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TO: ACADEMIC SENATORS  
FROM: Ana Medic, Academic Senate Secretary  
SUBJ: **ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES**  
DATE: Thursday October 5, 2023, 2:30 p.m.

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Present: Alaniz-Wiggins, Arisman, Boyd (Kaiser), Brundage, Bruns, Cline, Draper, Gibson, He, Kralj (Underwood), Lau, Lee, Lemmi, Ma, Magnus, McBride-Praetorius, Medic, Moss, Nichols, O'Conner, Paiva, Perez, Peterson, Sendze, Sherman, Sistrunk, Smith, Trailer, Traver (Jollimore), Walter (Newell), Weingartner, Windom, Yeager-Struthers, and Zeichick.

Absent: Boura, Clyde, Coons, and Youngblood.

Chair Trailer called a meeting to order at 2:36 pm.

1. Approve [Minutes of 21Sep2023](#)  
Minutes from September 21 approved.
2. Approve Agenda  
Agenda approved.

**Old Business**

3. [Rejection](#) of proposed revisions to [EM 21-029 Policy for the Use of Digital Technologies](#) in Teaching and Learning – Information Item.  
Senator Paiva, past chair, introduced item 3:
  - a. This was a policy that EPPC and the academic senate recommended to the president last spring.
  - b. EPPC revised only sections 3.2.2 and 4.2. In the senate, the entire document was revised.
  - c. Due to many questions and not being aligned with policy on policies, Kralj and Paiva recommended to the president to reject the policy and send it back to the EPPC for full revision.

Discussion:

- a. Stated that senate work on the entire policy should not have violated the policy on policies.
- b. Some agenda items are seen by different bodies prior to coming to the senate. However, items may appear to the senate directly by being added to and by approving the agenda.

Question: Asking for clarification on consultation and how internal shared governance mechanisms were followed? Answer: EPPC focused only on one section of the policy. During the senate, the item produced numerous suggestions and changes to the entire document. Because the item at its entirety was not discussed at the EPPC, the EPPC chair and senate chair recommended rejection of the policy to the president. No consultation with EC.

c. Suggested to improve processes.

4. [EM 23-020 Decommission of EM 90-071: Policy for the Disposition of Ceremonial Artifacts, Human Remains and Burial Goods](#) – Information Item.

Senator Paiva, past chair, introduced item 4:

- a. Late last spring, President Hutchinson brought up concerns with NAGPRA, the Native American Grave Repatriation Act, federal policy.
- b. In June, Paiva and Trailer met with McBride Pretorius, the director of Tribal Relations at Chico State. They discussed policy EM 90-071, writing a new EM, and recommended to decommission this policy as it does not align with current law, specifically AB 275 and AB 389.

5. [EM 23-021 Interim Policy on the Control of Native American Human Remains and Cultural Items at Chico State](#) – Information Item.

Senator Paiva, past chair, introduced item 5:

- a. There was a time sensitive issue with compliance.
- b. The older EM was decommissioned while a new EM was written.
- c. Policy on policies allows a new interim policy to be created.
- d. This item is seen by the FASP. Waiting for the legislation to finalize work in January prior to additional work.

Senator McBride Pretorius, the director of Tribal Relations, additionally introduced item 5:

- a. This EM is aligned with AB 275 and AB 389.
- b. Next year, a policy package for NAGPRA will pass through campus processes as a result of an audit recommendation.

Discussion:

Question: the last page, last paragraph mentioned the Office of Tribal Relations will develop processes that will be followed in accordance with the NAGPRA laws. Will these processes be developed through FASP work or will they be developed separately? Answer: Currently in the process of working with anthropology and faculty to develop comprehensive, proactive processes and align them with different state and federal laws.

Question: Is the expectation for this work to go through the FASP and senate next year? Answer: yes.

Question: Was the policy on policies followed in the approval of EM 23-021? Was there a consultation with EC and subject matter experts prior to the approval of the interim policy? Answer: Approval day was within the last days of president Hutchinson's term. EC was not consulted. Passed as an interim policy that will go to the FASP and be valid for six months.

- a. Because of the new legislation that was being discussed in the audit findings and the reports that were coming out in July, the campus needed a policy that is in compliance.
- b. Commented that EC should have received a communication about this policy.
- c. Request made to allow resources available to new senators to be able to understand changes, rules, responsibilities, and senate work.
- d. Stated that the most important guiding documents are listed under the senate website and were introduced to all senators at the beginning of a semester.

6. Proposed Revisions to [FPPP 16.4: Counselor Faculty Personnel Files](#) and [FPPP 16.15: Counselor Faculty Leaves](#) – FASP Introduction.

FASP Chair Walter introduced item 6:

- a. Primarily editorial changes and change of the title.

Discussion:

- a. Suggested to align section 7 and section 16.4.b “deans” and “the VP of Student Affairs”.
- b. Stated that different organizations on campus have different structures. This current statement applies to the campus. No need to be changed.

Senate voted: 28 yes, no opposition. Item 6 passed as an introduction item.

7. Proposed Revisions to [FPPP Definitions and FPPP 7.0.3: PAF Custodian and Maintenance](#) – FASP Introduction.

FASP Chair Walter introduced item 7:

- a. This item is a clarification of PAF management and a reflection of the current practice and procedures.

Senate voted: 25 yes, no opposition. Item 7 passed as an introduction item.

8. Proposed Revisions to [FPPP 13.4.2 Leaving from and Returning to the University - Emeritus Status – Benefits](#) – FASP Introduction.

FASP Chair Walter introduced item 8:

- a. Changes included the shared office space, and the office equipment by emeritus faculty.

Senate voted: 24 yes, no opposition. Item 8 passed as an introduction item.

9. Proposed Revisions to [FPPP 10.4.4.c: Extension of Probationary Period](#) – FASP Introduction

FASP Chair Walter introduced item 9:

- a. Changed to be aligned with language in CBA document.

Senate voted: 24 yes, no opposition. Item 9 passed as an introduction item.

10. Proposed Revisions to [FPPP 9.1.3: Evaluation of Lecturer Faculty](#) – FASP Introduction

FASP Chair Walter introduced item 10:

- a. Change of wording regarding the Personnel Committee and the department chair. Language provided clarification to the process.

Senate voted: 23 yes, no opposition. Item 10 passed as an introduction item.

11. Proposed - [Credit for Prior Learning Draft Policy](#) – EPPC Introduction

EPPC Chair Teague-Miller introduced item 11:

- a. EPPC discussed concerns about increased workload.

Discussion:

Question: Considering campus plans to increase international student presence, was there any discussion about the Cambridge (IGCSE, AS and A levels) examination being included in the group of accepted programs that allow credit to count toward admission, aside from IB? Answer: Consultation with the international education office occurred. In general, the examinations that grant credit at the time of admission are approved at the Chancellor's office level. CO does review periodically and update the list of international exams that CSUs grant credit for.

- a. Stated that the A level is the equivalent to the AP level. Offered to work with Dean McCarthy to determine if campus needs to amend this document and add the language to this section.

Question: Section 3, credit for prior experience: if students can receive credits by demonstrating prior learning through portfolios, professional licenses, interviews, how will those credits count – automatic

pass for units, pass/fail, and will students be directly enrolled and awarded units? Answer: This applies to students with previous professional experience who can demonstrate that experience at work is equivalent to the course work based on which student would receive units for that course.

Question: Would that student receive credit/no credit? Answer: yes.

- b. Stated that currently CO is not reviewing the Cambridge examination. Cambridge has reached out to the articulation officers in the CO and are interested in being recognized. The GED advisory committee would be the one to review this in the future if they choose to.

Senate voted: 28 yes, no opposition. Item 11 passed as an introduction item.

12. Proposed - [Discontinue Option Foundational Mathematics](#) – EPPC Introduction

EPPC Chair Teague-Miller introduced item 12:

- a. Discontinuation due to changes made in the curriculum.

Senate voted: 25 yes, no opposition, one abstain. Item 12 passed as an introduction item.

### Communications

13. Announcements and Communications

- a. The ASCSU Parliamentarian will offer a campus specific parliamentary procedure session.
- b. Chico State will open the fall musical in one week, Head Over Heels.
- c. Flu vaccine clinics will be on October 1 and 25, November 8 and 28.
- d. CFA voting period is October 21 – 27 on the strike action.
- e. Nominations for the Outstanding Faculty Awards and Professional Achievement Honors will close tomorrow.
- f. At-Large Senator nomination period will close tonight.

14. University Reports – Perez/Boura/Brundage/Clyde/Sendze/Lau

President Perez:

- a. The ELP started at Chico State and campus is commemorating the anniversary.
- b. WildCat weekend will be held next weekend.
- c. CSU Academic Master Plans are being shared with CO. They include a list of programs that are being changed or added on the campus.
- d. BoT passed a requirement for campuses to address low enrolled programs. Campus will have to provide a rationale about how these programs will be addressed.
- e. Attending the Social Mobility Symposium at the Cal State University San Marcos.

Discussion:

- a. Support shared for including social mobility topic and expressed hope at campus level this conversation can be continued.
- b. Stated that last December campus passed a resolution asking for the university to retain an independent firm to investigate the campus administrative handling of David Stachura case, different than the Cozen O'Conner report.

Question: Asking for the update and expectation when the same will be shared with the campus community? Answer: Currently no updates. It will be shared as soon as the review is completed.

VP Brundage:

- a. Next Saturday, October 14, campus will host a WildCat weekend.
- b. Inviting everyone to bring students.
- c. The unofficial headcount is 13,999, and 12,900 FTES.

Stacy Corona, Associate VP, providing updates for VP Clyde:

- a. Starting construction of the university services building which is being built at the FMS yard.
- b. The grand opening of the patio around the WREC will be on October 9.
- c. Campus started the procure to pay system.
- d. Contracted Grand River Solutions with Title IX oversight.
- e. All CFOs are meeting and discussing shared services with Deloitte, which is an external CPA consulting firm.
- f. Continuing to work on shifting summer courses from self-support to state-support and allowing an increase in FTES.

VP Sendze:

- a. The Shared Services engagement with Deloitte, that the Chancellor's Office has engaged in, also involves technology systems.
- b. 23 CIOs are meeting with Deloitte and hoping to identify shared information systems.
- c. Student feedback from the spring's end users survey disclosed issues with printing. Working on identifying lottery funds to provide printing services across the entire campus.
- d. Every semester IT will provide \$5 worth of free printing for students.

Interim Provost Lau:

- a. Visitors from Taiwan are on campus.
- b. Jodi Shepherd is taking over the role of Interim Dean of the Library.
- c. Campus has been working with Everspring, a marketing research and online education company, to launch more online programs, and generate more revenue for the university.
- d. The Division recently held a rebranded faculty recognition event.
- e. Capital Public Radio reported issues. This will not affect Chico nor NPR.
- f. The performance review of low enrolled programs can provide campus new opportunities to attract new students, develop new programs and courses, develop new majors, certificate programs, partnerships between colleges.
- g. The Joy of Learning on October 13 at 9 am.
- h. Inspired on October 25 at 5 pm.

Question: Campus received information about the benefits change. Anthem Blue Cross currently has a contract until January 1 of 2024. This can affect PERS Platinum and PERST Gold members. Is there any information about potential negotiation or what if in the case that negotiation does not go through, how would members continue using benefits? Answer: This would impact coverage and services received at UCSF and UC Davis. Local hospitals are not impacted, only UC medical services. Suggested contacting HR who can provide more specific information and options for impacted members. Reminder, open enrollment is ongoing.

15. Reports (*please see reports attached*)

1. Executive Committee Reports – Medic
  - a. [EC Summary 9/21/23](#) final
  - b. [EC Summary 10/5/23](#) final
2. Standing Committee Reports
  - a. [Educational Policies and Programs](#) – Miller
  - b. [Faculty and Student Policies Committee](#) – Walter

Reports attached. No questions.

3. Associated Students Report – Alaniz

AS President Alaniz-Wiggins introduced the AS report:

- a. Met with Chair Trailer and shared board meeting practices and format. Support shared for some practices being used at the academic senate meetings.
- b. Talked about standardizing certifications of membership or completion for any students that take part in university level work as an incentive to encourage students to continuously go to these meetings.
- c. Chartwell on campus, discussion ongoing.
- d. The campus safety collaborations across divisions, including Student Affairs, have been ongoing. Expecting more events on campus.

4. Staff Council Report – Peterson

Senator Peterson introduced the Staff Council report:

- a. The Joy of Giving is a program where the campus works with Butte County fundraising to adopt families. On October 16 campus is working with Chipotle to receive a percentage of the dining funds for family support.
- b. Departments willing to adopt a family will have to complete forms by October 24.
- c. December 5 – celebration and reception at the farm 5:30 – 7:30 pm.
- d. The Halloween costume party and coffee & kudos from the president's office will be on Halloween, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm.
- e. Blood drive on October 16 & 17.

5. [Academic Senate of the California State University](#) Report – Boyd/Kralj (Underwood)

- a. ASCSU [Agendas](#), [Minutes](#), [Resolutions](#), & [Summaries](#)

Statewide Senator Boyd introduced item 5:

- a. Requested to include reports from a previous meeting at the next senate meeting.
- b. The ASCSU had a meeting with the executive committee and the Academic Affairs Committee along with the Chancellor's Office, including the Office of General Counsel. They checked current legislation on general education (AB 928, Cal GETC).
- c. Able to definitively characterize that General Education breath is a separate issue than the transfer curriculum from the community colleges to the UC and CSU.
- d. Cal GETC annual updates will include standards for general education, not major changes.
- e. The standards and the grades are going to be determined and authorized/authenticated through the admissions transfer process from the community colleges.
- f. Title V changes are expected to be discussed as an informational item in November and then as an action item in March.
- g. Standing committee meetings and EC meetings will be held on Friday. The plenary will be first week of November.
- h. The Graduation Initiative meeting will occur on October 23 & 24.

**New Business**

16. UPPSAC reports – Information

- Community Policing [recommendations](#)
  - Community Policing [Plan](#) (goes with reqs above)

- Campus Safety Training and Communications [recommendations](#)
- Community Engagement [Plan](#)

Mary Wallmark introduced item 16:

- a. Last semester, UPPSAC (University Policing Public Safety Advisory Committee) was formed. The three subcommittees worked on the recommendations.
- b. The main recommendation was regarding the usage of wheeled vehicles and safety on campus.
- c. Planning to strategically place signage for riders & pedestrians and launch educational campaigns on safe practices.

Discussion:

Question: Is there a way to distinguish motorized vehicles from electric motor vehicles? Answer: Initial policy did not include e-bikes. Current practices and current policies are not aligned. These recommendations are meant to align these two. The current speed is 5 miles per hour on campus. The work will be on education and updating policies.

- a. Stated that lawsuits help change policy fastest. Hope shared this is not the route campus will have to follow.

17. UPPSAC Bike Safety [recommendations](#) - Discussion Item

Mary Wallmark introduced item 17:

- a. Looking into two phases to address this. First, to use existing bike paths and make them usable for both riders and pedestrians. Second, to educate the campus community about safety aspects.

Discussion:

- a. Suggested to include a safety forum and outreach to the campus community.

Question: Is the safety forum planned to gather feedback from faculty, staff, and students? Answer: yes, including other safety concerns and issues.

- b. Stated that most issues occur around the 1st street campus corridor.

Question: what are the plans for the rest of the campus? Are there new policies as the previous one did not allow bike riding? Answer: There are no new policies. Campus culture is changing due to which education and safety are current priorities. Few campus areas are more concerning, they will have priority when resolving them. If not in compliance with the policy, enforcement will be implemented.

18. Ask the Administrator

19. Other

20. Adjourn at 4:53 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Ana Medic, Academic Senate Secretary

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