

## **FACULTY SENATE**

### **Minutes – April 18, 2024**

**Approved: April 25, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER** 3:45 pm

#### **ROLL CALL**

**Arts and Letters:** Brunsvold Mercedes, M (absent); Choe-Smith, C (Alternat: Merriam, G); Clark Oates, A; Dym, J; Gibbs, C; Lindsay, B; Martinez, R; Miller, R; Perkins, S (absent); Russell, B; Stark, H; Terry, A

**Business Administration:** Lee, J (absent); Lin, X; Moore, D; Panggabean, T; Sabbaghi, M (absent)

**Education:** Chaplin, M; Gonzalez, A; Lilly, F (absent); Madrigal-Garcia, Y, Pella, S (absent); Rivas, B (absent)

**Engineering and Computer Science:** Abadi, M; Kumar, P; Mohammadpour, A, Zabihian, F

**Health and Human Services:** Evans, E (absent); Green, E (absent); Larsen, L (Alternate: Jamieson, K); Matheus, C (Alternate: Mansyur, C); Patterson, A; Sardina, A; Shirsat, A, Shiner, K

**Natural Sciences and Mathematics:** Hamilton, T; Houston, J; Krauel, M; Lindgren, S; Margoniner, V; Oberle, P (Alternate: Schmidlein, M); Rechts, A; Skinner, S

**Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies:** Akutsu, P; Boston, M; Burghart, D; Furtak, S; Jensen, D; Jones, C; Lascher, T; Luna, A; Popejoy, G (absent); Stevens, N (absent); Thompson, K; Tutschka, M

**University Library:** Cardenas-Dow, M

**Intercollegiate Athletics:** Vacant

**Temporary Faculty:** Pickrel, C, Strand, S

**Student Services:** Herrera-Tan, A (absent); Wilder-Cardoza, A;

**Associated Students, Inc.:** Vegas Castellanos, B (absent), Ramneek, K (absent)

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** The agenda was approved as published.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

[FS 23/24-117/FL](#)      **April 11, 2024**

The Faculty Senate approves the meeting minutes of April 11, 2024. *Carried.*

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### ▪ **FROM THE CHAIR**

The Chair clarified that when he issued a statement at the previous Senate meeting to apologize for his missteps during the March 7<sup>th</sup> Senate meeting, the descriptions of various types of conflicts of interest he provided as examples were in no way directed toward Dr. Elvia Ramirez and that, to date, he is unaware of any conflict of interest surrounding Dr. Ramirez.

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE: Discussion of feedback to the Chancellors Office on the GE proposal.**

The Chair stated that the Chancellor's Office has put forward a proposal to implement the Board of Trustees' recent decision to require native students to use the California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) and invited campus feedback by April 22<sup>nd</sup>. The proposal would change the GE pattern for native students such that it conforms to the structure of Cal-GETC but does not adopt the learning outcomes, criteria, or standards of Cal-GETC. Dean German expressed that the proposal seems to allow conformation with the Board's decision while changing as little as possible to the current GE pattern for native students.

The body discussed various items of concern related to not only the Board's decision and the Chancellor's Office proposal. Such concerns included: how the changes would be implemented at the campus level; what resources would be available for faculty engaged in the work of revising the GE curriculum and whether the availability of resources will be transparent; intrusion into curricular matters by the legislature and the Board of Trustees; unresolved questions surrounding the requirement of laboratories (and the detriment to pedagogy if labs cannot be packaged with lectures); and the Chancellor's Office seemingly not accurately relaying faculty concerns to the Board.

At the time of adjournment, the body was discussing establishing a working group, separate from the GE/GRPC Policies Committee, to make recommendations to the campus regarding implementation of Cal-GETC for native students as well as how the campus might want to change graduation requirements in response to the Board's decision. The discussion will continue at the next meeting of the Faculty Senate.

*At the time of adjournment, the following items had not been heard and will be placed on a future agenda of the Faculty Senate.*

[FS 23/24-114](#) Resolution of Faculty Commitment of Support in a Time of Multiple Global Conflicts

FS 23/24-108/EX State of California Task Force to Study and Develop Reparation for African Americans, Endorsement of Final Report

#### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

- Budget
- Becoming a R2 institution advantages and repercussions
- Better model for all Open Forums on campus and the use of the interruption statement
- Discussion of the Board of Trustees' recent decision to apply the California General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC) to all students, and its impact on our campus
- Consideration of restructuring Second Semester of Hornet Launch

*The following policy items will be prioritized over discussion items on the April 25 meeting agenda.*

#### Second Reading Items:

[FS 23/24-62/FPC/EX](#) Policy on Re-Organization or Moving of Academic Units and Programs, Amendment of

[FS 23/24-105/GSPC/EX](#) Credit Hour Policy, Amendment of

#### First Reading Items:

[FS 23/24-106/GSPC/EX](#) Blended Baccalaureate and Masters Programs Policy, Amendment of

[FS 23/24-107/UARTP/EX](#) University Appointment, Retention, Tenure, and Promotion Policy, Section 5.05E Competent Teaching Performance, Amendment of

**ADJOURNED** 5:15 pm