



**ACADEMIC SENATE  
MINUTES  
DECEMBER 10, 2020**

**ASD 20-124**

*Approved 1-28-21*

**11:30 AM - 12:50 PM**

**Zoom**

Present: Badal, Barber, Barros, Biesiada, Brown, Bruce, Brusckke, Casem, Childers, Choi, Dabirian, David, Fidalgo, Filowitz, Forsgren, Ghosh, Gillespie, Gnanlet, Gradilla, Graewingholt, Jarvis, Jefferies, Kanel, Linares, Lucas, Matz, McLain, Meyer, Miller, Nair, Perez, Reneau, Self, Sheehan, Shoar, Stambough, Stohs, C. Thomas, E. Thomas, Valdez, Virjee, Walicki, Walsh, Woo, Wood, Wynants, Zarate

Absent: Walker

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Stambough called the meeting to order at 11:30 AM.

The Senate observed a moment of silence.

**In Memoriam**

- Nancy Fitch, Emeritus Professor of History [died: November 15, 2020]
- C. Eugene Jones, Emeritus Professor of Biological Science
- Hugo J. Fabris, Emeritus Technician III, Support Services

**II. URGENT BUSINESS**

No urgent business.

**III. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

➤	Welcome Paul Miller, Emeriti Senator	
➤	The final two articles for the Fall edition of the Senate Forum are now available.	The publication can be found on the <a href="#">Senate Forum Website</a> .

Additional announcement:

- (Gradilla) I want to acknowledge and thanked everybody on Senate for being supportive, and I like to think that all of our work is because we are thinking of the students. I want to give a shout out to all of you who have been caretakers for your elderly parents or relatives or to those of you who simultaneously had to zoom with your class and had to have one eye and ear on your child. It was very challenging this semester, I am mentally exhausted, but my students give me life and energy. I just wanted to thank everybody here, and if anybody is not getting acknowledged or validated in their home from their spouse or their colleagues, I like to say I see your work, thank you, and I appreciate all of you.

**IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

M/S/P (Walsh/Brown) Motion to approve both sets of minutes. Minutes were approved.

- 4.1 ASD 20-109 Academic Senate Minutes 10-29-20 (Draft)
- 4.2 ASD 20-116 Academic Senate Minutes 11-12-20 (Draft)

**V. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

M/S/P (Childers/Casem) Motion to consent calendar. The consent calendar was approved.

- 5.1 ASD 20-121 GE Courses Recommended for Inclusion in the General Education Program

**VI. CHAIR'S REPORT**

[2-page report](#)

## VII. PROVOST REPORT

I want to second Senator Gradilla's comments of gratitude for the community. This has been an extraordinary semester on any front and with the addition of the need to think so quickly about such an important moment in history. We will be bringing our students the critical lens through which to view the past, present, and future is Ethnic Studies. The grace, strategy, and generosity that I have seen across all sectors as we look for the best way to move this forward for all of our students are incredibly affirming that I am grateful to be the Provost.

I want to confirm my deep belief in shared governance, that faculty have the tools they need in moments like this to find the right way forward, especially in a friendly and appreciative community like this one. Just to remind us all that our care and feeding of our general education requirements are probably the most critical responsibility. It's the heart of liberal education, and it's the fountain from which all things flow.

In a perfect world, we would have the time and space to make so many thoughts, improvements, and suggestions across the whole of the general education, that though I understand, happened recently. So, the moment we are at is a moment to find the best way forward now, to leave as much intact to make decisions down the road as this body use general education regularly as its purview.

## VIII. STATEWIDE ACADEMIC SENATE REPORT

[2-page report](#)

## IX. ASI REPORT

[4-page report](#)

1. A Resolution In Support of the Philippine Human Rights Act - signed

## X. CFA REPORT

[7-page report](#)

## XI. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Chair Stambough introduced documents and stated the purpose of this meeting is for the Senate to provide feedback on the proposed changes. Senator Childers will take the feedback to the GE Committee.

The Senate had an extensive and robust discussion on items 11.1 and 11.2.

### 11.1 New Area F (Ethnic Studies) Requirement (Drafts for feedback to the committee)

1. CSU General Education Breadth Requirements - Changed
2. ASD 20-117 Revisions to UPS 411.200 - General Education Guidelines and Procedures: New and Existing Courses
  - (Jarvis) Line 38: change the word "Department" to "Departments."
3. ASD 20-118 Revisions to UPS 411.201 - General Education: Breadth Objectives and Course Development
4. ASD 20-119 Revisions to UPS 411.202 - General Education Program: Unit Requirements, Academic Standards, and Exceptions
5. ASD 20-120 UPS 411.203 - General Education: Programmatic Student Learning Goals and Learning Outcomes

### 11.2 Area D Options (for feedback to the committee)

1. CSU General Education Policy - Updated
2. Area D Options: for discussion

## XII. ADJOURNMENT

M/S/P (Dabirian/Shoar) Meeting adjourned at 12:55 PM.