

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF RESOLUTIONS ACADEMIC SENATE CSU PLENARY – SEPTEMBER 15-16, 2016

The Academic Senate CSU (ASCSU) met at the Chancellor's Office in Long Beach September 15-16, 2016 and approved or conducted first readings on the following resolutions. All can be accessed at the [ASCSU website](#).

Receipt of the Quantitative Reasoning Task Force Report

AS-3264-16/EX – Approved Unanimously

With this resolution the Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU) formally receives the Quantitative Reasoning Task Force Report and forwards it to the Chancellor's Office with the request that discussions on implementation of the report's recommendations begin. The resolution also thanks the task force members for their work in preparing the report.

Implementation of Quantitative Reasoning Task Force (QRTF) Recommendations That Reflect Items Previously Approved by the Academic Senate CSU

AS-3265-16/APEP – Approved

This resolution requests that the Chancellor's Office begin implementation of those recommendations in the Quantitative Reasoning Task Force Report that have already been endorsed by the ASCSU.

Commendation for Vice Chancellor Lori Lamb

AS-3266-16/FA – Approved by Acclamation

This ASCSU resolution commends Lori Lamb for her service as CSU Vice Chancellor, Human Resources, a position she has held since 2014.

Support of Proposition 55 on the November 2016 Ballot: Tax Extension to Fund Education and Healthcare

AS 3267-16/FGA – Approved Unanimously

The ASCSU supports passage of Proposition 55 on the November 2016 ballot. The Proposition would extend for 12 years the income tax increases contained in Proposition 30 while eliminating that Proposition's more regressive sales tax hike. Revenue generated by Proposition 55 would go primarily to support K-12 education and healthcare. Although it provides no direct funding for the CSU and UC, investments in K-12 education ultimately benefit the higher education segments by contributing to better prepared students and a more stable state fiscal environment.

Additional Commendation:

A commendation was offered for Senator Michael Ritter (San Francisco), who has completed his service on the ASCSU.

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

FIRST READING ITEMS

The following items were introduced at the September 15-16, 2016 plenary. They will be acted upon at the November 3-4, 2016 meeting. Please contact the committee chair (listed below) for more information.

Response to ACR 158 (Holden): Postsecondary Education: Transfers

AS-3268-16/FGA – First Reading

ACR 158 (Holden), in calling for development of a seamless system of student transfer among, and especially within, California's higher education segments, displays an unawareness of the transfer mechanisms currently in place and mischaracterizes the role played by the segments' academic senates in facilitating transfer. The purpose of this resolution is to correct those misunderstandings and urge legislators, including the author of ACR 158, to consult with the ASCSU the CSU, UC, and community college academic senates and segment administrations when considering future legislative actions on transfer.

Course Grading in the Golden Four

AS-3269-16/AA – First Reading

This resolution recommends that (1) transfer of credit for lower division basic subjects in General Education (GE) (oral communication, written communication, quantitative reasoning, and critical thinking, or the "Golden Four") conform to the practices of the institution where the student completes the course(s), (2) reaffirms ASCSU support for a C (2.0) grade minimum for a student to satisfy the Golden Four area requirements, and (3) encourages the adoption of a system-wide requirement of a grade of C or better for credit in these courses.

Endorsement of the Quantitative Reasoning Task Force Recommendations

AS-3270-16/APEP – First Reading

This resolution endorses the recommendations in the Quantitative Reasoning Task Force Report and requests the Office of the Chancellor to engage the ASCSU and appropriate stakeholders in the implementation of those recommendations.

Establishment of an ASCSU Faculty Workgroup to Study General Education

AS-3271-16/AA – First Reading

The resolution directs the ASCSU to form a working group on General Education for the purpose of supporting the value, quality, and diversity of General Education (GE) programs system-wide, and that it do this by (1) analyzing the data from Coded Memorandum ASA-2016-19, (2) examining and offering suggestions on best practices in identified key areas, (3) urging that state legislators consult with California's higher education segments (both academic senates and administrations) when considering legislative action on postsecondary student transfer, and (4) requesting that expenses associated with the working group be covered by the CSU Chancellor's Office.

For comments or questions:

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