Faculty and Student Policies Committee Minutes

August 29, 2019 2:30, ARTS 228

PRESENT: Underwood (chair), Boyd, Day, Guthrie, Herman, Hidalgo, Irish, Kaiser, Livingston, O’Donnell, Ormond, Peart (Rodriguez proxy), Perez, Sistrunk, Sparks, Thompson, Trailer, Vela, Westbay, Wright, Zartman

ABSENT: none

1. Approve minutes of 4-18-19
   Minutes were approved (Sistrunk m, Kaiser s).

2. Approve today’s agenda
   Agenda was approved (Westbay m, Vela s).

3. Introductions – FASP Committee Members
   Each member introduced themselves and indicated their representation on the committee.

4. Sign up for Secretary Responsibilities
   The chair distributed a sign-up sheet for secretarial duties.

5. FASP Vice Chair (to be elected on 9/12) – Discussion item
   The chair discussed the duties of the vice chair.

6. Review of FASP Guidelines – Discussion item
   The chair went over the document titled FASP Procedures, Policies, and Guidelines. She emphasized the following:
   - Under I, a quote from Article II of The Constitution of the Faculty of CSU, Chico spells out Duties and Responsibilities of faculty
   - II, Functions
   - IV, B. Voting
   - IV, C. Conduct of Meetings
   - IV, D. Subcommittees
   - IV, E. the importance of consultation with constituents, relevant experts around campus, and campus stakeholders.

   By consensus, the committee added “Labor Council” to the parenthetical list of groups in the final sentence of IV, F.

7. How FASP works – Discussion item
Much of this item was covered in the previous discussion of FASP, Procedures, Policies, and Guidelines.

The chair read a prepared statement that several members suggested should be placed in the minutes:

> As participants in shared governance, FASP representatives are an integral component of a system which aspires to collaborate, communicate, and participate in the equitable discussion and facilitation of policy and procedure as it pertains to the welfare of the campus (faculty, staff, students, i.e. various constituents) to be transparent, impartial and data seeking in order to engage in best practices in decision making processes.

Zartman underscored the importance of representing one’s constituency. He urged committee members not to be cowed by upper-level administrators who appear at committee meetings.

Livingston urged that members actively solicit the opinions of constituents.

Boyd stressed the need to ask questions of other committee members and of faculty, staff, and administrators who appear at committee meetings.

8. Upcoming Items (subject to change) - Discussion item
   a. Volunteer for ad-hoc committee
      The chair indicated item a and item c actually refer to the same committee. FASP discussion centered around the context for and possible work of an ad hoc committee that would address URMs grade distribution
   b. EMEDC procedures (additions to EM)
      Some are envisioning. An ad hoc committee, chaired by Vice President for Business and Finance, has been working on possible revisions to the EM governing EMEDC (EM 18-021). A lengthy discussion ensued, touching on WASC suggestions and transparency.
   c. URMs Grades Resolution
      See minutes under 8.a.
   d. Campus Sustainability EM
      FASP will soon explore the writing of such an EM.
   e. Campus Climate Survey Committee EM
      Currently the Campus Climate Survey Committee is ad hoc. An EM would set up a permanent committee with established membership and procedures.

      In addition, the chair noted the possibility of FASP working on an EM governing “complementary units” (formerly “ancillary units”).

O’Donnell stated that the Provost might want more changes in the FPPP re: the RTP process. A discussion of the FPPP will be placed on the agenda for FASP’s next meeting.

9. Announcements
Kaiser observed that the Chico State Police Department is not linked to the warning system of Chico Unified School District. A lengthy discussion of campus safety issues ensued.

Guthrie (A.S. president) informed the committee that the CSU Board of Trustees are considering adding another year of high school math to requirements for entry to CSU. He noted that many students have deep concerns regarding this possibility.

10. Other

NA

11. Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Livingston

Links to: Academic Senate
Current Executive Memoranda
The FPPP
The CBA
The Constitution of the Faculty
Student Conduct Rights and Responsibilities, Campus Policies