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Academic Senate
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MEMORANDUM

ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES
Thursday, February 1, 2018, 2:30 p.m., KNDL-207/209

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PRESENT: Aird, Allen, Boyd, Camacho, Connolly, Cross, Day, Ferrari, Fleet, Ford, Hidalgo, Hostetter-Lewis, Hutchinson, Kim, Lang, Livingston, McConkey, McLemore, Pittman, Roll, Rowberg, , Schierenbeck (Cross), Scholz, Schulte, Selvester, Sharma, Shepherd, Sistrunk, Sudick, Teague-Miller (Scholz), Thompson, Trailer, Watkins, Wilking, Wyrick (Chair), Zartman

ABSENT: Boura, Larson, Stivers

Wyrick called the meeting to order and noted that Livingston would act as Secretary for the first part of the meeting. (5:32)

1. Approve [Minutes of November 16, 2017](#). (5:54-6:08)

The minutes were approved.

2. Approve [Agenda](#). (6:09-6:22)

The agenda was approved.

3. Announcements. (6:23-25:41)

- Scholz announced that the vocal recital [Hearts Delight: Songs of Love and Romance](#) with accompanying piano, guitar and violin would be performed on February 14 at 2:00 in the Zingg Recital Hall.
- Camacho noted that on February 12 the Associated Students Academic Senators from the college of Business will hold the “Business Bash” to promote networking especially for Seniors in their last semester at Chico.
- Wyrick welcomed new members to the Senate. Milton Lang, the new Vice President for Student Affairs was applauded and invited to join everyone at the table.
- The new Associated Students President, Alisha Sharma was also recognized with clapping. She will have class this semester at 3:30, but will be represented by proxy. She noted that Dylan Gray had to resign to pursue his academic responsibilities to graduate and Wyrick wished to acknowledge his contributions to Senate last semester.
- Wyrick congratulated Bill Loker, interim Vice Provost for Academic Affairs as he will be leaving his current post this month though he will continue to contribute to the University into the near future. Senators became rowdy in acknowledging his work over many years and stood to honor him.

- Finally, Wyrick congratulated Joe Crotts, who retired from the Library on January 31 and as Secretary of the Senate after 43 years of distinguished service. This provoked a very long standing ovation with shouts of support and best wishes and calls for Joe to speak. Wyrick gave an overview of Joe’s career at Chico beginning in 1974 and touching on many of the essential and disparate responsibilities he held in the Library. Wyrick noted that Joe had been on Senate since 1991. Selvester wanted to recognize that no Senate chair or committee Chair could have functioned without Joe’s extensive knowledge and his integrity and ability to resolve difficulties. Hutchinson congratulated his flair for color and the many contributions he has made about how to conduct ourselves in working out shared governance with integrity. Boyd remarked on Joe’s mentorship and leadership down through all the difficult times we just passed through. Wyrick presented Joe with some brilliantly colored plants and a plaque from the Senate.

Joe Crotts remembered the 13 Senate Chairs and 4 campus Presidents he had served. He underlined that the many documents and policies he had helped to create were not the most important aspects of what he will cherish and remember, but he said he would always particularly value all the people he had met as they came together to work together.

Wyrick welcomed Jody Shepherd as Joe Crotts’ replacement to represent the Library in Senate.

4. Election of Academic Senate Secretary – term to be the remainder of the Spring 2018 Semester (26:46-42:01)

Wyrick explained how the election for the new Secretary would be conducted. The nominators would read their nomination letters and then the two candidates would comment briefly. A vote by secret ballot would then be taken and tabulated by a committee of three.

Sudick read her nomination of Zartman followed by Livingston who read his of Sistrunk. Sistrunk then spoke briefly about why he was running and Zartman spoke about his aspirations.

Wyrick asked Senators to mark their ballots and proxy votes and these were counted. Wyrick announced that Sistrunk would be the next Secretary. Sistrunk was encouraged to start taking notes immediately.

5. Chair’s Prerogative. (42:02-1:08:47)

Wyrick introduced Bill Loker and Ben Juliano, (Interim Chief, Institutional Research Office) to discuss the WASC review.

- **Call to Action: Preparing for WASC Review - Discussion Item (Juliano/Loker)**

Bill Loker observed that WASC will be a recurrent item at Senate since this Spring is the last full semester before our self-study is due in September 2018. He said that information about the process will be continuously updated on the WASC Website (<http://www.csuchico.edu/wasc/wasc-accreditation-process.shtml>).

He described the timeline that will be followed:

Date	Milestone
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September 25, 2018	Institutional Report due
December 4, 2018	Offsite Review, 3-3:45pm teleconference
January 8, 2019	Lines of Inquiry documents due
March 5-7, 2019	Accreditation Visit

The process will begin with our institutional self-study that will then be reviewed by the WASC Review team via teleconference in December. This team will examine our report and develop lines of inquiry that will allow them to inquire more deeply about our report. In March the group will visit Chico physically to complete their queries.

What does WASC want?

Do we have clarity about what we want to accomplish as an institution? Do we have a clear mission and goals and are we mindful about achieving our goals?

How do we know we are achieving our goals? How do we track our purpose and how do we address shortcomings we find? These goals are supposed to animate our University and track all the way down to our individual degrees and programs and divisions (ie. Business and Finance). This is not “rocket science” but basic administration of complex programs.

The Institutional Report

Most of the fact-finding and research is complete. We are still gathering examples of tracking our progress toward our mission, assessing it and making the kind of corrections we need to be effective as an institution.

Loker thanked the WASC Steering Committee of 17 people who convened subject matter experts and some 75 people to consider the contents of the report from all the varied divisions.

He said that he and Provost Larson, Ben Juliano, Lori Miller (Special Assistant to the President) and Brooke Banks (President’s Chief of Staff) were actively editing the 75 pages of material to get them into a suitable format for an authentic, complete and accurate picture of our institution. They would like to have a draft report ready for campus input by March.

Program portfolios

These are websites linked to each academic department and program. These will address three things: What is the mission of the program/department? What are the outcomes? How is the unit doing particularly in terms of student learning and also scholarship and service to the North state and the community. Where shortcomings are found, what is done to address these and how is this evaluated?

Rebecca Liddell (former Chair of Kinesiology) will work with departments to help them to update their content and measures as appropriate. Anna Harris (Manager, Creative Media and Technology) will help make sure the content looks professional, meets all accessibility criteria and is clear.

A University website will be developed for the WASC Review Team to visit and a short video will be made.

Loker encouraged people to work on their departmental portfolios to present data about their programs and to comment on the institutional report when it comes out. He hoped Senate would actively help his successor.

After February 15, Loker said he will not be on campus regularly, but will help Provost Larson consider how to distribute his responsibilities to others on the Academic Affairs leadership team. He said he will chair the Graduation Initiative team until March 1.

Ben Juliano added that the Institutional Research website has been updated and some of the dashboards we hope to use to facilitate WASC accreditation have been uploaded.

- **Progress on items from Academic Senate Fall Retreat (Boyd/Wilking/Wyrick)**
(59:10)

Wyrick reminded everyone that Senate held a retreat last Fall and addressed several important questions about how the Senate functions including 1) how Senate and other committees are formed and function 2) how policies are made 3) how elections are held, and 4) what would our membership look like if we fashioned a University Senate as opposed to an Academic Senate?

Wilking reported on the work that has been done to create a policy on policies by a committee of herself, Boyd, Hidalgo, Kim and Larson. This policy was influenced by that of Humboldt State and was taken to E.C in late November and on to FASP for comments. This should be ready to move forward in the next month.

Wyrick added that he had spoken with the other Senate Chairs and they were inspired by this example of such a legitimate plan for shared government in policy creation.

Boyd commented on the other three areas that impact our Constitution and By-laws. This committee is made up of herself, Wyrick, Camacho, Aird, Scholz, Ferrari, Wilking and Sistrunk. This group has worked with notes from the retreat in Fall and other ideas brought forward in years passed.

The notion of adding staff and student members to the Senate came from the “Recommended Actions in Response to the Open Forum on Shared Governance and the Campus Climate Survey” written by University elected leadership in August and September 2015.

The idea of a Committee on Committees to organize University committee work and membership was first considered in a draft EM in FASP that same year. It appears that this idea will work well in the context of our constitution, perhaps as a nominating committee of some kind. The importance of populating and coordinating our committees is central to making shared governance work.

A draft of these ideas will go to EC and then some way will have to be found for discussion in the full Senate.

- **Public Affairs and Publications name change to University Communications** (Gebb)
(106:22)

Wyrick welcomed Ashly Gebb (Publications Editor, University Communications) to explain the change of name of her unit. She said the change will better align us with our sister campuses across the system that include “Communications” in their titles. Public Affairs is an older name for legislative advocacy that the office does not handle. The new moniker captures the creative services that are offered, including graphic design, copy editing, social media, marketing, branding recommendations and other services. It is a 21st century name that will allow the unit to remain flexible to future changing needs

Hutchinson offered kudos and wanted to recognize that in her time University Communications have really stepped up their game. Boyd added that she thought this name change was transparent and intuitive so that people know what the unit is about and can find the services they need.

6. Standing Committee Reports. (1:08:49-1:12:06)

- **Educational Policies and Programs Committee – Ferrari**

Ferrari offered to answer any questions about the following reports.

EPPC Summary– November 30, 2017, Kendall Hall room 207, 2:30 p.m.

1. The following item was passed as introduction item and returned as action item on the EPPC agenda for January 25, 2018. Minor in Interior Design
2. EPPC also discussed the following items:
 - EO-1071 (guest presenter: Alison Wrynn – State University Associate Dean, Academic Programs)
 - “Lifelong learning opportunities for California residents.” (guest presenter: Debra Barger)
 - unit credit for University Committee work (guest presenter: AS Shared Governance Committee representative)

EPPC Summary– January 25, 2018, Kendall Hall room 207, 2:30 p.m.

1. The following item was passed as action item and forwarded to the Academic Senate office for inclusion as an introduction item on the Academic Senate agenda for February 1, 2018. Minor in Interior Design
2. The following item was passed as introduction item and will return as action item on the EPPC agenda for February 8, 2018. Certificate in Teaching Critical Thinking

- **Faculty and Student Policies Committee – Wilking**

Wilking offered to answer questions about the FASP meeting on the 25th.

FASP Report – January 25th, 2018 Meeting

- Revision to EM 12-065 regarding conflicts of interest in contracts and grants, appeared as an introduction item. Matthew Bently of RESP took questions, and received feedback. The committee decided to table the item, pending further consultation with the Chancellor’s Office.
- The committee reviewed the draft Policy on Policies and suggested several

revisions.

- The committee also discussed a schedule for pending items to appear at FASP and Senate during the spring semester. The discussion included feedback to sub-committee chairs regarding additional revisions and suggestions for consultation.

- **Executive Committee – Wyrick.**

Wyrick reported that EC had met twice since the last reporting.

Executive Committee Synopsis Friday, December 15, 2017, 8:30 a.m., K 103

The primary topics of discussion included:

- A student fee proposal to CFAC (Campus Fee Advisory Committee)
- EO 1110 (Assessment of Academic Preparation and Placement in First-Year General Education Written Communication and Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning Courses) Implementation update and summer Early Start
- Adoption process for proctoring software

The Executive Committee met on January 26, 2018.

The meeting began with a “first” and a “last”:

- Milton Lang, new Vice President for Student Affairs, was welcomed to his first EC meeting.
- Joe Crotts, Academic Senate (and EC) secretary, was welcomed to his last EC meeting.

The agenda for the Academic Senate meeting on February 02, 2018, was approved.

The primary topics of discussion included:

- Summary of Recommendations of the Abusive Prevention Committee, including the status of a Workplace Abusive Conduct EM.
- EM 02-025, Policy on Campus Behavior and Violence Prevention, with emphasis on the Campus Violence Consultation Team (CVCT).
- Update on WASC planning.

Wyrick was asked to clarify what had been made of the recommendations of the Abusive Conduct Prevention Committee and what would happen with the now partly discontinued Policy of Campus Behavior and Violence Prevention? He answered that EC was looking at bringing the recommendations back to the committee to get feedback on some further development ideas and then proceeding from there. Since most of the older EM will be discontinued, some way will have to be found to keep the Campus Violence Consultation Team that is defined in that EM intact.

7. Statewide Academic Senate – Ford/Selvester. <http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/> (1:12:07-1:21:28)

Wyrick asked if the statewide senators wished to add comments about the reports they brought forward. Selvester highlighted several issues that the Statewide plenary had discussed including the CSU state budget and shared governance.

- ASCSU [Resolutions](#) & [Summaries](#)

Selvester noted that the full Senate had also passed a resolution calling for financial support of people formerly incarcerated so that they might finish their degrees (Project Rebound Program: Support and Expansion for the Formerly Incarcerated)

She said that discussion continued about how to apply EOs 1100 and 1110 and that to date nine campuses had been granted time extensions to implement the provisions of EO 1100. There had been misunderstandings about the tasks called for in the orders.

Selvester added that she was involved in writing a white paper that addressed indicators about how to define student success. She said the hope was that faculty would take a leadership role in deciding what this meant. Hutchinson said she hoped that aspects of this paper might be shared as it was being drafted.

- **Other ASCSU Reports**

Ford pointed out the very thorough [Report from ASCSU January 25-26](#) written by John Tarjan and Janet Millar that was linked to the agenda. He especially noted that the resolution about shared governance had been tabled (which effectively killed the measure).

The second measure he highlighted was the resolution Tuition Increases in the California State University which opposes tuition increases in principle and argues that any tuition increases be based upon a long term strategy and be predictable. He hoped that senators would share their opinions about this measure with him and Selvester before it is taken up as an action item at the next plenary meeting.

Selvester noted that the Chancellor's memo supporting CSUs Commitment to Inclusive Excellence included Title V provisions that necessitate a code of conduct for students. She said she was proud of how our CARE team works to provide students support and a variety of services when they are having conduct problems, but she expressed concern that there did not seem to be enough institutional support for faculty and staff dealing with student abusive conduct problems. She hoped we could develop measures that included faculty in responding to student conduct problems instead of diminishing faculty concern as a violation of confidentiality. She said issues of harassment and stalking and other problems had been brought up before and there is still a need for faculty and staff to receive sustained and systematic counselling and support in dealing with such issues with direction about what the faculty should be doing. She pointed out that in K-12 every teacher is apprised of students needs because they are a part of the institutional care offered to students. Faculty should be on the CARE team and kept in the loop about how to respond to troubled students.

Hutchinson hoped this issue would be brought forward in EC as we thought about the kind policy or training needed by faculty, chairs and deans to respond to students with conduct problems.

8. University Report – Hutchinson / Lang.(1:21:29-1:36:47)

Hutchinson reported that she had been working to promote the Butte County Promise program that ensures that all qualified local K-12 students have a place a Chico State. This program, which is based on the Long Beach Promise program, promotes pathways to college by making connections and offering support for students from pre-school through high school and on to

community college and the University. It will offer support to students who aspire to get a college education so that they understand what they need to achieve to go.

Hutchinson joined the President of Butte College, the Superintendent of Chico Unified and other Superintendents of Butte county as well as educators from the First Five who had worked for a year to create an agreement – a memorandum of understanding that underlines the commitment of all these educators of the North State to make a coordinated effort within our service region to increase the numbers of students who are able to attend college. Working together they will increase outreach efforts and promote programs to teach about what is needed to pursue a technical or professional career, but also gain the skills and capacities that enable citizens to be civically engaged members of the community.

Schulte asked if the Butte Promise would be conducted from admissions, or would there be a different kind office considered. Hutchinson said that efforts would be very deliberate from admissions and the effort represents a new cross-agency commitment to the region and the state.

Hutchinson explained the announcement she had sent to the campus emphasizing the University's commitment to the safety of students, faculty and staff. She said this spring there would be active emergency preparedness drills practiced on campus.

She reported that she had spent much time over the Winter break travelling with the indefatigable Ahmed Boura (Vice President for University Advancement) to visit alumni who are deeply committed to the University. She said she had been very gratified by the substantial material support offered.

The new Director of Tribal Relations (Rachel McBride-Praetorius) was also welcomed to campus this winter. She will work with the President to enhance relations with the varied tribes of our region and also inspire native children to one day enroll at Chico State or another University.

Hutchinson attended the meeting of the Board of Trustees and there was much attention to the budget. She said we are always grateful for what the state provides the CSU, but this year the Governor's budget covers only about 47% of our operating costs. It was disappointing that the Governor only offered the system \$92M which leaves a gap of around \$170M. This means there are difficult choices ahead.

It was noted that the CSU graduates about 100,000 students a year and does an amazing job. Operating costs, deferred maintenance and need for capital outlay projects and many other expenses necessitate more support. The Board of Trustees was slated to discuss tuition increases at its March meeting [but this has been delayed until May].

Hutchinson spoke to the Board about our Science building and they gave us the final approval of our plans. This means Siskiyou will come down late this spring or early summer and construction will start on the new building.

She invited everyone to the State of the University address she will give on Monday, February 5th at 3:00. She will talk about the Science building, but also about plans to leverage WASC to

promote our strategic planning towards our master plan. She will also discuss our local budget.

Lang thanked everyone for the warm welcome. He gave a brief overview of his background: Before coming here, he had served five years at U.C Davis as the Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Life and Retention. Prior to that, he was at Washington State University where he served as Senior Vice President for Student Affairs and a number of different roles. Prior to that, he was at CSU Chico as an undergraduate who majored in Social Work (loud cheering ensued here). He said he was excited and proud to be back at an institution that has done so much for him personally as a first generation college student.

After leaving the institution he came to realize the great preparation Chico had provided him as he was prepared to navigate higher education and move up finally to become a Senior Vice President. He said he was happy to be back here because he knew first-hand what we can do to serve students and each other.

In Student Affairs, he said he is on a listening tour to find out what we are doing well, and what we are not doing so well; where are our key partnerships and where do we need help. He is trying to get a sense of the rhythm and beat about the culture here. He said he realized that Student Affairs is not broken, but that there are things that need to be tweaked to position ourselves for new heights.

There are retirements coming up that will necessitate us repositioning ourselves so that we don't miss a beat serving our students. He wants to look at ways to create partnerships with faculty to create synergies to maximize our students' experience and the work we do with one another.

He has met with the Chico Chief of Police and has gone to a town and gown gathering. He is impressed with the collegiality and the notion that we are working together to advance Chico State as well as the city of Chico. He looks forward to the work.

9. Associated Students Report – Sharma/Camacho (1:36:48-1:42:57)

Wyrick introduced Camacho to give the Associated Students report. (The report of the Associated Students for January 31, 2018 is linked [here](#).)

Camacho noted that the Board of Trustees meeting in March seems to have been moved to May.

Camacho reported that she had met with Chancellor White and he had said he wanted to work alongside faculty and students to advocate for more state support for the CSU.

Hutchinson added that for the first time in her experience members of the Board of Trustees also said that they would be active in advocating for more funds for the University. The combination of students, faculty, staff and administrators all working together was a real step forward.

Camacho noted that Sacramento students had also expressed a lot of interest in working with Chico students in Sacramento to advocate with them and speak with legislators. There will be events planned soon that will need volunteers. These dates will be different than the formal lobby days planned for April 29 and May 1, and will take place in the last week of March or in early

April. Wyrick underlined that this will be a shared effort between students and faculty and faculty volunteers would be needed as well.

Camacho wanted to thank Senate for their support of the Chico Cares: basic needs efforts that we have launched to support students with food and housing.

Sistrunk remarked that the Chancellor's Office has been uncreative in thinking about advocating for the CSU in that it has been content to just keep raising student tuition and fees. He hoped the Chancellor could join students, faculty and staff who do not support such measures and benefit from their full advocacy.

10. Staff Council Report – Aird (1:42:58-1:44:57)

Aird noted that the minutes of the December 12, 2017 meeting of the Staff Council are linked [here](#).

At the next Staff Council meeting the five finalists for the Student Giving Program will be selected. The Council awards student clubs with money from their spring fund raising efforts and raffle tickets will be sold. He said this was possible because of the generous support of the President's Office that supports the Staff Spring banquet so that the Staff Council does not need to direct its philanthropy there.

Aird also expressed thanks to the Office of the Vice President for Business and Finance and HR for helping Staff Council fill its needs for its office support so quickly. They are still struggling to uncover and provide for all the jobs taken on by the Office manager over years of service. She also managed the Spirit Award and the Wildcat Award.

11. Proposed Revisions to Alcohol Policy – FASP – Introduction Item (1:44:58-2:02:19)

Wilking introduced Stephen Cummins (Director, University Engagement) and Mike Thorpe (Risk Manager) to discuss the proposed revisions to the EM.

Stephen Cummins explained that the goals of this revision were to:

- mitigate risk to the University
- “clean the proposal” to take out language that is not really policy
- provide for the service of alcohol on campus and put this service under the Research Foundation

This mitigates risk further since its staff will be trained specifically to serve and as an auxiliary, the Research Foundation can purchase liability insurance more cheaply

He explained that mitigating risk entailed protecting University personnel from legal and financial exposure.

Mike Thorpe noted that the University has a \$250,000 general liability policy but that putting alcohol service under the research Foundation does not add to this cost at all. He noted that the policy had been working for six months.

Hutchinson emphasized that policy is that there will be no alcohol at athletic events, but if someone was having a different kind of sanctioned event in the gym, alcohol could be served then.

Wilking explained that the highlighted words of the policy draft showed changes in our older EM.

Cummins noted that the Chancellor's office had changed an older EO and now allowed alcohol at certain events not previously allowed (NCAA events). Hutchinson added that allowing alcohol at NCAA events was supposed to be considered locally, and was intended to accommodate division one schools or different division two schools. We can roll model the appropriate use of alcohol at adult events, but that alcohol at student events or NCAA events at Chico, since there are students and families present will not be allowed.

Wyrick said that the list of "Special Events" where alcohol could be served on page one of the draft could be altered at Action to take out the reference to NCAA Athletic Events.

Roll pointed out that the list of specific events might be too limited since events at the Gateway Science Museum, or the Anthropology Museum were not specified. Cummins said that the list was not supposed to be exhaustive, since buildings and events can change, but the policy allows Cabinet to approve specific events and the list is supposed to be emblematic of the types of events that will be approved.

Hutchinson suggested that the phrase "Turner Museum Openings" be changed to strike "Turner" and leave "Museum Openings" as inclusive of Roll's other examples. ("~~Turner~~ Museum Openings")

Shepherd hoped that the Library events on the fourth floor would be counted as an example of "Receptions" that the list allows. Hutchinson noted that we have had an interesting past at Chico, and that we will have to take it slow as we consider what other events might accommodate adult beverages. Thus, alcohol at receptions in the Library should be understood not include every place in the library, just the limited space on the fourth floor. Shepherd added that only faculty are allowed at these events.

Cummins said that every event would be subject to approval by Cabinet, so that individual requests will have specified limitations as needed.

Wyrick asked about the other highlighted language in the draft.

Mike Thorpe observed that the existing EM is silent about whether auxiliaries fall within the Alcohol Policy though they have always adhered to it. Research and Sponsored Projects have been asked if they wish to be included in this policy. Hutchinson said it should be very clear how they are.

Wilking noted that the other highlighted language on page three under the section "Time" about the specific timing of events was highlighted as FASP members wondered if these clarifications

were too specific for a general policy about all the events on campus. Hutchinson believed these cases required this definition.

Hutchinson asked Cummins to clarify how the practice of groups going to a store and purchasing their own alcohol to serve on campus was restricted by law. Cummins explained that the ABC (Alcoholic Beverage Control Act) is quite specific about how alcohol that is sold at public events must be handled. He noted that many events where alcohol is served can legally be considered as falling within these provisions though they might not appear to. For example, events where raffle tickets are also sold, or where members pay to attend are both considered as subject to the law governing alcohol sales. This policy allows the University to guarantee that alcohol at its event has been attained by distributors in the right way and will be handled according to the law. The University attains specific license to handle this alcohol. Donations of alcohol can be accepted, but they are clearly distinguished as gifts to the University that have gone through the University Foundation processes as such and leave a paper trail accordingly.

Boyd wanted to clarify that the policy does not cover alcohol in the classroom (since the College of Agriculture offers a wine course that covers the vintner's craft and techniques and includes tasting and testing. The course has restrictions about the age of students, but the program regularly receives wines from varied makers. Mike Thorpe said that the policy could specify that it does not apply to course work.

Wyrick suggested that Wilking and Mike Thorpe work on some language to capture these circumstances to add to the EM at Action. Wilking thought the title of the policy did not capture every example of how alcohol might be considered on campus since one might add more about our values, for instance. Hutchinson suggested something like "Alcohol Policy for Special Events".

Wyrick was happy to notice that our conversation about this policy was an example of how discourse can add new ideas to something that might have been considered in different ways for a long time.

Introduction Item passed.

Wyrick hoped that the suggested changes would be brought forward next time and more consideration of classroom issues can be investigated.

14. Ask the Administrator (2:02:22-2:15:04)

Since Hutchinson was under some time constraints, Wyrick asked for questions of the President.

Sistrunk read from the Academic Senate Minutes of November 16, 2017: "Sistrunk inquired regarding the five-year review for dean[s]. Hutchinson will get back on this. Roll noted the four-year window for the university to divest from fossil fuels ends in spring 2018. Hutchinson...will get back on this". Hutchinson answered that Boura put out a statement that we have divested and that there are miniscule holdings associated with a mutual fund but we can assess that. About the fifth year review for deans, she said she will need to get back to the Senate on that since she and the Provost needed to get together so that she has an understanding of that.

Roll noted that she has a colleague who has raised concerns about the environmental impact of the new Science building. Hutchinson said she had heard these concerns and that she had answered them many times. She observed that the University has put out statements that we are committed to working toward carbon neutrality to the best of our ability. When she visited the Science building plans with the Dean Hassenzahl and the science faculty, she noted that we are committed to acting to receive at least a “Silver rating” according to LEED criteria and that we will include stretch goals toward getting a “Gold rating”. Hutchinson said that laboratories emit carbon and are limited in how extreme mitigation efforts of carbon emissions can go.

Selvester reported that over the last two years staff have approached her about the crowding in the parking lot by Nettleton Stadium. The alternative exit road directly to West Sacramento Avenue has been closed and cars can only use the Warner Street exit. This can lead to half hour or more waits to leave work at the end of the day. When this problem was broached last year, the response was that people are speeding in the lot and this closes this off. It is unclear how serious this problem is without data. Another explanation said that there was concern about the homeless in the lot, but there is no way to bar pedestrians from the lot.

Hutchinson said the decision to cut this exit off was made before her arrival, but she had heard that people sped through the route which is a residential area to get to Warner from West Sacramento and vice versa. She said Lane and Stivers could take another look at the problem. She said access from University lots during rush hour was difficult from other lots as well. There are points of tension on our campus and she has had ongoing discussions with the city.

Selvester said that one alternative was to open the road at 5:00 and have an officer standing there to direct traffic if needed and inhibit speeding as necessary. She said that the mugging at the bus stop suggested that officers might be needed in other places as well. Hutchinson emphasized the campus commitment to safety and the discussion would continue.

Hutchinson reiterated that the University is committed protecting the environment and to carbon neutrality and the Paris accords and to reducing our carbon footprint to the best of our ability. We will need to continue to explore how we can pursue these goals.

Pittman observed that a way to partially address the issues of traffic and accommodating new buildings is to advocate for more bicycle and public transportation. The bus is free if you are a student or faculty. Hutchinson said that the city had been in discussions about how to make the downtown more bicycle and pedestrian friendly. She had heard that Oakland had gone through a transportation transformation as well and noted the example of the Netherlands that has designed their streets so that bicycles are safe in the midst of automobile traffic.

Pittman noted that the South Campus neighborhood project of last semester had posited promoting bicycles and creating barriers that preserve safety.

Selvester reminded everyone that not everyone can ride a bike to resolve their transportation needs. Thompson said that students should be on bikes and that freshmen should not be allowed to drive to campus. Hutchinson hoped that we can promote physical activity and sustainable

driving habits. Camacho remarked that Northridge had just introduced a program that promotes biking to campus with publically provided bicycles that can be checked out for a nominal fee. Hutchinson asked if Camacho would bring back a report about how this system works. Sistrunk said there is a student alternative transportation committee. Shepherd wondered about creating more exclusive bike paths around campus. Hutchinson said we will have to revisit these issues.

Wyrick returned to the Information Items 12 and 13 on the agenda. (2:15:05-2:15:47)

12. Nominations open 2/2/18 and CLOSE 2/16/18 for one [Statewide Senator](#) position for a three year term (2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21 AY).

A faculty-wide election will be conducted electronically February 19-23, 2018 if more than one candidate is nominated ([Nomination Form](#))

13. Nominations open 2/2/18 and CLOSE 2/16/18 for three At-Large Senator positions for three year terms (2018-19, 2019-20 and 2020-21 AY).

A faculty-wide election will be conducted electronically February 19-23, 2018 if more than three candidates are nominated ([Nomination Form](#))

15. Other (2:15:50-2:17:15)

Roll announced that the Office of Civic Engagement is starting an initiative with support from Faculty Development and the Provost's Office about 35 faculty and staff are gathering over the Spring to work on The Provost's Initiative about Team Co-Teaching and Civic Engagement. The group will meet three time and look at barriers to Co-Teaching and report to administrators about concrete ways to break down the roadblocks. The group will report to the Senate at the end of the year.

Roll hoped people would let her know if they were working on these kind of projects so that we might be able to coordinate and promote this kind of effort.

16. Adjourn.(2:17:15)

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tim Sistrunk, Secretary