

**Academic Senate CSU Executive Committee (virtual)**  
**April 8, 2011**  
**DRAFT - Minutes**

**Attendees:** Chair Postma, Vice Chair Baaske, Member-at-Large Gubernat, Member-at-Large Krabacher, Immediate Past Chair Tarjan, (Extended) Fiscal & Governmental Affairs Committee Chair Yee, Academic Preparation and Education Programs Committee Chair Van Selst, Faculty Affairs Committee Chair Cheyne, Academic Affairs Committee Chair Boyle **Guests:** Executive Vice Chancellor, Chief Academic Officer Smith

**Extended Executive Committee**

1. Approval of Agenda—a couple of items were added.
2. Faculty Trustee Update
  - a. The appointments office indicated that they were trying to expedite the process.
  - b. Senator Cheyne has been contacted by the office for further information.
  - c. It is unclear how fast the office will move.
3. Academic Senate Budget feedback from FGA
  - a. Could ASCSU bring in some revenues?
  - b. \$2500 campus fee to support shared governance?
  - c. Do we need a September plenary?
  - d. Interim meetings on conference calls seem to work well.
  - e. Perhaps Extended University Division (EUD) could provide us with a donation.
  - f. Give Executive Committee the same assigned time as other committees.
  - g. Reduce travel to the minimum, including Executive Committee travel.
4. ASCSU Budget
  - a. No updates have been received
  - b. It is important to keep first year Senators (those not on standing committees) informed about budget planning.
5. Committee Reports
  - a. AA
    - i. Several continuing items will be on the May agenda.
    - ii. There are two potential new resolutions.
      1. On potential Title 5 changes (Doctorate of Nursing Practice, Doctorate Physical Therapy, post-baccalaureate for nursing, GE, American Institutions, waiver of GE for 2<sup>nd</sup> baccalaureate students).
        - a. Senator Boyle will speak with Dean Mallon today to find out where these potential changes are in the process.
        - b. Chair Postma indicated he has been working with Academic Affairs to ensure an appropriate process for potential changes.
        - c. There is a preference for separating out Title 5 changes in resolutions.
      2. On the establishment of a joint doctoral advisory committee at the system level.

- b. APEP
  - i. Since the introduction of the item on GE Golden 4 minimum grades/potential Title 5 change, the community colleges are in support of this requirement in Transfer AA degrees. The committee will continue to discuss.
  - ii. Will discuss a number of continuing resolutions, no new ones planned.
- c. FA
  - i. Will speak with Chris Helwick about e-mail privacy, academic freedom.
  - ii. The EUD resolution is being refined. It seems that the policy of supplanting is not clearly enunciated
  - iii. Senator Tarjan will be FA liaison if Senator Guerin cannot phone in.
- d. FGA
  - i. Resolutions being considered
    - 1. SB 8 (public records)
    - 2. Dream Act
    - 3. Master Plan at 50
      - a. Focusing on statewide access
    - 4. Summer Session Fees (SB 746)
    - 5. Potential—resource management strategies (in response to CPEC report).
  - ii. Planning for ASCSU Lobby Day
- e. Potential GE referrals
  - i. American Institutions/Potential Title 5 Change
  - ii. Golden 4 grade minima
- f. Intersegmental Lobby Day (April 5)
  - i. There are appointments with approximately 30 of 60 targeted legislators so far.
  - ii. 10:00-5:00 appointments.
  - iii. Will meet at 10:00 in the 6<sup>th</sup> floor cafeteria. Wess Larson will be joining us.
  - iv. The committee shared several suggestions for ensuring effectiveness in visits and follow-ups.

### **Executive Committee**

- 1. Announcements
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. Approval of minutes – April 1, 2011
  - a. The minutes of the April 1 teleconference were approved.
- 4. Legislative update
  - a. Not much has happened in the past week
  - b. Committees are now deliberating
  - c. Legislative developments will become more clear by the end of the month
  - d. Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer Quillian, in his report to the campus chairs, did not seem to have much more information about developments than we do.

5. SB 1440 Implementation
  - a. Due to turnover, new CSU Faculty Discipline and Review Group (FDRG) members in Philosophy are needed. The committee shared suggestions.
  - b. There may be some difficulties in criminal justice.
  - c. Business has a TMC with many options—there is concern that the TMC may not meet the desired format.
  - d. There is some concern that the desire to avoid “disruption” may be trumping the desire to develop the best preparatory pattern for students.
  - e. Jim had a long talk with ASCCC President Jane Patton about the progress of the project. She will be taking over management of the project next year.
6. Early Start
  - a. There is no information to report, including about the letters sent to campuses dealing with the minimum units and charges.
  - b. There may be a separate feedback letter to the campuses dealing with their specific proposals.
  - c. Is there a deadline for revisions to campus plans? Yes, but it is unclear what the deadline is.
7. Ad hoc Task Force on Senate Bylaws
  - a. The committee is continuing to meet.
8. Extended Education/On-Line Education
  - a. The campus senate chairs reported that there were a number of visits from the on-line task force team. Reactions to the visits varied—some reported concerns with the implied plans for broad-reaching implementation of on-line degrees.
  - b. There is significant concern on some campuses over the direction/impetus for the on-line initiative.
  - c. It is important that Academic Technology Advisory Committee (ATAC) be integrally involved in this process.
    - i. Many of the issues being explored now have already been discussed by ATAC and ATSC in the past.
  - d. Jim shared notes from ATAC where these issues have been discussed.
  - e. Will something be piloted by this fall? Chair Postma is unaware of a system-wide initiative but indicated that campuses may be doing something by the fall.
  - f. Degree completion may very well be a prime focus of potential degree offerings.
9. California state budget
  - a. Intersegmental Lobby Day was discussed.
  - b. Our experience earlier in the week in Sacramento has brought no optimism about a budget resolution. It appears likely that a second round of cuts may happen.
10. May plenary planning/update
  - a. Trustee Hauck
    - i. We are waiting on confirmation/update from AA staff regarding his visit.
    - ii. The committee suggested a couple of potential questions to supply him with prior to his visit.

- b. Executive Vice Chancellor and Executive Vice Chancellor Ben Quillian –Waiting on confirmation from B&F staff
  - c. Richard Katz (on-line task force)– Coordinating with Mr. Katz for a time-certain
  - d. Organizational Meeting – May 6<sup>th</sup> from 1-3
  - e. Amir Dabirian/clickers for the election– Waiting for scheduling confirmation from his staff
  - f. Senate Social—Senators Krabacher and Gubernat will take the lead. Senator Lo Casio will be contacted regarding a cake.
11. March Newsletter/Resolution Summary update
- a. Should be posted soon.
  - b. The January version has not yet been posted.
12. Liaison reports
- a. April 7 Campus Senate Chairs
    - i. Attendance was down from prior meetings.
    - ii. Chair Postma discussed the process of amending the ASCSU constitution. Campuses may be scheduling the change for their next campus-wide elections.
    - iii. Chair Postma brought up the potential American Institutions change in Title 5.
    - iv. The group has re-added staff to their listserv.
    - v. Margaret Merryfield came down to discuss electronic evaluations of teaching.
      - 1. The group was very interested in faculty recruitment—the last systemwide report has been delayed.
      - 2. There appears to be a commitment to maintain the tenured/tenure track faculty ranks without actions to follow through. Northridge is aggressively recruiting.
    - vi. Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Academic Officer Ben Quillian made a presentation on the budget.
    - vii. The chairs were interested in the on-line initiative and asked Dr. Quillian a number of questions that he was unable to answer satisfactorily at this time.
    - viii. There were a variety of approaches taken towards scheduling individuals to meet with the Katz on-line task force during campus visits. In some cases the senates seemed to be left out of the process.
  - b. April 5 Intersegmental Lobby Day
    - i. The planning seemed a little last minute.
    - ii. It would be useful to have materials on the members we will be visiting.
    - iii. We should be prepared to answer questions on the higher education financial return analysis methodology.
    - iv. Most of the Executive will be there.
  - c. April 8 CFA Board of Directors meeting (Westin San Francisco) Chair Postma will attend.
  - d. April 13-15 English Council. Senator Gubernat will attend.
  - e. April 16-18 CSSA (CHESS XVI, Sacramento). Chair Postma will see if it is appropriate for him to make an appearance.
  - f. April 23 ERFA. Chair Postma will attend.
  - g. May 6-8 CSSA (San Luis Obispo). Chair Postma will attend.
13. Liaison planning

- a. May Board Meeting. Jim, Kevin, John and Diana to attend.
  - i. May 9 Agenda Setting 3:00 Tom will link via video.
  - ii. May 9 Meeting with CSSA 4:00 Tom will link via teleconference.
  - iii. May 10-11 BOT John will attend on Tuesday, Kevin on Wednesday.

14. Additional April and/or May Exec Conference Call Dates?

15. Meeting with Executive Vice Chancellor and Chief Financial Officer Ephraim Smith

- a. CSU Budget and Enrollment Strategies
  - i. We are awaiting news from the Governor—all cuts budget?
  - ii. Tuition increases, enrollment cuts, personnel actions would all be on the table with more cuts.
  - iii. We may be caught with a terrible situation in which funds would be expended in the fall without a budget. Subsequent budget cuts would fall doubly heavily in the spring.
  - iv. We will meet with the campus Presidents next week to do some preliminary planning.
- b. SB 1440
  - i. Impaction Issues
  - ii. Title 5 Changes
    - 1. Golden 4 Grade Minima
      - a. It appears there is a split in policy across our campuses.
      - b. It may be desirable for us to align with the CCC Transfer AA policy to require a minimum of C in every course.
    - iii. Four TMCs have been completed and are being reviewed by campuses. EVC Smith reported on the number of CSU campuses who have vetted the TMCs.
    - iv. Both the Golden 4 grade minima and American Institutions waiver issues have been referred to GEAC.
    - v. Some issues remain.
      - 1. Declaration of major by CCC students—to allow for CSU enrollment management.
- c. Early Start Communications to Campuses.
  - i. Dr. Smith indicated that he thought letters went out to campus presidents or provosts with specific comments on the submitted plans.
  - ii. Dr. Smith will check to see where the feedback letters are.
- d. Communication (on budget and other) to campuses and to faculty.
  - i. Dr. Smith is preparing a campus communication including a 1440 update, budget news, etc. for distribution to campus leaders.
- e. Graduation Initiative
  - i. Only two campus visits remain.
  - ii. The information/ideas from campuses, especially dealing with narrowing the achievement gap, will be compiled and shared.
- f. Katz group on on-line education.

- i. Dr. Smith has not yet met with them.
- ii. Technology Steering Committee (TSC) will meet next year and Dr. Smith will ask about when a report can be expected.
- iii. Dr. Smith will review the Boyum document dealing with on-line programs.

#### 16. Committee Liaison Reports

##### a. APEP

- i. Are working on the Golden 4 grade minima resolution. There was debate about how consultation should take place. The resolution may not recommend a change at this time.
- ii. Many committee members felt that teleconference interim meetings were not very effective.
- iii. We need to make the argument that we are doing more work with a smaller budget.
- iv. Members were very concerned about cuts in assigned time. There was some support for only supporting 2 Senators per campus (with larger campuses having the ability to support a third Senator).
- v. They were concerned about decreased effectiveness of the Senate.

##### b. AA

- i. They were concerned about priority admissions under 1440.
- ii. They are interested in doing more to orient/mentor new Senators.
- iii. We need to be thoughtful about budget cuts. Perhaps we could indicate what we would cut in function given various cuts.

##### c. FA

- i. The committee offered suggestions for saving money
  1. Reducing overnight stays for LA area Senators
  2. Could we run our meetings longer? Until 7:00pm and meet for fewer days during plenary sessions?
- ii. They asked if there was a formal report from the travel task force from last year. Should we ask Catherine Nelson to provide a report or meet with FA?
- iii. There was some concern about the tone of the interactions during the Chancellor's report during the last plenary.

##### d. FGA

- i. They are working on resolutions on the transparency and Dream Act bills.
- ii. The committee is continuing planning for Legislative Day next week.
- iii. The CSU may be developing their own transparency bill.