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CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN BERNARDINO
FACULTY SENATE MEETING, 54th SENATE
MC 205A (Obershaw Dining Room) or https://csusb.zoom.us/j/526138095

M I N U T E S
SESSION 01 - Tuesday, October 15, 2019 – 2-3:50 PM (Recording link)

Members Present: All members were present with the following exceptions: C. Davis, A. Johnson, M. Marx, M. Texeira


1. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Attachment 1 and 2
   1.1. Senator Ullman moved and Senator Rizzo seconded the motion to approve the Faculty Senate minutes for June 11, 2019, 54th Senate & June 11, 2019, 53rd Senate as presented PASSED Unanimously

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
   2.1. Senator Rizzo moved and Senator Murillo seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented. PASSED Unanimously

3. CHAIR’S REPORT – Attachment

4. PRESIDENT’S REPORT – Attachment
   4.1. Question: What specifically did you learn at the Board of Trustees Meeting that the Faculty should be aware of, i.e. faculty hiring
      4.1.1. Highlights of interest to faculty (agendas and video recordings in full can be found at the Chancellor’s Office website)
         4.1.1.1. Educational Policy: Proposal to modify first year admission requirements
         4.1.1.2. Governmental Relations: Resolution of support for an education bond expected to appear on the March 2020 ballot
         4.1.1.3. Campus Planning, Buildings and Grounds: Preliminary 5 year plan
         4.1.1.4. Finance: 2020-21 operating budget planning
4.1.1.5. Institutional Advancement: Recognition of CSUSB student recipient for a CSU Trustees’ Award for Outstanding Achievement

5. PROVOST’S REPORT – [Attachment]
5.1. Campus closure last week will not be a one-time event and we need to develop a plan to promote ongoing learning when the campus is closed.
5.1.1. What is the plan if there is a closure during finals week?
  5.1.1.1. Suggested to move everything forward a day or 2 days depending on how long the closure is
  5.1.1.2. Need accommodations for students who cannot take extra days off to make up the time
5.1.2. Can students be sent information through blackboard, email, etc.?
  5.1.2.1. Some students may not have power at their homes.
5.1.3. Was it just our campus?
  5.1.3.1. Notice from SCE went as far as Rancho Cucamonga; power never went off, but when the threat became “imminent” we made the decision to close.
5.1.4. What is still functioning when the campus is closed?
  5.1.4.1. All technology systems will work even when campus is closed because the data center is powered by generators for about 18 hours.
5.1.5. Improve/coordinate communications, especially with timing

5.2. When will there be clarification as to when we will be on 4/4 workload when we thought we were on 4/3? Last week CSBS got an email that it was a 4/4 workload.
5.2.1. With the semester system it is a 4/4 workload.
  5.2.1.1. CSBS provides release time across the board which other colleges cannot do.
  5.2.1.2. Looking at ways to protect junior faculty.
  5.2.1.3. Deans are working on reassigned time document and working to ensure reassigned time is achievable for everyone.

6. COMMUNICATIONS/INFORMATION ITEMS
6.1. Executive Committee Minutes May 30, 2019 – [Attachment]
6.2. Executive Committee Minutes June 6, 2019 – [Attachment]
6.3. Executive Committee Minutes September 24, 2019 – [Attachment]
6.4. Curriculum Items – Attachments 1, 2, 3

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

8. OLD BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS
9.1. Elections:
   9.1.1. Constitution & Bylaws Committee
   9.1.1.1. CAL
           9.1.1.1.1. Senator Kremling nominated Senator Steffel to serve as the CAL representative. Senator Steffel was elected.
   9.1.1.2. CBPA
           9.1.1.2.1. Senator Rizzo nominated Senator Brown to serve as the CBPA representative. Senator Brown was elected.
   9.1.2. FAM 652.1 Implementation Amendment (First Reading) – Attachment
   9.1.2.1. Senator Fischman moved and Senator Chen-Maynard seconded the motion to accept the first reading of FAM 652.1
            Implementation. Passed.
           9.1.2.1.1. Suggestion to not restrain highly-qualified faculty and possibly lose them

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS
10.1. EPRC
   10.1.1. Will be working to create a FAM for Curriculum process – please email your suggestions to Senator Fischman
10.2. FAC – Attachment
10.3. Q2S – Teach In Attachment
   10.3.1. Q2S Awareness Week, asking the faculty to again conduct a Teach In with students
10.4. WSCUC

11. STATEWIDE/ASCSU (ACADEMIC SENATE OF THE CSU) SENATORS’ REPORT – Attachment

12. SENATORS’ REPORTS (INCLUDING ASI PRESIDENT’S REPORT)
12.1. ASI is involved with the forming of a Complete Count Committee for the Census
13. DIVISION REPORTS
13.1. Vice President for Information Technology Services - Attachments 1 and 2
13.2. Vice President for University Advancement - Attachment
13.3. Academic Affairs/Deans’ Reports - Attachment
13.4. Vice President for Administration and Finance - Attachment

13.4.1. The Pub on campus currently closes at 6:00PM. Can the Pub stay open later or can we offer beer/wine at the Howl & Growl after 6:00PM?

13.4.1.1. Hours for all campus food services are based on demand and sales performance for each venue. While the Blue Coyote Pub has been open later in the evening in the past, the venue has operated at a historical loss after 6:00pm. We are excited that a new Pub will open in the new SMSU expansion, coming in Fall 2021, with anticipated expanded service hours. We will explore whether alcohol sales are possible at another venue that is open in the evening until the new Pub opens.

13.4.2. When the budget is set/finalized, how does it get divided? How much does CSUSB get? Is there a website or link with this information?

13.4.2.1. Allocations to the California State University are distributed to the campuses based on historical distributions, enrollment at each campus, age of the campus infrastructure, geographical cost of living, etc. On average, CSUSB has received approximately 4% of any new allocation from the CSU. 2019-20 fiscal year allocations to each campus (per FTE) are attached. CSU allocation data is included before and after we account for campus contributions to State University Grant (SUG) support for our students.

Potential allocations of new funding are reviewed and prioritized with the University Budget Advisory Committee, with representatives from the Faculty Senate. Final allocations are shared with the campus community annually at the University Budget Forum. Historical budget request information, along with annual Budget Forum presentations, can be found at: https://www.csusb.edu/budget/university-budget-advisory-committee/meeting-materials
The next University Budget Forum, which will review 2019-20 allocations and a forecast of the 2020-21 budget, will be on November 18, 9:00am, in SMSU Event Center A.

13.4.3. What were the details of the campus closure on Thursday, October 10?

13.4.3.1. Southern California Edison (SCE) has identified CSUSB as a high-risk fire zone, due to its proximity to the mountains. Across California, power companies have introduced a protocol named the Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS), whereby they will shut down power lines when red flag fire conditions exist. The goal is to prevent wildfires caused by down electrical lines.

CSUSB started to receive notifications on October 8 of a potential PSPS event starting October 10. On the evening of October 9, SCE notified the campus that no outage would occur on October 10 before 6:00pm. Based on this, CSUSB announced that the campus would open on October 10. In the early morning of October 10, SCE revised their notice to the campus that it would now suspend power in 1-4 hours. This was followed by two additional notifications that power at CSUSB would be suspended “eminently.” Based on this revised information, CSUSB announced that the campus would close on October 10.

Later in the morning of October 10, SCE notified CSUSB that when they went out into the field, they were able to split service on the electrical lines in the Devil’s Canyon area. While many areas around the campus had the power turned off, SCE indicated they would try to keep the campus electricity running, but could not guarantee it. Power was not suspended on October 10.

Regardless of the power situation, heavy winds at the CSUSB campus made it dangerous for non-emergency personnel to be on campus on October 10. With wind gusts topping at 72mph, several large trees toppled, large branches fell from trees, construction fence was tossed onto walkways, many doors had to be locked to keep them from being damaged, and the amount of airborne debris and dirt was significant.
13.4.4. Could you give us a bit more information on implications (of the proposed education bond) for our campus? For example, is there information on the projects the ed bond is meant to support? Are there any buildings or other development expected for CSUSB in the preliminary 5-year plan?

13.4.4.1. The Public Preschool, K-12 High School, and College Health and Safety Bond Act of 2020 (AB 48) was approved to be added to the March 2020 ballot by Governor Newsom on October 9. The bond measure totals $15 billion in capital facilities funding, and if approved by the voters, would allocate $9 billion to K-12 and $2 billion each to the CSU, University of California, and the California Community Colleges.

There has not been any final determination made by the Chancellor’s Office if bond proceeds would be used for new capital construction, deferred maintenance of existing facilities, or both. There also has not been any determination of which campuses may receive funding. Now that a new performing arts center has been financed by the State for CSUSB, we have prioritized a new science laboratory facility as the top campus priority for capital financing. The campus also maintains a 5-year prioritized plan for deferred maintenance needs, which are addressed as funding is made available.

13.5. Vice President for Student Affairs

14. OTHER BUSINESS

15. ADJOURNMENT 2:50PM