



Academic Senate: Executive Committee

Minutes

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2025

10:00 A.M. – 11:30 AM

Location: BPA Conference Room 134

Zoom Link: <https://csub.zoom.us/j/88091986667?pwd=GOSakqXvulfaZihtNxTsAFBYwWqAJs.1&jst=1>

Members: M. Danforth (Chair), D. Solano (Vice-Chair), D. Thien (Provost), C. Lam (ASCSU Senator), N. Michieka (ASCSU Senator), T. Tsantsoulas (AAC Chair), L. Kirstein (AS&SS Chair), A. Grombly (BPC Chair), Z. Zenko (FAC Chair), and K. Van-Grinsven (Senate Analyst).

Guests: President Harper, D. Boschini, L. Blodorn, M. Gonzalez, E. Poole Callahan, and K. Watson.

1. Call to Order

A. Chair Danforth called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

2. Announcements and Information

A. President Harper (**Time Certain: 10:10 AM**)

- i. President Harper President Harper who brought several guests, including D. Boschini, L. Blodorn, E. Poole Callahan, K. Watson, and Chief of Police M. Gonzalez.
- ii. President Harper stated that the allegations in the Sport Illustrated (SI) article came from individuals who had an agenda and presented a biased view to SI.
- iii. The Chief of Police stated that UPD had no knowledge of human trafficking until August 29. She also stated that the person being trafficked had no ties to campus. Upon receiving the anonymous tip on August 29, UPD contacted BPD, and K. Mays was taken into custody within five days. Subsequently, BPD's investigation resulted in additional charges related to Child Sexual Abuse Materials (CSAM) and CSUB learned of those charges when they were made public by BPD. In spring 2025, in connection with the larger softball investigations, UPD was notified of a rumor that Mays and the student were involved in a relationship and a rumor that K. Mays and the student were selling guns and drugs. UPD conducted several interviews, and this information was shared with both BPD and the FBI. Multiple police reports were generated by UPD and other agencies regarding various aspects of the softball investigation. No evidence was found during interviews in spring 2025 to substantiate any relationship between K. Mays and the student-athlete or to indicate that they were involved in any criminal conduct together. None of the reports generated in spring 2025 related to alleged criminal conduct by K. Mays.
- iv. L. Blodorn presented confidential information regarding the HR investigation. L. Blodorn also stated that E. Poole Callahan's role was related to the student conduct investigation.

- v. D. Boschini stated that when the request was made in spring 2025 to move K. Mays from a staff to faculty position, typical hiring procedures, including a background check, were conducted. Boschini also shared that it was athletics that put forward the request to hire Mays into a faculty position, which was approved by K. Conder.
 - vi. Extensive discussion followed, and EC decided to put forward two resolutions: one focusing on a call for a Chancellor's Office investigation, and another reaffirming shared governance. Several edits were made to the current drafts. EC also discussed a referral to FAC regarding updates to the university handbook to reflect the cabinet changes.
- B. EC Guests:
- i. October 14 - D. Boschini, AVP for Faculty Affairs
- C. Senate Guests:
- i. Upcoming:
 - a. October 9 – VP for SASEM
 - b. October 23 – AVP for GRaSP
 - c. November 6 – GE Director, 2024-2025 GECCo Report
 - ii. Future:
 - a. J. Watkins – Center for Accessibility and Essential Needs
 - b. K. De Young – Facilities
3. Approval of Agenda (Time Certain: 10:05 AM)
- A. Z. Zenko motioned to approve the agenda; seconded by A. Grombly. Agenda approved.
4. Approval of Minutes (deferred)
- A. August 26, 2025 (handout)
 - B. September 9, 2025 (handout)
 - C. September 23, 2025 (handout)
5. Continued Items (Time Certain: 10:30 AM) (deferred)
- A. AS Referral Log (see BOX folder; handout)
- i. AAC (T. Tsantsoulas)
 - ii. AS&SS (L. Kirstein)
 - iii. BPC (A. Grombly)
 - iv. FAC (Z. Zenko)
 - a. Pending Referral: Sixth-year Lecturer Review (carry-over from 2024-2025; Hold for taskforce report)
- B. Provost Report (D. Thien)
- i. Academic Administrator Searches:
 - a. Arts and Humanities: Associate Dean Search (*in progress*)
 - b. Social Sciences and Education:
 - i. Interim Associate Dean Appointment
 - ii. Dean Search (*committee formation in progress*)
 - c. AVP of Academic Programs (*committee formation in progress*)
 - ii. Academic Administrator Reviews (AARC)
 - a. 2025-2026 AARCs for:
 - i. Associate Dean, EEGO (*call in progress*)

- ii. Dean for the College of BPA (*Provost appointments needed*)
 - iii. Associate Dean for the College of NSME (*Provost appointments needed*)
 - b. 2024-2025 AARC for AVP for Enrollment Management (Review not conducted)
 - C. Reports and Recommendations
 - i. Task Force for Periodic Evaluation (Hold; waiting for report)
 - ii. Criteria for Proposing New Schools Taskforce (Hold; waiting for report)
 - D. Faculty Visas (Hold; AVP Boschini coming to EC 10/14)
 - E. Calendar Committee – A. Grombly, BPC Chair
 - F. Add “Statements of the Senate” Process to governing documents – EC
6. New Discussion Items (**Time Certain: 10:45**) (deferred)
- A. Elections and Appointments (D. Solano) (handout)
 - i. Appointment/ Recommendations Needed:
 - a. Faculty Ombudsperson
 - b. All-University Teacher Education Advisory Committee (TEAC)
 - c. Institutional Research and Planning Assessment Advisory Committee (IRPA)
 - d. Taskforce to Develop Guidelines for Faculty Use of Artificial Intelligence
 - B. Commendation for CAMP and HEP Programs – EC (handout)
 - C. ASI Resolution: SB 104 ASI and Shared Governance (handout)
 - D. Post-enrollment Requirements Checking (PERC) Timing Concerns (handout) – AAC and AS&SS
 - E. Concerns about content and assignment of instructors for CSUB 1029 (handout) – AAC and FAC
 - F. Term limits for Department Chairs, FHAC members and other committees – FAC
 - i. FHAC Term Limits discussed at Summer Senate Retreat_ 2025-05-21 (handout)
 - G. Inventory of AI and other automated software (handout) – AS&SS
 - H. Process for appointing academic Acting MPPs – Handbook Change – FAC
 - I. Clarify Post-Tenure Review with Promotion (handout) – FAC
 - J. Department Name Change Request for HD-CAFS (handout) – AAC
 - K. Policies on Approval of Course Coding Changes (handout) – AAC, FAC and AS&SS (?)
 - L. Handbook and Bylaws Project – EC (See Box folder for handouts)
 - i. Updating Schools to Colleges
 - ii. Updating all references to quarters
 - iii. Standing Committees Composition:
 - a. Clarify Handbook language about staff positions being non-MPP staff
 - b. AS&SS Composition: Associate Dean of Undergraduate and Graduate Studies is not actually listed in the bylaws as an ex-officio member of AS&SS.
 - iv. Director of Assessment: Review position (Handbook 105.2 and 305.6.)
 - v. Council of Academic Deans: Review Composition and name (Handbook 105.2)
 - vi. Public Affairs Committee: Committee in handbook but not bylaws (Handbook 107.1. Standing Committees of the Academic Senate). Discussion on if we want to create the committee or not.
 - vii. Review committees listed (Handbook 107)
 - viii. Update TEAC Description: Currently lists old college names (H&SS, SOE, and NSM) (Handbook 201.5)
 - ix. Update reference to Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs- association with Academic Advising and review other duties (Handbook 104.2.1)
 - x. Update position titles in 309.9 (Handbook 309.9)

- xi. Update all references to the AVP of Enrollment Management- distinguish the VP of Strategic Enrollment Management from the new AVP of Enrollment Management
- xii. Bylaws Section IV.A.4 Annual reports from committees- limit to specific committees?
- xiii. Review and update the Standing Committees ex-officio positions due to the re-organization of university
- xiv. Changes to bylaws that were approved by previous resolution but never posted (clarifying the edition of Robert's Rules of Order).
- xv. Q2S Lingered Issues:
 - a. Deadline issue for stating one's intent to seek promotion to full professor
 - b. Discussions about whether we should change the Handbook to require classroom observations for tenured faculty.

7. Agenda Items for Senate **(Time Certain: 11:15 AM)**

Academic Senate Meeting – Fall 2025

Thursday, October 9, 2025

Agenda

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Location: Dezember Leadership and Development Center, Room 409-411

Zoom Link: <https://csub.zoom.us/j/84669370314?pwd=gmLoywwMxQR4k7G0hUhv25vs0N8xr8.1>

Senate Members: Chair M. Danforth, Vice-Chair D. Solano, CSU Senator C. Lam, CSU Senator N. Michieka, AH Senator T. Tsantsoulas, AH Senator M. Naser, BPA Senator D. Wu, BPA Senator S. Sarma, NSME Senator L. Kirstein, NSME Senator A. Stokes, SSE Senator Z. Zenko, SSE Senator S. Roberts, AV Senator K. Holloway, At-Large Senator H. He, At-Large Senator A. Grombly, At-Large Senator A. Hays, At-Large Senator A. Lauer, At-Large Senator T. Salisbury, At-Large Senator R. Dugan, Lecturer Electorate Senator D. Horn, Senator H. Gonzalez – Staff Representative, Senator A. Reyes – ASI President, VP AA & Provost D. Thien, Senator J. Dong – Dean Representative, and Senate Analyst K. Van Grinsven.

Guests: President Harper, D. Cantrell and A. Hegde.

- I. Call to Order and Tejon Tribal Land Acknowledgement
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - a. September 11, 2025 (handout)
 - b. September 25, 2025 (HOLD)
- III. Announcements and Information
 - a. President's Report – V. Harper **(Time Certain: 10:10 AM)**
 - b. VP for Student Affairs and Strategic Enrollment Management (SASEM) - D. Cantrell **(Time Certain: 10:30 AM)** (*revised Time Certain)
 - c. Elections and Appointments – D. Solano (handout)
 - d. Upcoming Events:
 - i. October 10- Faculty Town Hall; HOB 1107 and virtual

1. Zoom Link:

<https://csub.zoom.us/j/88287854575?pwd=MFeUUJLQtvPW9LwUZgjRqM4LU4Rl5.1>

IV. Approval of Agenda **(Time Certain: 10:05 AM)**

V. Reports

- a. Provost's Report – D. Thien
- b. ASCSU Report – Senators Lam and Michieka (deferred)
- c. ASI Report – Senator Reyes
- d. Staff Report – Senator Gonzalez
- e. Committee Reports:
 - i. Executive Committee and Summer Senate– Vice-Chair Solano (handout)
 - ii. Standing Committees:
 - 1. Academic Affairs Committee (AAC) – Senator Tsantsoulas (handout)
 - 2. Academic Support and Student Services Committee (AS&SS) – Senator Kirstein (handout)
 - 3. Budget and Planning Committee (BPC) – Senator Grombly (handout)
 - 4. Faculty Affairs Committee (FAC) – Senator Zenko (handout)
- f. CFA Report – Senator Salisbury

VI. Resolutions **(Time Certain: 10:45 AM)**

- a. Consent Agenda: no items.
- b. Old Business:
 - i. RES 252603 – Double Major Policy Changes – AAC (Hold; in subcommittee)
 - ii. RES 252604 – Minor Policy Changes – AAC (Hold; in subcommittee)
- c. New Business:
 - i. RES 252605 - Reaffirming Shared Governance and the University Handbook as Policy – EC (handout) (*added)
 - ii. RES 252606 - Call for a CSU Chancellor's Office Investigation Regarding Recent Incidents in Athletics – EC (handout) (*added)

VII. Open Forum **(Time Certain: 11:15 AM)**

VIII. Adjournment

8. Adjournment

- A. Chair Danforth adjourned the meeting at 11:55 AM. An additional Executive Committee meeting has been scheduled for October 14.