

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF RESOLUTIONS ACADEMIC SENATE CSU PLENARY – MARCH 15-16, 2018

The Academic Senate CSU (ASCSU) met at the Chancellor's Office in Long Beach on March 15-16, 2018 and approved the following resolutions. All can be accessed at the [ASCSU website](#).

### **AS-3314-18/FGA (Rev)**

#### **Resolution of Concern Related to the Governor's Proposal for a State Education Online Learning Lab**

##### ***Withdrawn***

The ASCSU opposes the proposed Education Learning Lab in Governor Brown's recently released budget proposal that appears to duplicate work already taking place in the CSU with respect to faculty development to teach online courses, and in relation to adoption of Open Educational Resources. Elements of the proposal have problematic intended and potential unintended consequences.

### **AS-3315-18/EX (Rev)**

#### **Revisions to Faculty Trustee Recommendation Criteria and Procedures**

##### ***Approved Unanimously***

The ASCSU urges future trustee nominating committees to adopt revisions to the criteria and procedures for the selection of faculty trustee nominees contained in ([http://calstate.edu/AcadSen/Records/About the Senate/documents/Criteria Procedures Faculty Trustee.pdf](http://calstate.edu/AcadSen/Records/About_the_Senate/documents/Criteria_Procedures_Faculty_Trustee.pdf)), and further urges the committees to consult the "Best Practices for Selection of the Faculty Trustee" document attached to the resolution.  
(See <http://calstate.edu/AcadSen/Records/Resolutions/2017-2018/index.shtml>)

**AS-3316-18/FGA (Rev)**

**Tuition Increases in the California State University (CSU)**

***Approved***

In principle, the ASCSU opposes increases in tuition but recognizes that in the face of the continuing decline in the State's total investment, tuition remains one of the revenue streams that allows the CSU to continue its mission to facilitate graduation and student success. The ASCSU therefore encourages the Board of Trustees, in consultation with relevant stakeholders, to develop a long-term tuition policy that allows for predictable and gradual tuition increases.

**AS-3317-18/FA (Rev)**

**Counseling Support Services and Student Success**

***Approved Unanimously***

In recognizing the critical role student mental health plays in academic success, the ASCSU stresses the need for increased mental health services – particularly in-person, face-to-face counseling – on all CSU campuses. The ASCSU therefore urges the Chancellor and the Board of Trustees to 1) secure sufficient funding from the legislature to ensure that such mental health services are available on all campuses, 2) include counselor-to-student ratios in the Academic Planning Database, and along with campus administrators, 3) increase support for these services, particularly by increasing the staffing levels for full-time tenure-line Counselors.

**AS-3318-18/FGA (Rev)**

**2018 Legislative Advocacy Positions of the Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU)**

***Approved Unanimously***

The ASCSU adopts the provisional positions on bills currently under consideration in the California Legislature, identified in the document *2018 Legislative Advocacy Positions of the ASCSU* as a guide for its advocacy activities during the 2018 legislative calendar. If a change in a bill position is warranted, the ASCSU Executive Committee is empowered to act in this regard, should circumstances preclude consultation with the full Academic Senate.

**AS-3319-18/FGA (Rev)**

**Call of Continued Advocacy for Adequate Funding of the California State University in Lieu of a Tuition Increase**

*Approved Unanimously*

The ASCSU contends that given the five percent tuition increase in 2017-18, an additional increase in tuition is premature at this time. The ASCSU pledges to join with the California State Student Association and others to advocate for adequate state funding for the CSU.

**AS-3320-18/APEP**

**Participation in Peaceful Protest**

*Approved Unanimously*

The ASCSU endorses and commends the CSU Chancellor's statement that "Peaceful participation in demonstrations will have no impact on applicants for admission to California State University campuses. As a university, we encourage the peaceful exchange of diverse viewpoints and are committed to free speech rights." (March 1, 2018).

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The following resolutions were introduced for First Reading consideration and will be acted on at the Academic Senate CSU's May Plenary:

**AS-3321-18/EX**

**Academic Senate of the CSU Calendar of 2018-2019 Meetings**

The preliminary calendar for the 2018-2019 meetings of the ASCSU was presented for consideration. A change from previous years is the substitution of a three-day meeting in Sacramento in April 2019 for that month's traditional one-day virtual interim meeting.

**AS-3322-18/AA**

**Endorsement of the "White Paper on Student Success"**

The ASCSU endorses the document *White Paper on Student Success*. The ASCSU further recognizes that student success 1) is the degree to which students possess the skills, knowledge, habits, attitudes, values, and credentials necessary to attain their academic, career, and other life goals; and 2) requires that students develop intellectually, emotionally, aesthetically, physically, socially and ethically. The ASCSU urges the Chancellor's Office and Board of Trustees to adopt the same definition of student success.

### **AS-3323-18/FA**

#### **Condemning the Intrusion of Outside Groups into the Development of Curriculum**

The ASCSU asserts that faculty have the necessary knowledge and expertise to create the most effective curriculum for CSU students and furthermore 1) requests that the Chancellor's Office be transparent about the sources of the curriculum changes found in Executive Orders (EO) 1100 and 1110 and in future initiatives, 2) insists that the ASCSU be given adequate opportunity to review and provide feedback on future curriculum recommendations, and 3) and condemns efforts to push out curriculum based on untested ideas and research that has not been peer-reviewed.

### **AA-3324-18/APEP**

#### **Equity and Responsibility in Admissions to the Distinctive Universities and Campuses of the California State University System**

The ASCSU endorses practices that give an admission advantage to applicants from the local admission areas of the individual campuses while balancing the ability for other students from outside of the local region to access "out of local area" campuses and programs. The ASCSU also urges the CSU to resist efforts by outside bodies that could undermine its commitment to inclusive excellence for all potential CSU students.

### **AA-3325-18/AA**

#### **The State University Grant Program: A Call for Full Funding from the State**

The ASCSU encourages the Legislature, the Governor's Office, the CSU Board of Trustees, and the CSU Chancellor's Office to work in concert to ensure full funding of the State University Grant (SUG) Program from the State of California. It further requests that the Legislative Analyst's Office investigate the impact of the continued underfunding of the SUG program on student success.

### **AS-3326-18/FA**

#### **Protecting the Faculty from Attack by Outsiders**

The ASCSU urges the Chancellor's Office to appoint an ad hoc committee to draft a policy for addressing circumstances where CSU students or employees come under attack for their professional work or political stances.

### **AS-3327-18/FA**

#### **Appreciation of the CA-AUP and AAUP letters**

The ASCSU expresses its appreciation for the efforts of the AAUP and the California Council of the AAUP in advocating for genuine shared governance in public higher education, and acknowledges receipt of letters from AAUP and CA-AAUP concerning the

governance process surrounding the development, issuance and implementation of EOs 1100 [revised] and 1110.

The full text of ASCSU resolutions are available at:  
<http://calstate.edu/AcadSen/Records/Resolutions/>