Academic Affairs (AA) Committee
MINUTES
Friday, April 19, 2019; 10:00am-2:00pm
Virtual Meeting
http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Committees/Academic_Affairs/index.shtml

1. Welcome; Call to Order; Roll Call
Chair Yee-Melichar welcomed everyone. The meeting was called to order at 10:00am. In attendance were Senators Yee-Melichar (Chair), Schlievert (Vice Chair), Butler-Byrd, Creadon, LoCasio, Millar, Rodan; AVC Wrynn., and Senator Ullman. AVC Minor and Senators Reeder, Trevisan and Urey were excused as they were attending other meetings (Math Council, etc).

2. Approval of Agenda
http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Committees/academic_affairs/agendas.shtml
Agenda was approved as amended with two additional items.

3. Approval of Minutes for March 13, 2019
http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Committees/Academic_Affairs/meetings.shtml
Minutes were approved unanimously.

4. Campus and Member Announcements
There were campus reports from:
   o Fresno State and Bakersfield are on Spring Break this week.
   o San Jose State will have a new ASCSU Senator in the Fall.
   o San Francisco State is in the process of conducting a search for a new President. SF State’s Commencement will be held at Oracle Park.
   o San Diego State has a new Provost. The MPP demographics are changing.

5. Chair’s Report
5.1. Extended Executive Committee meetings
   o There is a “packed” agenda for the May Plenary: In addition to the Resolutions and Election of Officers, there are two competing resolutions about the GETF Report. Please note that Hank Reichman (AAUP) will discuss Academic Freedom, and the Sacramento Student Success Network will also present.
CSSA (Mia Kagianas, President) shared concerns about impaction designations and the difficulty of getting courses to graduate, the quantitative reasoning requirements and staffing, and the GETF Report (can students comment?).

To date, nine campuses have sent resolutions about the GETF Report: Seven rejected it, one asked for a survey, and one wanted to survey their faculty. AVP Wrynn said that it is the ASCSU’s document and that the Chancellor’s Office is “not going into that.”

Senate Chairs were concerned about full-time Counselors (SB 660) because they felt that money would be shifted from tenure density. There was discussion about reducing the amount of residency from three years to two (reduction of resources?) and Health Center medical requirements (SB 24).

Given the FGA/AA joint resolution, the Chancellor will look at restoring the Electronic Core Curricular (ECC) over time.

6. Liaison Reports

6.1. Chancellor’s Office (CO) Liaisons
AVC Alison Wrynn (Time Certain: 10:45am)
Dr. Wrynn was in Sacramento for the AB 829 (Occupational Therapy Doctorate) discussions. She will return next week to testify against AB 1460 (Weber bill). She was asked about CFA speaking to curricular issues, the engineering/model curriculum, and parity.

6.2. Executive Committee (ExComm) Liaison
Senator Jodie Ullman (Time Certain: 12:30pm)
Senator Ullmann reported that the ExComm had discussed hotel costs with AVC Van Cleve, citing the reduction of “intangible productivity” and Lift/Uber costs. Senators will be asked about their directory information preferences and will be given explicit and clear directions.

Chair Nelson will testify in Sacramento, supporting Ethnic Studies but opposing the Weber bill (AB 1460).

From Academic Affairs, Senator Ullman will take back to ExComm the Artificial Intelligence Resolution, the Student Success 2.0 Resolution, the Engineering MC Resolution, and our support of the ECC. She heard from committee members about the increase in hate groups on campuses, ageism and marginalization, and campus climate concerns.

She characterized the GETF Report as a “compromise,” “up in the air,” and “to start the conversation.” For the American Institutions (AI) component, she said that there could be a three-unit graduation requirement plus a three-unit G.E. requirement with Civic Engagement. She added that CSSA President Mia Kagianas was on the Task Force. Discussion continued about the GETF Report.

7. Systemwide Committee and Task Force Reports*
http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Committees/SystemwideCommList.shtml

7.1. Center for Community Engagement workgroup
Jeffrey Reeder

7.2. Committee on Academic Technology and Online Education
Simon Rodan

7.3. Course Identification Numbering Project (C-ID)
James LoCascio
7.4. Disabilities Advisory Committee
   Gwen Urey
7.5. English Council Liaison
   Mary Ann Creadon
7.6. Commission on Extended University
   Jeffrey Reeder
7.7. General Education Advisory Committee (GEAC)
   Mary Ann Creadon, Susan Schlievert, Cynthia Trevisan, Darlene Yee-Melichar
7.8. General Education (GE) Taskforce
   Mary Ann Creadon, Darlene Yee-Melichar
7.9. Institute for Teaching and Learning (ITL) Advisory Board
   Nola Butler-Byrd, Jeffrey Reeder, Darlene Yee-Melichar
7.10. Joint Graduate Board
   Susan Schlievert
7.11. Math Council Liaison
   Cynthia Trevisan
7.12. SB 1440 Implementation Oversight Committee (IOC)
   James LoCascio
7.13. Student Health Services Advisory Committee
   James LoCascio, Darlene Yee-Melichar
7.14. Student Information Systems and Services Committee (SISS)
   Janet Millar
7.15. Student Mental Health Services Advisory Committee
   Nola Butler-Byrd, Janet Millar
7.16. Summer Arts Advisory Council
   Susan Schlievert
7.17. Campus as Living Lab (CALL) – Sustainability Committee
   Gwen Urey
7.18. CSU on the Working Group on Piloting Anti-Bias Training at UC and CSU
   Nola Butler-Byrd
7.19. CSU Faculty Trustee Recommending Committee
   Nola Butler-Byrd

* Systemwide committee and task force reports can be found in the AA Committee Dropbox.

8. Resolutions
   http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Records/Resolutions/

8.1. AS-3360-19/AA - “The Impact of Artificial Intelligence (AI) on Higher Education”
   (Second Reading)
   Simon Rodan, Nola Butler-Byrd, Susan Schlievert, Darlene Yee-Melichar
   Updates: Senator Rodan made changes based on input from other senators, adding that it’s not only about finding jobs but encompasses one’s role in society. He will change “jobs” to “career.” He discussed the Resolution with Michael Berman, Chief Innovation Officer & Deputy CIO. There is Trustee interest, and it aligns with GI 2025.

8.2. AS-3371-19/AA – “Endorsement of the Student Success White Paper 2.0 Process”
(Second Reading)
Susan Schlievert
Simon Rodan, Nola Butler-Byrd, Susan Schlievert, Darlene Yee-Melichar
Updates: Chair Yee-Melichar suggested developing a template for data collection and using Survey Monkey. Senator Schlievert has collected an additional 400 responses and will code them.

8.3. Proposed resolution on “Endorsement of Engineering Model Curricula for Transfer to Receive the Same Special Benefits/Guarantees Upon Transfer to CSU as Model Transfer Curriculum (TMC)”
(First Reading/Waiver)
Senator LoCascio conferred with Jim Postma about the issue. Alison inquired about the G.E. component; Jim will modify the document and add it. There needs to be a waiver of second reading for this to be finalized with the current Senate.

9. Discussion Items
9.1. Impact of AI on curriculum and on structure/delivery of education.
(See 8.1).
9.2. As a follow-up to the CO response to our ASCSU White Paper on Student Success, AA will add to this White Paper with student perspectives on what student success means to them.
9.3. General Education (GE) Task Force Report
The Report was discussed throughout the meeting (See 6.2).
9.4. Ethnic Studies
Senator Collins (ExComm) proposed a Resolution about Ethnic Studies. AA passed a Resolution last year supporting Ethnic Studies. Chair Yee-Melichar was asked to contact FGA for updates.
Senator Rodan asked about the possibility of getting the information about legislative bills being tracked at the January meeting instead of the March meeting. AVC Wrynn responded that they weren’t released until the end of February this year.
9.5. Hate Groups
Senator Butler-Boyd and San Diego State have seen an escalation of hate crimes. Chair Yee-Melichar will invite Dr. Suzanne Phillips to the May meeting. In order to share campus climate data if any? Are we doing enough? How do we proceed?

10. Review of Chancellor’s Office Response to ASCSU Resolutions
http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Records/Resolutions/co_response/index.shtml
AVC Minor is meeting with the Math Council today. The Chancellor is not relaxing the requirements of the Executive Orders pertaining to EarlyStart implementation.

11. Review of CSU Board of Trustees Agenda (Committee on Educational Policies)
https://www2.calstate.edu/csu-system/board-of-trustees/Pages/agenda.aspx
The Agenda is not posted at this time.

12. New Business
Not at this time.
13. Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 2:15p.m. Chair Yee-Melichar apologized for going over time of the meeting; she thanked the committee for another productive meeting. She wished everyone a restful weekend.