Meeting Minutes
Academic Senate
Tuesday, May 13, 2025
2:30-4:30pm
https://csuci.zoom.us/j/81836938613

Present: Amy Denton, Annie White, Antonio Jiménez, Billy Munroe, Brian Rasnow, Cameron Harris, Chris Scholl, Chuck Weis, Cindy Sherman, Cindy Wyels, Colleen Forest, Cynthia County, E. Nicole Vines, Gareth Harris, Heather Castillo, Ivona Grzegorczyk, Jaime Matera, Janet Pinkley, Jared Barton, Jeannette Edwards, Jose Alamillo, Jose Luis Callazo, Kevin Hayakawa, Kimmy Kee-Rose, Kristen Dobson, Lance Nolde, Lily Tamai, Mari Estrada, Marianne McGrath, Matt Campbell, Megan Kenny Feister, Monica Rivas, Nancy Deans, Neomie Congello, Ron Berkowsky, Clare Steele, Susan Lefevre, Tabitha Swan-Wood, Taryn Hakala, Theresa Avila, Tiina Itkonen, Tom Clobes, Weldon Smith, Christina Smith, Georgina Guzman, Greg Wood, Richard Yao, Jessica Lavariega Monforti, Eboni Ford Turnbow, Gina Sanchez Gibau, Michelle Hasendonckx, Ernesto Guerrero, Lina Neto, Phil Hampton, Susan Andrzejewski

Proxies: Rebecca Slocum for Sean Kramer, Jared Barton for Mary Adler, Nancy Deans for Monica Pereira, Brendan Cline for Alison Perchuk, Cindy Sherman for Maria Ballesteros Sola

Absent: Andrew Fox, Brian Thoms, Manuel Correia, Peter Krause, Andrea Grove, Jennie Luna, Barbara Rex, MariaElena Plaza, Ritchie LeRoy, Spencer Clark, Jill Leafstedt, Luis Sanchez

Guests: Melissa Soenke, Veronica Guerrero, Marie Francois, Steven Clark, Melissa Silva, Philipa Moguel, Amy Caldwell, Rachel Danielson, Chiara Lamb, Argero Zerr, Donna Flores, Judi Le, Jennifer Raymond, Miguel Helleseter, Barbara Cullin, Matthew Curtis, Elenie Opffer, Vivian Henchy, Lorna Profant, Malia Roberson

1. Opening the Meeting
    a. Meeting called to order at 2:38pm, quorum was determined during The President's Report.
2. President's Report (**Please note this is a change to our usual Agenda**)
    a. Budget/workforce: We have 16 faculty interested in accelerated retirement, we are finalizing things now and working with the Provost. Hoping to inform those who are impacted before they are off contract. We are working through the process of not being able to offer Early Exit for CSUEU. We need to identify where we land, how close we got to $17M target. There will be projections based on Q3 figures. I will need to report to the CO and the board. More to come as things get finalized.

b. Enrollment update: As of this morning, intent to enroll is up 21% for first-time full-time students and up 7% for transfer students. Local data is also looking good. Retention rates are promising.
c. Honors Convocation: wonderful event, thank you to those who put it together and the faculty who pushed to make it happen.
d. Upcoming affinity celebrations, Commencement on Saturday.
e. Campus climate: clear it has been strained this year, more so than ever. Budget and enrollment challenges exacerbated this. Reflection is happening on that.

3. Approval of the Agenda
    a. M/S/P to amend agenda to move **Resolution on Academic Freedom** to Returning Business.
    b. M/S/P to approve amended agenda.
4. Approval of the Minutes from April 15 and 29, 2025
    a. M/S/P to approve April 15, 2025 minutes.
    b. M/S/P to approve April 29, 2025 minutes.
5. No Report from the Chair (circulated via email)
    a. Available on Canvas.
6. Returning Business -
    a. NTT Titles Policy – Nancy and Tabitha presenting
        i. Continuing M/S to adopt from April 29 meeting.
        ii. Roll call vote requested.
        iii. Vote: 31 Y / 1 N / 7 A, motion passes.
    b. Assessment Policy - Melissa Soenke presenting
        i. M/S to adopt
        ii. Melissa shares revisions to the policy: language was amended so that the reports are now sent to an internal repository and not publicly available. There was added language about accountability for continuous improvement.
        iii. Discussion Summary:
        Melissa answered a clarifying question about the committee make-up. It is consistent with the previous passed policy voted on at the last Senate meeting.
        iv. Motion to adopt passes by unanimous consent.
    c. GE Mission Categories Policy - Marie Francois presenting
        i. M/S to adopt
        ii. Marie shares feedback was solicited through Brown Bags, padlet and by email. There was one suggestion to clarify in the purpose section, and that was fixed. The Committee discussed a concern that was brought up at the last Senate but had no further changes.
        iii. Motion to pass unanimously is objected.
        iv. Vote: 27 Y / 1 N / 13 A, motion passes.
    d. **Resolution on Academic Freedom**
        i. M/S to adopt

    ii. Christina shares that this resolution came from fellow Academic Senate Chairs at sister campuses that are passing similar resolutions.
    iii. Discussion Summary:
    Christina clarified the full and shortened name of the resolution.
    John shared a concern about connecting shared governance and academic freedom.
    Rebecca shared that this resolution references SR 19-01 which uses the term "shared governance" to explicitly mean "faculty shared governance."
    iv. Motion to pass unanimously is objected.
    v. Vote: 36 Y / 1 N / 8 A, motion passes.

7. ~~New Business~~
    a. ~~Resolution on Academic Freedom (see attached; **Please note we will be asking to move to a second reading**)~~
8. Intent to Raise Questions
9. Discussion Item: SBC Report on Reassigned Time - Matt presenting
    a. Matt shared the report, available on Canvas.
10. Reports (full reports available via Canvas)
    a. Report from Provost Lavariega Monforti – Provost reporting
        i. Report available on Canvas.
        ii. Honors Convocation: amazing turnout of students, families, faculty, and staff. Nearly 1700 in attendance. Thank you to the committee and to Edna.
        iii. Applications to Strengthen Existing Academic Programs: Friday May 9th was the deadline. We received over 20 applications. The committee will be reviewing them with a rubric over the next two weeks.
        iv. DAA welcome events: hold August 20-21 for division wide events.
        v. Commencement this Saturday.
    b. Report from Statewide Senators
    c. Report from CFA President
    d. Report from Staff Council
    e. Report from NTTF Council
    f. Report from ASI
    g. Reports from Senate Committees
        i. Appointments, Elections, and Bylaws (AEBC)
        ii. Academic Policy and Planning (APPC)
        iii. Equity and Anti-Racism (CEAR)
        iv. Faculty Affairs (FAC)
        v. Student Academic Policies and Procedures (SAPP)
        vi. Others
11. Adjourn
    a. M/S/P to adjourn at 4:24pm.