

Meeting Minutes
CSU Statewide Senate Chairs
April 9, 2020 | 10 am – 2 pm
Virtual
(Lunch: 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.)

Present by Zoom:

Michael B. Scott (Convener, CSUMB), Jessica Pandya (CSULB), Beth Steffel (CSUSB, Charles E. Thomas (CSUDH), Gregory Wood (CSUCI), Catherine Nelson (ASCSU Chair, Sonoma), Deborah Boschini (CSUB), Stephanie Burkhalter (Humboldt), Chiara Ferrari (CSU Chico), Nancy Gerber (SFSU), Sharon Hamill (CSUSM), Thomas Holyoke (CSU Fresno), Michael Lee (CSUEB), Ravisha Mathur (SJSU), Veena Prabhu (CSULA), Mary-Pat Stein (CSUN), Laura Watt (Sonoma), Mark Wheeler (SDSU), Catherine Nelson (ASCSU Chair, Sonoma), Rob K. Collins (ASCSU Vice-Chair, SFSU), Romey Sabalius (Faculty Trustee, SJSU)

Notes/Announcements

Faculty Trustee, Romey Sabalius, will be attending

Proposed Agenda Items:

1. Approval of minutes of December 12
 - a. Minutes approved.
2. Selection of Notetaker
 - a. Mark Wheeler volunteers
3. [Review / Update of Guidelines Document](#) (Michael S.)
 - a. To Section 4: “Recorders may alternately be elected at each meeting.” added to end of paragraph.
4. Selection of Summer Caretaker
 - a. Sharon Hamill, CSUSM, volunteers
5. ASCSU Chair’s Report (Catherine N.)
 - a. Report on some of the recent ASCSU resolutions:
 - i. Student Evals and RTP
 - ii. Ethnic Studies Graduation Requirement Resolution
 - iii. Lecturer Range Elevation
 - b. Report on Chancellor’s Remarks:
 - i. Doesn’t expect cuts to the current year CSU budget
 - ii. January Budget for CSU off the table
 - iii. No discussion of furloughs yet
 - iv. How to return normal campus activity after the crisis abates
 - v. No proposed increase in tuition yet
 - vi. Mention of Auxiliaries suffering

- vii. Mention of Federal CARES Act monies
- 6. Faculty Board of Trustee Report (Romey Sabalius) [after 12 pm]
 - a. Search for Chancellor on hold
 - b. Searches for Presidents will be re-opened
 - c. Report on BoT meeting
 - i. Most items moved to consent agenda.
 - ii. Approved financing of the SDSU Mission Valley Stadium project.
 - iii. Approved accepting the Placer County land for CSU development.
 - iv. Approval of programs proposed by campuses
 - v. Discussion of Legislative Initiatives
 - 1. Student Mental Health discussion postponed to May meeting
 - vi. Brief report of National Meeting of Governing Boards
 - 1. Mainly focused on COVID-19
 - 2. There will be a new normal after the pandemic
 - 3. Many campus will go through crises (enrollment drops, etc.)
 - 4. Not many faculty trustees on governing boards nationwide
- 7. Budget Projections
 - a. Romey: The January proposal for the CSU may not hold.
 - b. Catherine: Blanchard said we might get mandatory costs from the State.
- 8. Deadline for Student Deposits
- 9. Policies on creating and retiring committees (Stephanie-Humboldt)
 - a. Stephanie: The creation of redundant committees by the CO or the local Admin. The need to create policy around creating and retiring committees. General discussion.
 - b. Should we have a working subgroup to address this? This meeting tracking campus committees involving faculty.
- 10. Instructional resiliency during campus closure
 - a. Michael Lee reports.
 - b. Michael Scott: Shifts to discussion of grading policy at CSU Monterey Bay.
 - c. Laura, CSU Sonoma: Campus becoming an alternative care site.
 - d. Veena: CSU LA working on grading policies and communications.
 - e. Sharon: CSUSM passed comprehensive policy changes. Registrar was consulted and was part of the process. Created an implementation document. Discussion of policy related to online course offerings and faculty control of modality.
 - f. Michael Scott: Minerva Project
 - g. Ravisha: As part of discussion of staff issues, staff are using personal computers and other personal items for the sake of work.
- 11. Basic needs survey system-wide
 - a. Veena: During the crisis, students are struggling to meet their basic needs.
 - b. Ravisha: From last meeting, need to collect data across system about basic needs of students. General discussion on these issues.
- 12. Tenure 'stop-clock' campus discussions due to COVID19
 - a. General Discussion about campus approaches to RTP and evaluations. A lot of "chat" posts. Concerns raised about Sabbaticals and DIPs. (Discussion of the policy basis for holding campus Senate meetings virtually. Discussion about SEC acting on behalf of the Senate.)
- 13. Credit/No Credit Policy Changes:
 - a. General discussion of campus decisions.
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