



CCSF Academic Senate Executive Council Minutes FINAL MINUTES

Wednesday, 2019 September 18, 2:30-5:00 pm

Ocean Avenue Campus, MUB 140

Council Members Present: Susan Berston, Monica Bosson, Steven Brown, Nixora Ferman, Ben Finateri, Ekaterina Fuchs, Simon Hanson, Thomas Kennedy, Fanny Law, Alexis Litzky, Douglas Owyang, Pablo Rodriguez, Mitra Sapienza, Michele Sieglitz, Michelle Simotas, Chad Stephenson, Fred Teti, Leslye Tinson, Marie Varelas, Katryn Wiese, Dina Wilson, Christina Yanuaria.

Council Members Absent: Jacob Adams, Octavio Alvarez, Malcolm Cecil, Marie Osborne, Kevin Sherman, Rosario Villasana.

Other Senate Members Present: Kathleen White, Madeline Mueller.

Guests: Cherisa Yarkin, Angelica Campos.

- I. **Call to Order, 2:35**
- II. **Adoption of Agenda**
Agenda Adopted
- III. **Special Guests: Associated Student President Angelica Campos**

Angelica Campos briefly reported that:

- This is her second year as President of Ocean campus, and her main mission is to increase communication between student bodies, fill all officer positions (there has been immense turnover), revamp social presence (including Town Halls on campus), make ASC requirements more equitable, address class cuts, and increase communication among constituent groups on campus for greater support.
- She reiterated that students are appointed through the AS Executive Council, and through Student Chancellor, Drew Min.

Questions from Senate members:

- One Senate member expressed his appreciation to Angelica and asked whether noncredit students were being encouraged to run for student council.
- There was a query about what students are doing about class cuts.
- One Senate member asked whether any actions have been taken to involve other sites, the process by which the student Chancellor is appointed, and the result of the Town Hall meetings.
- One Senate member questioned whether adequate support was being provided by faculty.

- The Education Policies Committee met last week, and automatically awarding certificates to students was discussed -- along with the impact on financial aid, veteran benefits, and visas for international students.
- The College Professional Development Committee met last week, and there will be catered lunch at the October flex meeting. For the foreseeable future, lunch will no longer be offered beginning with the January Flex event.

Secretary Berston reported that:

- Group picture day is October 2nd. President Litzky will make it an agenda item to prioritize the timing of the photo, and to maximize group presence.

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Resolution 2019.09.18.02 Appointments to Committees and Task Forces

Career Technical Education

George Peterson, BEMA (new appointment)

Program Review

Susmita Sengupta, Biology (new appointment)

Andrew King, English (new appointment)

Basic Skills

Curriculum Committee, Distance Education Workgroup

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- One Senate member mentioned incorrect instructor and course description links, along with concerns over outcomes -- and the presumption of student internet access and widening the gap when it comes to academic equity.
- One Senate member expressed frustration and asked whether there was a way for more of a dialogue (Q&A) to occur when Chancellor Rocha comes to our meeting.
- One senate mentioned the removal of face-to-face support for Canvas. In addition, the Distance Education Department has data of students likely to be most successful in an online environment. Last, the online environment should complement the traditional face-to-face environment and ideally, resources should be collaborated.

D. Review of Resolution 2019.05.15.06 Resolution on Departmental Faculty Coordinators*

President Litzky presented a resolution passed at the last meeting of the year in May of 2019. It is interesting to think about the value (or limited value) of the resolutions (and collective position) that we pass in the Senate. It raises some questions about how we might approach making these types of positions and the type of leverage points we might find to effect change -- thus, the reason for this resolution of Department Faculty Coordinators.

- One Senate member asked whether the Senate was consulted by the BOT (with a message in writing to the AS) before the removal of coordinator units for departments with such units in the past. Departments with coordinator units are having to do the work without compensation, and this is a violation of labor law. Release time should be immediately reinstated and the board should be following their own policies (Board Policy 2.08).
- One Senate member reiterated that the Board is currently in violation of its policies and Title 5 law (and out of compliance with accreditation standards).
- One Senate member inquired about this as a 10+1 issue.
- There was discussion around whether a resolution is needed.
- The Academic Senate President, Alexis Litzky, will request a written response from the Board of Trustees about the resolution on Departmental Faculty Coordinators.

Resolution 2019.09.18.03 Resolution to request Board of Trustees explanation

Resolved, the Academic Senate empowers the Academic Senate President to request a written explanation from the Board of Trustees about the recommended actions in resolution 2019.05.19.06 Resolution on Departmental Faculty Coordinators.

Moved: Simon Hanson; **Seconded:** Steven Brown

MC, Abstentions: None

Not present: Jacob Adams, Octavio Alvarez, Malcolm Cecil, Marie Osborne, Kevin Sherman, Rosario Villasana.

IX. Unfinished Business
A. Provide feedback for BP/AP updates and proposals

1. New addition to the set: BP 1.27 - Practices and Procedures Governing Conduct Related to Elections and Ballot Measure Elections*

President Litzky solicited additional feedback on BP/AP issues, and addressed the question about whether the Diversity Task Force was consulted with Gender AP/BP, however, they did not want to share. It is not an academic/professional matter. She has asked Leilani Battiste to share information about BP/AP, and she has yet to do so.

This is a rewrite to existing board policy and there have been some nefarious activities around the last bond and election donations. Policies have been created to prevent further occurrences of these events. Feedback is being solicited to take to the PGC meeting tomorrow for a first read, with the potential to be taken to the BOT.

- First Vice-President Hanson mentioned that BP has been written to avoid past behaviors (Phil Day, former Chancellor), around political donations and contributions. He detailed some of the old policies as compared to the new policy (with far fewer restrictions). The new policy would remove explicit restrictions that prohibit asking another person to act as an agent or intermediary in making political contributions. The new policy, therefore, would allow political contributions to be made through intermediaries.
- One Senate member asked, with transparency less than adequate, about whether the timing was optimal to be decreasing regulation or oversight.
- One Senate member requested that President Litzky ask First Vice-President Hanson for his recommendations.
- One Senate member raised the question / confusion as to whether this is a “10+1” issue.
- One Senate member finds this suspicious and urges the PGC and faculty representatives to oppose this policy – and that all current and future administrations be held to a high standard.
- One Senate member agreed that the Senate President should seek a response.
- One Senate member agrees that this language could make headlines about CCSF’s ethics, and “sink the bond”

X. New Business

A. Budget Committee Recommendation

President Litzky projected a supplemental document, written by First Vice-President Hanson and Second Vice-President Teti, written prior to the Chancellor’s release of information this week around his violation of the Board Policy, outlining transparency and inclusive decision making. During collegial consultation, the Chancellor informed Senate Officers that additional information (a confidential memo) explaining/surrounding the salary increases to college stakeholders would be forthcoming. Along with a starting point for discussion, this could become a broader recommendation about transparency

- One Senate member expressed concern about how the salaries (and their corresponding increases) were derived.
- President Litzky mentioned the potential threat of a legal situation (from an

