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ABSENT

W. Taylor

EXCUSED ABSENCE

Chair Bezdecny convened the (Zoom) meeting at 1:48 p.m.

Chair Bezdecny read the Tongva land acknowledgement.

1. 1.1 Chair's announcements:
- 1.1.1 This week marks the beginning of Latinx Heritage Month. It begins September 15. As events start to take place and the Senate office learns about them, we'll announce those as well.
- 1.1.2 Due to our president retiring at the end of this academic year, the Senate Exec and administration have all agreed that the best approach moving forward would be to postpone the Provost search until next year. This will allow for common practice that the new president will have a voice in the choosing of a provost for the campus. The search committee members have been notified.
- 1.1.3 We are looking for volunteers or nominations for the Faculty Perceptions Committee. This is an opportunity for faculty to provide input on administrators as they're up for review. Please contact the Academic Senate office or me directly if you, or a colleague you know, might be interested.
- 1.1.4 This is the short version of the timeline for AB 928 and we are on a tight deadline. We have until the end of the year as a system to notify the other two systems and the state legislature whether or not we approve the common transfer GE pattern. We haven't been charged yet but should be by the end of the week. We are currently recommending the following pattern with more information to follow:
September 16: ASCSU formally charges us with reviewing the common transfer GE pattern
September 27: Information session on common transfer GE pattern (more to follow)
October 11: 1st Reading on common transfer GE pattern
October 25: 2nd Reading on common transfer GE pattern resolution
October 31: Deadline for campus feedback on common transfer GE pattern
November 2-3: ASCSU formally votes on common transfer GE pattern
- 1.1.5 There's an update on the Cozen visit. Cozen O'Connor is the legal firm looking at Title IX, discrimination, harassment, and retaliation issues across the system. They will be visiting our campus November 29, 30 and December 1. We are hoping to get as many stakeholders as possible to meet with them.
- 1.1.6 On August 29, 2022, President Covino returned unsigned the following recommendation:
Proposed New Guidelines: University-wide Guiding Principles of Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Belonging at Cal State LA.
- 1.2 Senator Ramos announced: I would like to invite faculty and colleagues to the CFA tabling tomorrow, September 14, 12:00-2:00 p.m. to pick up calendar of faculty right's events and meet members of CFA e-board.
- 1.3 K. Elliott-Brown, AVP/Dean of GS announced: On Tuesday, September 20, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. we will be hosting the Graduate and Professionals School Recruitment Day. It's our recruitment fair for our undergrads and there will be 53 recruiters from local schools and our graduate programs as well. Please share this information with your students.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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1.4 Senator Riggio announced: I wanted to inform the Senate that I learned about an arbitration agreement that happened between CFA and Cal Poly SLO that reaffirms the document EP&R 7636 as the guiding document for faculty workload in the CSU. I have the arbitration agreement document, which is referred to in Appendix H of our contract in a memorandum of understanding called “Article 20 changes”. Please email me if you would like to receive this information.

CONCERNS FROM THE
FLOOR

2. Senator Wells raised the following concern: This is for the Executive Committee. I noticed that the May 10 meeting minutes, which were approved at our last Senate meeting nor has the resolution of no confidence in President Covino been publicly posted. I would like to know when that will happen, if there is a delay, or a reason that it’s not being publicly posted – or what is the reason?

Chair Bezdecny replied from the floor that the Senate office is short staffed (down 50%) and we are experiencing a delay out of the Senate office. The office will work as swiftly as possible within what is currently feasible to get those documents posted on the website.

INTENT TO RAISE
QUESTIONS

3. 3.1 Senator Harris announced his intent to raise the following questions:
Appropriate respondents to this question could be FPC, the VP for Faculty Affairs, and the Provost.
In the College of Arts & Letters, the college sabbatical review committee and the dean use a rubric to evaluate sabbatical applications. The rubric and associated commentary from reviewers are shared with applicants as a means to provide formative feedback that is especially helpful for faculty from under-represented groups and first-time college graduate faculty such as myself.
The Provost’s Office does not provide feedback on final sabbatical decisions even when those decisions are in marked contrast to evaluations from the college level. Why is the final decision not made more transparently?
What can be done to make the end stages of the sabbatical review process more transparent and formative for applicants?

3.2 Chair Bezdecny provided an update to the outstanding IRQ raised at the last meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE
MINUTES

4. It was m/s/p (Larkins) to approve the minutes of the meeting of August 30, 2022 (ASM 22-2).

APPROVAL OF THE
AGENDA

5. 5.1 It was m/s/ (DeShazo) to approve the agenda.
5.2 It was m/s/ (Jamehbozorg) to remove item 9. Debate ensued. The motion failed. (V: 14/31)
5.3 The agenda was approved.

SENATE CHAIR’S REPORT

6. 6.1 Chair Bezdecny presented her report.
6.2 It was m/s/ (Riggio) to charge the Executive Committee with drafting a resolution in support of new parental leave law that’s being considered by the Governor. No objections were raised.

PROVOST’S REPORT

7. Provost Gomez presented his report. A question and answer period followed.

ESTABLISH ACADEMIC
SENATE MEETING
MODALITY: FALL 2022

8. 8.1 It was m/s/ (Riggio) that the Senate meetings remain virtual for fall 2022.
8.2 It was m/s/p (Hanan) to amend the Riggio motion to replace fall 2022 with the 2022-23AY. (V: 30/16)
8.3 It was m/s/f (Keslacy) that the committee have a hi-flex meeting modality. (V: 9/35)
8.4 Debate ensued. The Riggio motion, as amended, was APPROVED. (V: 37/8/1)

9. 9.1 It was m/s/ (Baaske) to approve the recommendation.
 - 9.2 A five-minute question and discussion period took place.
 - 9.3 It was m/s/ (Flint) to extend the question and discussion period for an additional five minutes. No objections were raised.
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10. It was m/s/p (Baaske) to adjourn the meeting at 3:46 p.m.

PROPOSED POLICY MOD-
IFICATION: ACADEMIC
INFORMATION
RESOURCES SUB-
COMMITTEE, FACULTY
HANDBOOK, CHAPTER II
(22-1.1)
First-Reading Item

ADJOURNMENT