



## Academic Senate Meeting – Fall 2023

### Minutes

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023

10:00 A.M. – 11:30 A.M.

*LOCATION: DEZEMBER LEADERSHIP AND DEVELOPMENT CENTER, ROOM 409-411 AND VIRTUAL*

Zoom Link: <https://csub.zoom.us/j/82118036177?pwd=SjZvdWd6ei9TaVRMaGIPU1N5bUtWdz09>

**Members:** A. Hegde (Chair), M. Danforth (Vice Chair), M. Ayuso (alt. for M. Rees; virtual), D. Alamillo, J. Cornelison (virtual), E. Correa, J. Deal, V. Harper (virtual), H. He, A. Lauer (virtual), C. Lam, N. Michieka, J. Rodriguez, A. Rodriguez, M. Rush, T. Salisbury (virtual), S. Sarma (virtual), A. Sawyer, D. Solano, M. Taylor (virtual), T. Tsantsoulas, D. Wu, Z. Zenko, and K. Van Grinsven (Senate Analyst).

**Visitors:** L. Zelezny (virtual), D. Fowler, D. Jackson, E. Adams (virtual), D. Boschini (virtual) S. Bozarth (virtual), R. Dugan (virtual), Gomez-Navarro, Anayeli (virtual), A. Grombly (virtual), T. Hickey (virtual), J. Kim (virtual), M. Malhotra (virtual), T. McClendon (ITS support), Y. Morones (virtual), G. Ochoa Vega (virtual), J. Paschal (virtual), E. Poole Callahan (virtual), S. Roberts (virtual), J. Self (virtual), A. Slabey (virtual), and K. Watson (virtual).

A. Call to Order

- a. Chair Hegde called meeting to order and read Tejon tribal land acknowledgment.

B. Approval of Minutes

- a. October 12, 2023 (**handout**)

- i. Senator Rush motioned to approve the minutes; Senator Correa seconded. One abstention. Approved.

- b. October 26, 2023 (tabled)

C. Announcements and Information

- a. President's Report – L. Zelezny (**Time Certain: 10:10 AM**).

- i. Recently returned from the CSU Board of Trustees meeting where she received Emeriti Status as President.
- ii. Faust Gorham's celebration of life will be at St. Francis Church on Friday, November 17. The CSUB flag will be lowered in his honor.
- iii. CSUB participated in the CSU Graduation Initiative Symposium. Thanked Chair Hegde and ASI President D. Alamillo for their work. The GI 2025 has resulted in many

improvements. There is still more work to be done regarding reducing equity gaps and reviewing the disaggregated data.

- iv. Attended the National HACU Conference in Chicago along with 25 CSUB students.
- v. Congratulated J. Rodriguez on his appointment as Interim Provost.
- vi. Strategic Plan Open Forum is Wednesday, November 15 at 9:00 AM.
- vii. Open Forum/ Discussion:
  - 1. A. Hegde on behalf of the Senate, congratulated L. Zelezny on her President Emeriti status.
  - 2. Consideration of a posthumous degree for F. Gorham. (L. Zelezny) In discussion.
- b. K. Susa- Faculty Athletics Representative (**Time Certain: 10:20 AM**)
  - i. Report provided by K. Susa and included updated agenda packet.
  - ii. Discussion:
    - 1. Senator Zenko requested clarification on who to contact for an issue a student is having with their coach. K. Susa confirmed that he is the correct person to contact and requested any future issues come to him.
    - 2. Senator Salisbury commented on the rigid schedules of student athletes and being forced into majors that fit their schedule, not their interests.
    - 3. Senator Sawyer concurred with Senator Salisbury on some of the issues limiting student athlete's choice of major. Commended Dr. Susa on his efforts and assistance in working with him as there are many student athletes in Liberal Studies.
    - 4. Senator Cornelison confirmed challenges with student athletes and miscommunication and misinformation issues regarding eligibility for certain majors.
    - 5. Senator Rush discussed challenges with the process for student athletes and how their schedules are built and provided a suggestion regarding the practice schedules.
- c. Elections and Appointments- M. Danforth
  - i. ASCSU Senator calls are complete. Vice Chair Danforth welcomed the new ASCSU senators, C. Lam, and N. Michieka.
  - ii. The first round of calls for the multiple Academic Administrator Review Committees (AARC) closed yesterday. The Academic Senate Office and the School Elevation Committee (SEC) chairs are working on reviewing the results and drafting the second calls as appropriate. Dean of EEGO, Dr. Mark Novak, has announced his retirement. No review committee will need to be constituted for him, so that call has been withdrawn.

- iii. After the AARC committees calls and elections are complete, the call for the Foundation Board position vacated by Dr. Brian Street will be sent out. Calls for the remaining vacant appointments will follow close to the end of the semester.
  - iv. The Spring 2024 call and election cycle will begin with the calls and elections for the Academic Senate Chair and Vice Chair positions, followed by calls and elections as appropriate for committees that have release time, such as University Program Review Committee (UPRC) and the University Review Committee (URC).
  - d. Division of Equity, Inclusion, & Compliance Updates; informational (**handout**)
    - i. The attached handout has been provided by C. Catota.
    - ii. Discussion:
      - 1. Provost Harper thanked C. Catota for leading these initiatives and Jesse Sugarman and Alicia Rodriguez for their work on the HSI murals across campus. More information to come regarding the Social Justice Conference.
  - e. HD-CAFS Program Name Memorandum – E. Correa (**handout**)
    - i. Chair Hegde and Senator Correa presented the attached memorandum for the department of Human Development and Child, Adolescent, and Family Studies. D. Jackson clarified that these proposals would normally be processed through the school Curriculum Committee, then to Academic Programs, then referred to Academic Senate to be referred to the appropriate subcommittees.
- D. Approval of Agenda (**Time Certain: 10:05 AM**).
- a. Senator Deal motioned to approve the agenda; seconded by Senator Solano. Agenda approved.
- E. Reports
- a. Provost's Report – V. Harper
    - i. Thanked K. Susa for his work in leading efforts to harmonize the relationships and curricular pathways for athletes in the university. Congratulated the Dean of Social Sciences and Education (SSE), Dr. James Rodriguez, on his upcoming role as Interim Provost to begin in January 2024. Will be discussing and reviewing procedures for the Retention, Tenure, and Promotion (RTP) review process and the different levels of review conducted by administration, particularly for faculty in the School of SSE. Will also be reviewing procedures for the appointment of the interim dean for the School of Social Sciences, and Education.
  - b. ASCSU Report (tabled)
  - c. Committee Reports: (*Minutes from AAC, AS&SS, BPC and FAC posted on the Academic Senate webpage; Senate Log attached*)
    - i. ASI Report- D. Alamillo
      - 1. ASI Board passed a resolution SB103, which urges the CSU Board of Trustees to reevaluate the State University grant criteria, including the cost of attendance.

2. Student Leadership Council Meetings – over 50 clubs have joined. Student engagement and campus life is improving.
3. Mike Kwon has been appointed as the ASI Executive Director.
4. First Generation celebration was yesterday.
5. Hunger and Homelessness Awareness week starts next week. Their first event is a resource fair on the Student Union patio on November 15 at noon.
6. International Education Week- Food and Culture Show on November 16.
7. SSE Social is on November 16 at 5PM in the Student Union – Rowdy's Room.
- ii. Executive Committee- M. Danforth (deferred)
- iii. Academic Affairs Committee (AAC) - D. Solano (**handout**) (deferred)
- iv. Academic Support & Student Services Committee (AS&SS) - E. Correa (**handout**) (deferred)
- v. Budget and Planning Committee (BPC) - D. Wu (**handout**) (deferred)
- vi. Faculty Affairs Committee (FAC) - M. Rush (**handout**) (deferred)
- vii. Staff Report- J. Cornelison
- viii. No updates at this time.

F. Resolutions (**Time Certain: 10:45 AM**)

- a. Consent Agenda
  - i. No items.
- b. New Business
  - i. RES 232411 Academic Master Plan – AAC and BPC (**handout**)
    1. Senator Solano presented resolution on behalf of AAC and BPC. Academic Master Plan will need to be submitted to the CSU Chancellor's Office before January 2024.
  - ii. RES 232412 Evaluation of Academic Administrators – FAC (**handout**)
    1. Senator Rush presented the resolution on behalf of FAC.
    2. Discussion: D. Jackson mentioned that her title AVP for Academic Affairs and Dean of Academic Programs may need an update as it has changed and is noted in multiple areas of the handbook. Suggested the change name of the "Academic Affairs Council" to "Provost Council." T. Tsantsoulas requested inclusive language to replace reference to his/her, etc.
  - iii. RES 232413 Academic Calendar – BPC (**handout**)
    1. Senator Wu presented the resolution on behalf of BPC. Thanked R. Dugan for her work on this.
    2. Discussion regarding various issues:
      - a. Textbook ordering deadlines need to be added.
      - b. Summer SOCl administration.
      - c. Commencement and Final Exam date overlap.

- d. Spring Break close to the end of the semester; discussed challenges posed.
    - e. Alignment with the school district schedule, including challenges with Spring Break being close to the end of the semester, and Fall break/ Thanksgiving challenges.
  - c. Old Business
    - i. RES 232406 RTP and PTR Committees- Handbook Change – FAC (**handout-** docx pdf)
      - 1. Senator Rush presented the resolution for second reading. No discussion. Resolution passed.
    - ii. RES 232402 Statement on Reducing Educational Material Cost at CSUB – AS&SS (**handout-** docx pdf)
      - 1. Senator Correa presented the resolution for second reading. No discussion. Resolution passed.
    - iii. RES 232408 ATI Instructional Materials- Handbook Change-AS&SS (**handout-** docx pdf)
      - 1. Senator Correa presented the resolution of second reading. No discussion. Resolution passed.
    - iv. RES 232409 Option to Retreat Policy – Handbook Change- FAC (**handout-** docx pdf)
      - 1. Senator Rush presented the resolution for second reading. Resolution passed.
- G. Open Forum (**Time Certain: 11:15 AM**)
  - a. Senator Rush: Mathematics conference opens tomorrow, November 10.
  - b. Chair Hegde: November 17 – Grimm Family Center student scholars will be presenting their research in the Dezember Reading Room. November 29 at 7:30 PM is the last speaker series.
  - c. Senator Rodriquez: Thursday, November 9 the CSUB Singers will be singing at 7:30 PM. Saturday the CSUB symphonic band will be playing as well.
  - d. Senator Lauer: Ecosystem committee will be meeting again to feedback for the campus master plan.
  - e. Senator Tsantsoulas: Capital Fellows Program. Applications close December 4.
  - f. Senator Salisbury: Campus Budget Open Forum was not effective in providing a direction for the campus and new information. A. Hegde shared that Budget Central has a link for feedback for the Campus Budget Open Forum.
- H. Faculty Recognition (**Time Certain: 11:25 AM**) - Tabled
- I. Adjournment
  - a. Chair Hegde adjourned the meeting at 11:28 AM.