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ABSENT

G. Fried-Amilivia, A. Munger, C. Rodriguez, W. Taylor

EXCUSED ABSENCE

Chair Bezdecny convened the (Zoom) meeting at 1:46 p.m.

Senator Ramos read the Tongva land acknowledgement.

1. 1.1 Chair's announcements:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1.1.1 Today's Senate meeting will end at 2:45 p.m. and will be followed by the President's Distinguished Lecture by Dr. Stephen McGuire at 3:00 p.m. The lecture, which is titled "Status, Happiness and Bad Behavior", will be presented in person in GE Ballroom 1 and available to view via livestream.

1.1.2 The open forums for faculty compensation studies conducted by Mercer are still taking place. The remaining forums are later today from 4:00-5:00 p.m.; tomorrow from 10:00-11:00a.m., and Thursday from 10:00-11:00 a.m. I strongly encourage everyone to participate in this data gathering phase and share with your colleagues.

1.1.3 Today is election day! Please vote. Polls close at 8:00 p.m.

1.1.4 The Cozen O'Connor visit on Title IX and Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation Issues is coming up on November 29, 30 and December 1. We are working on negotiating who should meet with them about these issues. If you have any information you want to provide directly to Cozen O'Connor, you can email them directly at calstatereview@cozen.com. The clients are the Board of Trustees, not us – but we've been told that your information will remain anonymous.

1.1.5 If you know you have a class conflict with Senate meeting dates and times in Spring 2023, please let your college and Rhonda know before the end of fall so that an alternate can be determined.

1.1.6 We still need nominations for the ad hoc advisory committees for AVP of Faculty Affairs and Director of Honor's College. This is an opportunity for faculty to have a say in who is selected for these positions. If you or someone you know is interested, please email your nomination to academicsenate@calstatela.edu.

1.1.7 Senate Exec discussed "Concerns from the Floor" as an item on the agenda and has decided to change it to "Questions from the Floor". The reason being is that what is being raised are questions and issues we're looking for a real-time response to versus intent to raise questions.

1.2 Senator Riggio announced: I wanted to follow up about the importance of voting. There is a polling place on campus in the Library Palmer Wing, room 4049. So, remind your peers and your students to please vote.

1.3 Senator Cleman announced: All tenured and tenure track faculty should have received an email yesterday regarding an Emeriti Association event on Saturday, November 19, from 3:00-5:00 p.m. It is a Zoom meeting honoring the students who have received our fellowships and scholarships and giving them the opportunity to say a few words about themselves and what they have done. The Emeriti Association is one of the largest contributors of fellowships and scholarships in the University. I urge you to join the Zoom meeting if you're interested. Information to access the meeting was in the email sent from Cathy Riley, Chair of the Emeriti Association.

QUESTIONS FROM THE
FLOOR

2. Senators asked the following questions from the floor:
- How do we get removed from the email distribution list coming from the Pat Brown Institute?
 - Can course descriptions be clarified?

There were no responses from the floor.

INTENT TO RAISE
QUESTIONS

3. 3.1 Senator Krug announced his intent to raise the following questions:
CETL has announced that they lack sufficient staff to continue supporting Canvas blueprint courses starting Spring 2023. Blueprints are heavily used in coordination in Mathematics as well as the GE Stats course in the Charter College of Education, and likely in other departments and schools. The blueprint allows the coordinator to, for example, send announcements to students in all sections and to make changes to all sections in response to student needs, such as updating home pages and turning on answer keys to give feedback to students on assessments.
Departments have worked very hard for five years to create coordinated courses that utilize blueprints; this tool is being removed with insufficient notice, which will negatively impact our students. Creating a master course that can be copied by section instructors does not allow the same flexibility, because once a master course has been copied, it is frozen in that state. In contrast, any updates to the blueprint can be sent to all sections with the push of a button.
Connecting sections to the blueprint does not take a lot of time but must be done manually. When CETL lost the staff member in charge of blueprints six months ago, they were not allowed to replace that position. Whether or not CETL should be tasked with this aspect of Canvas administration (or with Canvas administration more generally), the University administration must ensure there are enough staff to support faculty work. If blueprints are no longer supported, much money and time will have been wasted.

Questions:

- What **immediate solution** will allow the continued of blueprints for the Spring semester?
- What long-term plan will enable **ongoing support** for Canvas blueprints – for instance, by ITS, by college ITCs, etc?

- 3.2 Senator Joseph announced her intent to raise the following question:
I am submitting the following IRQ. It is written in the past tense as our next meeting will take place post the Presidential Search Forum, which I referred.
We are still in the midst of the Covid pandemic with an expected uptick in variants and cased combined with the worst flu outbreak in more than 20 years and an RSV epidemic.
Several upcoming campus meetings and events are not being recorded, live-streamed, or offered hybrid. I asked Academic Affairs to offer that option for the School of Engineering Dean talks. They said no. I asked that for an upcoming COE meeting with the Provost, and I was told no.
What can the Senate do to advocate for the continuation of mixed method offerings liking the Presidential Search Forum offered last Wednesday, which offered an access model for all community members? Many of our colleagues still cannot come to campus because of many health concerns, and the current move to 100 percent on campus only seems to negate the lessons from the past 30 months of our lives.
I attached the three offerings of the Presidential Search Forum.

PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH OPEN FORUM

The interim chancellor and the Trustees Committee for the Selection of the President will host a hybrid open forum on **Wednesday, November 2 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. in the Luckman Theatre**. The forum will provide members of the campus and surrounding community an opportunity to participate in person or virtually via live stream and share their thoughts about the qualities and experiences needed by the next president of Cal State LA. Participation is highly encouraged as this is the only presidential committee meeting that will be open to the public. *Requests for reasonable modification or accommodation from individuals with disabilities, consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act, may be made via [email](#).*

IN-PERSON PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of our campus community are welcome to attend and provide comments in person before the committee. No pre-registration is required.

VIRTUAL PUBLIC COMMENT

If you wish to provide comments virtually during the open forum you will need to register in advance (registration button provided below). We welcome and encourage all members of our campus community to participate.

VIEW OR LISTEN

No registration is required for those who want to view or listen to the forum in person or via the livestream. A recording of the event will be posted here. [View Live](#)

[Register To Speak](#)

4. It was m/s/p (Ali) to approve the minutes of the meeting of October 25, 2022 (ASM 22-6).
5. It was m/s/p (Larkins) to approve the agenda.
6. Chair Bezdecny did not present a report.
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 - 7.1 It was m/s/ (Riggio) to approve the recommendation.
 - 7.2 A five-minute question and discussion period took place.
8. It was m/s/ (Wells) to approve the recommendation.
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 - 9.1 It was m/s/ (Wells) that the proposed policy modification be recommitted to the Educational Policy Committee.
 - 9.2 Debate ensued and the Wells motion failed. (V: 15/16/3)

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

SENATE CHAIR'S REPORT

PROPOSED POLICY MODIFICATION:
DISCIPLINARY ACTION PROCEDURES FOR ACADEMIC PERSONNEL, FACULTY HANDBOOK, CHAPTER VI (21-12.1)
First-Reading Item

PROPOSED NEW POLICY:
PROCEDURES FOR LETTERS OF REPRIMAND FOR ACADEMIC PERSONNEL, FACULTY HANDBOOK, CHAPTER VI (21-16.1)
First-Reading Item

PROPOSED POLICY MODIFICATION: ACADEMIC INFORMATION RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE, FACULTY HANDBOOK, CHAPTER II (22-1.1)
Second-Reading Item

ADJOURNMENT

10. It was m/s/p (Baaske) to adjourn at 2:43 p.m.