I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Bonney called the meeting to order at 11:30 am.

II. URGENT BUSINESS

- A Resolution Regarding the Chancellor’s Office Draft Policy on Intellectual Property has been prepared by the Faculty Research Policy Committee. The resolution is restating what has been said by Humboldt, San Jose, and East Bay. The resolution includes excerpts from HEERA and the AAUP documents on Intellectual Property. We will bring this up as an Urgent Business Item at Thursday's AS meeting.
  - If you have it ready, forward it to the AS office to be included in the AS meeting Dropbox folder.
- All the deferral and deficiency notices are going out to graduating students. I wish had a bigger cushion of time because now people that are missing one or two units are being kicked back. This should have been caught when we did grad checks by either the University or by the major department. Because now the student has to go through our specialist. I understand there are always deficiencies. If someone fails a class in December I understand that one, but being short of units, that should have been caught
  - There are two problems. The first is you could fulfill all of your requirements on the TDA and still have units that you need to complete and it is not intuitively obvious to anyone where all that can show up. The second piece is students are eligible for grad checks at 90 units. Doing a grad check at 90 units when a student has a 24 unit BA and they have 25 units of elective is just guess work. We need to figure out a better way to deal with those two issues. We need a red flashing light “you are not registered for enough” when they try to register.
  - We can send all senior a message on the portal recommending them to start a grad check because they are over 90 units in September of fall. Outlining the process they need to follow to guarantee they have enough units to graduate.
  - We need to communicate this concern to both the Provost and Pam Oliver stating we need to continue to find ways to prevent this from happening.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (Dabirian) Change your password.
- (Bruschke) Go Titan Softball!

IV. TIME APPROXIMATE

12:00 – 12:15 PM

Tonantzin Oseguera

AVP Oseguera came to share information with the Executive Committee about what Student Affairs has done and the processes they have in place.

Last week the Academic Senate passed a resolution in regards to some of the activities student organizations, students groups, and non-student have been engaging in. Student Affairs has looked into some of the stuff that our student organizations have been doing. We have looked at it from different aspects-- if there have been any policy violations, any possible criminal activity, or any violations of discrimination. And the reality is, it is free speech. There has been no violation of any policy, including our policy on civility in regards to the students engaging. We have some student organizations and people who are mirroring what’s happening in our political climate and its society.
The way our laws exist, the freedom that gives one group the ability to post something, is the same ability that gives another group the freedom to post something as well. We have received complaints about posts from the student organization the Student’s for Quality Education; they aren’t registered, but they belong here on campus. We received complaints about some of their posts being very offensive to other parts of our student organizations. One of the things we were able to discover was that one of the fake accounts is not run by current students, it is actually being run by an alum of this campus and we don’t have that far reaching arm to be able to do anything. Even if it was a student group running some of those accounts or doing that, it still falls under free speech.

One of questions that came up was what about hate speech. The comment from Monique Shay is hate speech is a social construct; it isn’t something that is against the law, it isn’t something that we can do anything about. Hate crimes, which are directly related to actions, in particular criminal actions, are punishable by law. Hate speech is not something that is in violation of the law, and our First Amendment protects it, so we have no oversight into it. Our civility code is really much more about dealing with each other as individuals. As a group we may have some norms, but it really is intended to protect.

Where I would ask for your help and support is that we help our students to engage in a better way. I have had conversations with the members of the CSU College Republicans, the College Democrats, our Young Americans for Liberty, and with students from Students for Quality Education (SQE) about how do we engage in a way that isn’t like this. Can we raise the level of dialogue? Can we raise the level of being able to disagree? Disagree with a person all that you want, but when you start getting personal, when you start hating the person, that’s where I think we erode our democracy. How do we have that exchange of idea? That’s where I would ask all of you that are expert faculty, who work with the students directly, to engage with students in that conversation. Challenge them when they say something that you know not to be true in a way that is respectful.

I know it’s a tough message to hear. What I have shared with students is I know that it is not the answer you wanted to hear, I know it’s probably not as easy and clear-cut, but that is where we are. We will continue to monitor and watch to make sure students are behaving within these constraints so that if individual students are engaging in behavior that is against our policies and against our code of conduct, we take action. No matter where they are, we will take action.

Q&A:

Q: So do we need to undo the resolution?
A: That is completely and totally up to the Senate. I respect your processes, your body. I don’t have an opinion about that.

Q: Are we prepared in Student Affairs and Academic Affairs, in terms of security for a high profile type of event? What kind of money would that take? I want to know that we are ready for it, in light of the fact that different news outlets have been covering that it is not just a free speech issue, but it is a concerted effort to embarrass campuses. It’s a campaign to catch us doing something we are not supposed to or responding too quickly without having a deep understanding.

A: We are having conversations around it. This is Student Affairs, Academic Affairs, and everybody. We have to be united. In terms of logistics, can we handle it? Yes. Can we handle the discussion that comes up and how people are going to feel about someone like an Ann Coulter coming to campus? I don’t know.

Q: Can we afford Anaheim Anarchists coming to campus?
A: We have no money. Can we afford it in terms of financially? If it comes, we are going to have to be ready. But the concern is not the money. We will figure that out, we will have to ask for help and do whatever it takes; the Chancellor’s office, we will have to get ready. The issue is what happens when someone like that comes? Are we doing to be divisive and say we don’t want this on our campus? Or are we going to say our student organization is bringing this person to campus and they are going to espouse ideas that some of us disagree with, but others agree with? How do we reconcile that? I would ask for your help. We have to have that conversation.

Q: When you said you have discussion groups that talk about it more informal, are faculty involved in that?
A: Yes and no, it depends. Something like what occurred with the Chicano Resource Center that is a staff member talking and checking in with students. I will check-in with folks on a regular basis. But we don’t have discussion groups that are formal in that way, it’s more of kind of an invitation.

VP Oseguera stated she would be willing to come share this information with the Senate if needed.
V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
5.1 EC Minutes (Draft) 5-2-17 forthcoming

VI. CHAIR’S REPORT

- Recommended change to the GE Report. Somewhere in here we mention double-counting in all the lower GE courses. The GE committee has come up with a different recommendation because one of the concerns is students who change majors. Their recommendation of what should be done instead is; students as they proceed through the system, if they complete what they think is a GE requirement, at that moment become certified as having completed that requirement for GE. That means if they become a sociology major down the road, they don’t have to go back and take another intro. I would propose to add that as an alternative in the document.

- We are going to have great difficulty getting some of our more significant things done because we are going to finish the ANTH 101 matter this coming Thursday, but another course (CTVA 481) is going to get pulled from the consent calendar and be subject to another debate about whether that course should go into the curriculum. CTVA 481 went to the UCC for a hearing last Friday, challenged by business which says it’s really a business course, CTVA says not it’s not. The committee’s ruling was 5-2.

Q: If CTVA 481 is pulled from the consent calendar, then it becomes the first Item of new business?
A: Yes, that is correct. So we would finish the discussion of ANTH 101 and move immediately into the discussion of CTVA 481 and whether it should be approved.

Q: Could we move to re-order the agenda?
A: Yes, but you would have to get a unanimous vote by the Senate to do that.

- We have UPS 210,000, the part that was going to create the college personnel standard review committees that was strongly recommended in our retreat last fall. At the moment the only thing that is indicated in there is the colleges will create these committees and how that works. There are two things that have not happened 1) no provision had been made for the Library 2) the SOQs should also go to that committee. The original plan had been to amend on the floor; my concern is we are running out of time. I have done two things: 1) I have asked John Patton to poll the Faculty Affairs Committee to find out if we should consider that FAC would become the committee for Library Faculty Personnel Standards 2) include the SOQs in the document so it goes to the Senate already with that piece in it.

- We still need a coordinator for the Academic Appeals Board. Jack Bedell recommended Jill Rosenbaum. She has already done six years total in that position, is completing her FERP this year and has declined. Jill has recommended Bob Gass, Max Dery, or Brad Starr. Brad is the current chair of the Academic Appeals Board, whether he would be willing to take on the coordinator position is another matter.

  - Ask Brad Starr and if he says no, ask Max Dery.

- We have interviews coming up for AVP Academic Operations, AVP Government and Community Relations, and the Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs. I hope you will go to as many as you can, it is important you attend these.

Q: Would it be possible to send one document with the upcoming interviews with the time and locations?
A: Yes, we will get a list together and circulate via email.

- One of the things coming up on May 18th is a brief presentation about the Open Access Policy that has been proposed?

- We had somebody use the DL for campaigning. Everyone knows they are not supposed to do that. It says it on the place where you go to vote. You also know because you had training at some point that you never us the DL for personal purpose. We are not going to identify the person who did it. We are going to be dealing with this through the Elections Committee; it will be in my Chair’s report. We will talk about how we should deal with this in the future. . The Elections Committee is looking into ways to make this more prominently displayed, so when the petitions are picked up, on the bottom there will be a statement about not using DLs with a penalty, if you or your supporters use a DL, you will be disqualified.

VII. INTERIM PROVOST REPORT – 12:30 PM

No report.

VIII. STAFF REPORT

No report.
IX. COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

9.1 ASI Board [Bonney], T, 5-2-17, 1:15-3:45PM, TSU Legislative Chambers

There were a few reports, and the board considered and approved a series of significant number of revisions to the ASI bylaws. The Board also conducted in closed session its annual review of the executive director Dave Edwards.

9.2 Diversity & Inclusion Committee [Gradilla], W 5-3-17, PLS-299

No report.

9.3 Faculty Affairs Committee [Bonney], F, 5-5-17, 10:00AM-12:00PM, MH-141

The FAC did not have a meeting on 5 May for lack of a quorum.

9.4 Information Technology Committee [Bonney], F, 5-5-17, 10:00-11:00AM, LH-702

No report.

9.5 Curriculum Committee [Stambough], F, 5-5-17, 12:00-2:00PM, MH-141

The University Curriculum Committee held an open hearing on the MCBE challenge to CTVA 481. After hearing presentations from both sides and questions from committee and audience members, the committee voted 5-2 in favor of approving CTVA 481.

Bob Mead was elected UCC Chair for next year.

The committee made some recommendations for future agenda items for next year’s committee that will be forwarded to the Senate Chair in the memo from the Committee Chair. These recommendations included reviewing the relevant UPS on cross-listing and also on minors.

9.6 Academic Standards Committee [Matz], F, 5-5-17, 1:00-2:00 PM, MH-166

One last meeting was called in the hopes of electing a chair for the next coming year. Not enough members for a quorum to vote; the members will elect a new chair at the first meeting in the Fall 2017 semester.

9.7 General Education Committee [Bonney], F 5-5-17, 2:00-4:00PM, MH-141

The Committee began with a review of the proposed 8-year GE Course Recertification Plan developed by Brent Foster. They agreed that there seemed to be a real advantage to asking department with courses under review to do all those courses in the same semester. They then considered the announcement of the 2017-2018 recertification plane. The delay occasioned by the process in which departments develop their packets for recertification suggests that when the schedule for GE Meetings is set up there should be consideration of the special issues of recertification. The GE Committee then turned to the problem of recertification. There was an extensive discussion of issues around some C1 courses offered by the Art department (ART 103, 104, 106C, 107A and 107B) and the need to provide more substantial cultural content and writing assignments. They agreed that the courses should be returned for additional work. The committee also considered HONR 201A which seemed find and HIST 170B which needed some additional work. They also reviewed HIST 180 and HIST/CHIC/AFAM/ASAM 190 and MUS 100, 101 and 102. Brenda Bowser war re-elected chair for 2017/2018.

9.8 Graduate Education Committee [Oliver], F, 5-5-17, 2:00-4:00PM, H-219

No report.

9.9 Planning, Resource & Budget Committee [Meyer], F, 5-5-17, 1:00-2:30PM, CP-1060-05

- Minutes of April 21 meeting approved
- New Business
  - Self-Support MS in Human Services Leadership Approved
  - VP Danny Kim made a short presentation on Tuition increases for next year.
    - Most of this was covered by his presentation to the ASCSUF yesterday.
- We will meet on May 12 Meeting as scheduled to review the draft version of PRBC’s letter to the President
X. NEW BUSINESS
10.1 Revision to UPS 410.115 - Academic Credit Certificate Programs
   This will be added to the May 18th AS agenda as a consent calendar item.
10.2 Revision to UPS 411.601 - Policy on Academic Internships
   This will be added to the May 18th AS agenda.
10.3 Standing Committee Vacancies for AY 2017-18
10.4 Free Speech
   1. CSU OGC Free Speech Training 1-26-2017 ASCSU
10.5 Having Dr. Kari Knutson Miller making presentation to Academic Senate
10.6 Having a presentation on Open Access
10.7 Anti-Bullying Policy
10.8 CSU Online Learning Principles

XI. ADJOURNMENT
M/S/P (Dabirian/Walker) Meeting adjourned at 12:45 PM.