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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF RESOLUTIONS
ACADEMIC SENATE CSU PLENARY – MARCH 16-17, 2023**

The Academic Senate CSU (ASCSU) met in hybrid format (in-person and virtually) on March 16-17, 2023.

APPROVED RESOLUTIONS

The ASCSU passed the following resolutions. Copies of these and other resolutions can be found at <https://www.calstate.edu/csu-system/faculty-staff/academic-senate/Pages/Resolutions.aspx>.

1. [AS-3587-23/APEP \(Rev\)](#)

Approved

Recommending a Fourth Year of Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning

There is data that shows a fourth year of quantitative reasoning (QR) is correlated with student success and increased degree attainment, even for students not pursuing a STEM degree. This resolution acknowledges that the requirement of a fourth year of QR may not be appropriate at this time, but seeks to keep the door open to this possibility in the future and asks that students be encouraged to take a fourth year of QR.

2. [AS-3590-23/AA \(Rev\)](#)

Approved

Request for Additional Input for the CSU 2030 Challenges: Faculty Perspectives Project

This resolution is a request to campus senate chairs for additional input for the project through the [CSU 2030 Feedback Portal](#).

3. [AS-3591-23/FGA/AA \(Rev\)](#)

Approved

A Call for State Gas/Oil Excess Profit Fee Funding in Support of Public Higher Education

The resolution thanks the Governor for the compact and suggests, in addition to the compact funding, excess profits in the Gas/Oil industry could be subject to a fee by Executive Order to help pay for Public Higher Education, in particular, scientific, environmental, and social justice efforts. An additional benefit of such funding is via the multiplier effect with a \$1 investment in the CSU resulting in

\$6.98 of industry activity and far greater overall benefit when one considers the enhanced earnings of CSU alumni.

4. [AS-3592-23/FA \(Rev\)](#)

Compensation for AB 928 Implementation

Approved

Highlights the additional workload that accompanies California AB 928 tasks, above and beyond our already increasing service burdens across the CSU. Since this adds additional burden to faculty that worked on the Cal-GETC proposal and will work on revising the ADT degrees, this resolution asks that compensation be provided for what so far has constituted an unfunded mandate.

5. [AS-3593-22/EX \(Rev\)](#)

Revision of Special Rule Governing Debate on Substantive Motions

Approved

Clarifies a special rule of order concerning the number of speakers permitted on motions.

6. [AS-3594-23/APEP \(Rev\)](#)

Regarding Coursework and Correspondences in Subject Matter Domains for Teaching

Approved

The legislature, via AB 130, has created expanded opportunities for meeting subject matter competency (SMC) requirements. In particular, AB 130 permits students to meet SMC through a "mix and match" of coursework and CSET subtests. This resolution seeks to ensure that these "mix and match" correspondences all draw on relevant disciplinary faculty expertise and that a master course list is created and maintained.

7. [AS-3595-23/FA/FGA \(Rev\)](#)

Approved

Equitable Capping of Executive Administrative Raises in the CSU Compared to Other Unit Employee Raises

Highlights the inequity that was less-than-anticipated pay raises for faculty and staff while at the same time approving not one, but in many cases two pay raises for presidents within the last year; many of those raises were double-digit percentages. This resolution calls for greater alignment in percentage increases in pay between faculty, staff, and executives in the CSU, to prevent such inequitable pay raises from occurring in the future.

8. [AS-3597-23/FA \(Rev\)](#)

Approved

Dissemination of Report and Recommendations by the Cozen O'Connor Team Investigating Title IX Practices on CSU campuses

Reinforces the need for transparency surrounding the Cozen O'Connor findings about Title IX and DHR practices within the CSU. It reminds the CSU of its promise to release campus reports to each campus, as well as requests that overall system findings be distributed to the ASCSU at our May plenary meeting.

9. [AS-3598-23/EX \(Rev\)](#)

Approved

Apportionment of Academic Senate CSU (ASCSU) Seats

Annual apportionment of ASCSU seats as required by ASCSU Bylaws.

10. [AS-3599-23/APEP \(Rev\)](#)

Approved

California State University Authority over Changes to College Preparatory A-G Standards and Guidelines

Arises from concerns expressed by the Math Council regarding coursework being approved by the University of California (UC) for Area C (Math) that does not actually meet the state of California's common core standards and does not prepare students. However, what that issue has brought to light is the complete lack of control that the CSU has over the a-g high school requirements that are used for admission to our system. This resolution seeks to encourage a conversation between leadership within the two systems (and within the senates of the two systems) about this issue.

11. [AS-3600-23/FA](#)

Approved

Support and Commendation for University of California Graduate Student and Post-Doctoral Workers

Emphasizes that while the UC strike, considered the largest higher education strike in US history, is over, its importance and impact continue. The resolution expresses support for this struggle and that it also affects the CSU.

12. [AS-3601-23/AA](#)

Approved

Support for Maintaining Veteran's Centers on all CSU Campuses

Recognizes the role Veterans' Centers play in veteran students' success in the same way that the Diversity and Inclusion Centers play in that of underrepresented student groups. It also asks that each CSU campus maintain a working Veterans' Center with financial and staff support and, where possible, collaborate with nearby Veterans' Centers in order to help veteran students succeed.

13. [AS-3602-23/APEP \(Rev\)](#)

Approved

Recommendation Regarding Advanced Placement Precalculus

Addresses how the new Advanced Placement/AP Pre-Calculus exam will be treated in the Credit for Prior Learning Policy. This resolution reflects the recommendation of the CSU Math Council.

14. [AS-3603-23/FGA/JEDI](#)

Approved

On AB 506 and Control of the CSU Curriculum

Conditionally supports AB 506, if amended, to make clear the primacy of the role of CSU faculty in defining CSU degrees and requests better funding for intersegmental curricular work and to increase the cooperation and understanding between CSU Ethnic Studies faculty and CCC Ethnic Studies course proposers.

15. [AS-3605-23/FGA](#)

Approved

2023 Legislative Advocacy Positions of the Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU)

The resolution adopts provisional positions on legislation to guide legislative advocacy during the 2023 Legislative calendar.

16. [AS-3618-23/AA](#)

Approved

Condemnation of the California Community College's Decision to Proceed with a Duplicative Baccalaureate Degree

Makes clear the ASCSU's grave disappointment with the decision by the Community College system's Board of Governors to approve the Feather River BS Ecosystem Restoration and Applied Fire Management degree over the objections of the CSU in apparent violation of the spirit, if not the letter, of AB 927.

FIRST READING

The following resolutions were presented for feedback from Senators and communication to campuses. The sponsoring committee(s) will revise these resolutions and introduce them for action at the May 2023 plenary.

1. [AS-3604-23/EX](#)

Approved

In Memoriam: Michael Ritter, Academic Senate CSU Senator 2015-16

Commemorates former ASCSU senator, Michael Ritter, for his 32 years of service in the CSU, his dedication to students, and social justice activism during and beyond his CSU service.

2. [AS-3606-23/EX](#)
ASCSU Awards for Outstanding Contributions to the CSU
Recommends the Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU) establish annual awards for "Outstanding Contributions to the CSU."
3. [AS-3607-23/EX](#)
Approved by Acclamation
Commendation for ASCSU Senator Leo Van Cleve
Commends Leo Van Cleve for his esteemed service to the CSU, including his contributions to International Education and his role as Chancellor's-appointed ASCSU representative.
4. [AS-3608-23/AA](#)
CSU Discipline Council Involvement in California Community College (CCC) Course Review
There has been some confusion as to the role of the discipline councils in the review of courses proposed by California Community Colleges for general education credit. This resolution reaffirms that the relevant discipline councils should be involved in the selection of reviewers for any course proposed by community colleges that would count towards a CSU degree.
5. [AS-3609-23/FGA](#)
Encouraging Campus Faculty Legislative Specialists
Requests campus Senates create a campus faculty Legislative Specialist position who would work jointly with individuals in the ASCSU Legislative Specialist role, the Fiscal and Governmental Affairs (FGA) Committee, and the Chancellor Office Advocacy and State Relations office to increase campus understanding of and involvement in faculty advocacy efforts.
6. [AS-3610-23/AA](#)
Exploring the Impact of Artificial Intelligence (AI) on Higher Education Instruction
AI has come into the public consciousness in the last few months with the launch of ChatGPT. This resolution (crafted with the help of ChatGPT) renews a call of an earlier resolution ([AS-3360-19/AA \[Rev\]](#)) calling for the establishment of a task force to look into the impact of AI on higher education and encourage discussions at the campus senate level.
7. [AS-3611-23/EX](#)
Academic Senate CSU 2023-2024 Meetings
Resolves that the ASCSU adopt the prescribed schedule of meetings for 2023-2024 with the caveat that ASCSU Executive Committee retains the right to change the schedule, with adequate notice, should the Board of Trustees alter their schedule.

8. AS-3612-23/AA

Graduate Education as Value-Added Outcome for Public Higher Education in California

Urges the Governor, Legislature, CSU Board of Trustees, Interim Chancellor and Faculty, UC Regents, President and Faculty, and California business and industry leaders to: 1) recognize the State's economic strength depends on investing in graduate education; and 2) support policies that ensure graduate education retain academic excellence and attract students. Affirms and underscores the important need to address six prior ASCSU resolutions and recommendations pertaining to graduate education in the CSU. Urges that an ASCSU/CSU Task Force on Graduate Education in the CSU be formed without delay.

9. AS-3613-23/AA

On the Process of Identifying and Resolving Issues of Duplication of CSU Programs in AB 927 California Community College 4-year Baccalaureate Programs

The Chancellor's Office (CO) worked collaboratively with the ASCSU last year in dealing with the 4-year baccalaureate programs proposed by California Community Colleges (CCC) as allowed by AB 927. This resolution thanks the CO for its efforts in shared governance in this regard and urges that it continue to work collaboratively with the ASCSU in future rounds of AB 927 program proposals. It is anticipated that this resolution it will also be used as a vehicle to allow the ASCSU to suggest ways in which the CSU faculty can be involved in working to resolve impasses such as with the Feather River BS Ecosystem Restoration and Applied Fire Management degree which the CCCs' Board of Governors has approved over the objections of the CSU.

10. AS-3614-23/JEDI

Solidarity with Immunocompromised, Disabled and Caregiver ASCSU Members

This resolution addresses the blaming, shaming, and guilt that is being directed towards ASCSU senators who are immunocompromised, disabled, and caregivers of people who are unable to attend in-person meetings because they are dealing with physical challenges that make them vulnerable to contracting COVID-19 and other contagious severe diseases. The resolution stresses the importance of continuing the support we created and implemented during the pandemic while enhancing our community of care.

11. AS-3615-23/AA

On the Separation of CSU GE Breadth from Cal-GETC

This resolution makes clear the ASCSU's position that Cal-GETC applies to transfers only and not CSU GE Breadth, and that decisions on CSU GE are the purview of the CSU faculty and not an intersegmental entity such as the Intersegmental Committee of Academic Senates (ICAS).

12. AS-3616-23/FA
Providing Timely and Quality Counseling within the CSU
Calls for the CSU to sever its relationship with the third-party mental health provider TimelyMD and instead invest that money into expanding counseling services and tenure-track counselors across the CSU.
13. AS-3617-23/JEDI
Amending the Constitution of the Academic Senate, the California State University (ASCSU) to Add Three Designated Temporary Faculty Positions
This resolution articulates changes to the ASCSU constitution that add three designated temporary faculty positions.
14. AS-3619-23/FA
Maintaining Educational Continuity During Emergencies and Disasters
This resolution is the longer-term resolution promised to the body when discussing the earlier two resolutions on COVID-19 that came out of the Faculty Affairs (FA) Committee this year. It calls for the CSU and each campus to develop an Educational Continuity policy that would be immediately activated when an emergency is called (whether locally or statewide). It also includes some best practices to consider when developing such policies.
15. AS-3620-23/JEDI
Change in Bylaws of the Academic Senate, the California State University (ASCSU) to Accommodate the Addition of Three Designated Temporary Faculty Positions
This resolution articulates changes to the ASCSU bylaws that add three designated temporary faculty positions to the senate body.