Task Force** – Pasternack reported that the Task Force met once and will be meeting again to discuss the definition of “supplanting.”
• **California Academic Participate Program** – will be meeting April 11
• **Others?** - Steve Filling and Barry Pasternack have been asked to give a report to WICHE

14. Adjournment 4:58 PM