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ABSENT

O. Bernal

EXCUSED ABSENCE

Chair Bezdecny convened the (Zoom) meeting at 1:47 p.m.

Chair Bezdecny read the Tongva land acknowledgement.

1. 1.1 Chair's announcements:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1.1.1 In memoriam: I want to start to start by acknowledging Edgar Aguirre, who was shot and killed just off campus, and his roommate, Austin Mace, who died of natural causes a few days later.

1.1.2 Please mark you calendars for an extra Senate meeting on May 2.

1.1.3 President Covino has agreed to stay in his position until July 30. On July 31, Leroy Morishita will begin serving as our interim president at Cal State LA as the search continues for our next permanent president of our campus.

1.1.4 Cozen O'Connor report update: Presidents on each campus are forming their implementation teams and our campus team has been formed at the behest of the President. We will not see our campus report until after the Board of Trustees gets their report at their May meeting.

1.1.5 The Academic Senate CSU continues to monitor AB 928/Cal GETC vs. CSU GE. AB 928/Cal GETC refers to transfer GE curriculum and had to be developed in consultation with both the Community College and the UC so that it was acceptable to all three systems. This has nothing to do with the CSU GE.

1.1.6 There's a new CSU policy coming from the Chancellor's Office stating that proof of vaccines are no longer required in the CSU.

1.1.7 We had the election for the new Intercollegiate Athletic Board, one position for a female representative, term ending Spring 2027. Congratulations for Roberta (Robbie) Beyer from Kinesiology who has been elected. Thank you for your service.

1.1.8 We also had the election for the University Academic Appeals Board, one position, term ending Spring 2025. Congratulations to Heidi Riggio from Psychology. Thank you for your service.

1.1.9 We elected our new ASCSU Senator, term ending Spring 2026. Congratulations to Senator Jessica DeShazo from Political Science for your election to the statewide Senate.

1.1.10 Just a quick reminder that when you are recognized or when I say you have the floor, we speak to the floor as we are a deliberative body (and not a working committee).

1.1.11 Regarding the chat function, we are a deliberative body, and the chat is considered a form of disturbing the assembly. The only business Senate conducts is whatever business has been recognized by the floor. I am happy to help anyone set up alternative spaces for chatting during the meetings. The chat function will remain disabled for the time being.

1.1.12 The CDC has come out with a statement that not only does Covid basically effect every organ system in the body, but it is unknown what some of the potential impacts are. I know that LA County has lifted the emergency order

ANNOUNCEMENTS  
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and while the county may be done with Covid, just a quick reminder that Covid is not done with us.

1.1.13 On March 20, 2023, President Covino approved the following policies:

Modification: Center for Career Planning and Placement, Faculty Handbook, Chapter III

Modification: Appointments, Faculty Handbook, Chapter VI

Modification: Probation and Disqualification for Graduate and Post-baccalaureate Students, Faculty Handbook, Chapter V

All of these are effective immediately and the Faculty Handbook has been updated to reflect these changes.

1.2 K. Elliott-Brown, AVP and Dean of Graduate Studies, announced: Just a reminder that we are having our annual Graduate Student and Faculty Mentor Recognition Reception on Tuesday, April 18, 3:30 – 5:00 p.m. in GE Ballrooms 1 and 2.

1.3 Senator Hanan announced: I know there was some concern a few weeks back concerning Chat GPT. I don't know if we've received any announcements about this, but Turnitin just dropped an updated version in their software for AI detection.

QUESTIONS FROM THE  
FLOOR

2. The following questions/concerns were raised:

1. What precautions are being taken regarding the safety of student on campus considering the recent tragic activity?
2. Are there any plans to increase security measures for students living in the dorms?
3. Can the Executive Committee look into the ways that our University community is notified of different kinds of emergencies and events and review the current procedure?
4. Are there any attempts being made to improve security in the buildings and around campus?
5. It feels extremely disrespectful that administration does not attend Senate and/or provide answers to pertinent question and concerns raised from the floor. What can be done, if anything, to motivate administration and Public Safety to show up and at least respond?
6. Based on all of the questions, could there be a townhall for different representatives from housing, Public Safety, and administration to come and listen to our concerns and give their feedback?
7. What is the campus doing to assist the families and community of the two students that we recently lost? Can the administration send money to these families?

There were no responses to the questions/concerns raised from the floor.

INTENT TO RAISE  
QUESTIONS

3. 3.1 Senator Baker announced her intent to raise the following questions:  
This question is addressed to Margaret Garcia, Executive Director of Enrollment Services: Why is Cal State LA the only campus in the CSU system that requires students to pay in full before registering for classes? When will we modernize our outdated systems to allow students to register before paying in full, bringing us in line with all other CSU campuses and most of higher education?

3.2 Senator Baker announced her intent to raise the following questions:  
This question is addressed to Queen E. King, senior associate vice president for administration and finance, and Chief of CSULA Police, Larry Bohannon: In April of 2021, our campus police entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Los Angeles County Sheriff, the Los Angeles Police Department, and other local law enforcement agencies to share all data from the campus license plate readers with Palantir, a private company that contracts with the Federal Government to collect and distribute surveillance data to federal and local law enforcement

agencies. This means that information about every car that enters campus is shared with local and federal law enforcement agencies without the consent or knowledge of members of the campus community. These agencies could include Immigration and Customs Enforcement, the FBI, or other agencies. Why is Cal State LA sharing our personal data with the sheriff, LAPD, and federal law enforcement agencies without our knowledge or consent? Why was there no consultation with the campus community before entering into this agreement? How long is this MOU valid? Is our campus required to maintain this relationship or may we withdraw from the MOU?

INTENT TO RAISE  
QUESTIONS (continued)

4. It was m/s/p (Larkins) to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 14, 2023 (ASM 22-12).

APPROVAL OF THE  
MINUTES

5. It was m/s/p (Abed) to approve the agenda.

APPROVAL OF THE  
AGENDA

6. Chair Bezdecny advised that body that she would postpone her report for this meeting.

SENATE CHAIR'S REPORT

7. Chair Bezdecny provided an overview of the March 2023 ASCSU plenary.

REPORT OF THE STATE-  
WIDE SENATE MEETING:  
MARCH 16-17, 2023

8. Carlos Rodriguez, Dean, University Library presented the State of the University Library.

STATE OF THE  
UNIVERSITY LIBRARY  
PRESENTED BY:  
CARLOS RODRIGUEZ,  
DEAN

9. 9.1 It was m/s/ (Avramchuk) in line 24 after "ENCOURAGED" to insert WHEN CAMPUS SEARCH COMMITTEES FIND LECTURER FACULTY WHO HAVE APPLIED FOR TENURE-TRACK POSITIONS ON THEIR CAMPUS TO BE QUALIFIED, THOSE FACULTY MEMBERS SHOULD BE INTERVIEWED.

PROPOSED POLICY MOD-  
IFICATION: RECRUIT-  
MENT OF TENURE-  
TRACK/TENURED  
FACULTY, FACULTY  
HANDBOOK, CHAPTER VI  
(22-12)

9.2 Debate ensued and the Avramchuk motion passed. (V: 33/2)

*Second-Reading Item*  
Forwarded to the President

9.3 It was m/s/ (Rodriguez) in line 29 to insert LECTURER FACULTY SHOULD BE GIVEN DIRECT NOTIFICATION BY THEIR DEPARTMENTS THAT A POSITION HAS BEEN POSTED WHEN A POSITION IS FIRST ANNOUNCED.

9.4 Debate ensued and it was m/s/ (Harris) to amend the Rodriguez amendment to move it to line 24 after the "ENCOURAGED". No objections were raised and passed by acclamation.

9.5 The Rodriguez motion as amended passed. (V: 34/2/2)

9.6 It was m/s/p (Ulanoff) in line 55 to insert COLLEGE DEANS, IN CONSULTATION WITH COLLEGE FACULTY, SHALL DEVELOP LONGER-TERM RECRUITMENT PLANS AND STRATEGIES TO INCREASE THE DIVERSITY OF THE COLLEGE FACULTY TO ASSIST DEPARTMENTS IN DEVELOPMENT OF POSITION RECRUITMENT PLANS. (V: 33/1/2)

9.7 The recommendation was APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. It was m/s/p (Ulanoff) to adjourn at 3:46 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT