# Academic Affairs Committee Meeting

Thursday, May 2nd, 2024

10-11:30am

Education 123 Conference Room

## Meeting Minutes

**Attendees:** J. Deal, H. He, T. Holiwell, E. Montoya, D. Solano, M. Szolowicz, T. Tsantsoulas, J. Wang

**Absent:** L. Gonzales, A. Hays, D. Jackson

### Approval of the Agenda

### Approval of Minutes April 18th, 2024

The minutes were approved.

### Resolutions

1. **RES 232416 (Referral 2023-2024 #23) New Degree Program Proposal – Bachelor of Music in Music Education**

We are still waiting on clarification of the correct program name before it goes to full senate. *This item is deferred until next year.*

1. **2023-2024 #26 New Department Proposal – Public Health**

Approved at 4/25 Senate meeting. Tommy will try get it into the 24/25 catalog.

1. **RES 232422 (Referral 2023-2024 #30) Academic Integrity Policies - Graduate and Undergraduate**

Approved at 4/25 Senate meeting.

1. **RES 232425 (Referral 2023-2024 #33) Academic Prioritization**

First reading occurred at the 4/25 Senate meeting. We received feedback at Senate including clarifying taskforce composition. Also, it was suggested that we could “push back” and respond that we are opposed and/or propose something different than annual review. Dani added suggestions to the current resolution to get discussion going. We discussed the taskforce, how many people should serve on it, and what the qualifications should be. Language was added to the current draft to clarify. The edits will be forward on for second reading at Senate.

1. **RES 232428 (2023-2024 #38) Review of Programs Offered Through Extended Education**

First reading occurred at the 4/25 Senate meeting. Dani forwarded it to Dr. Watson for feedback and received no response. Dani also shared it with the UPRC, and they had some suggestions (added in red to resolution). The committee liked the edits regarding the program review schedule. We discussed if existing certificates should be grandfathered in or not. Decided to add the word officially. The edits will be forward on for second reading at Senate.

1. **RES 232427 (2023-20024 #39) Program Discontinuation- Minor in Organizational Studies**

First reading occurred at the 4/25 Senate meeting. No feedback received.

1. **2023-2024 #40 ECE Minor in HD-CAFS Appeal**

Memo was included in the agenda for the 4/25 Senate meeting.

### Referrals

1. **2023-2024 #29 Proposal to add New Minors – Ethnic Studies, Feminist Ethnic Studies, Queer Ethnic Studies**

Dani emailed Tracey on April 4th suggesting changing the courses to non-GE courses but has not heard anything yet. *Deferred until next year.*

1. **2023-2024 #20 Proposal for ACS Biochemistry Degree**

Still waiting on the updated proposal…most recent update on 3/22 was that it was waiting for the Provost’s consent to be forwarded to the Senate for review. *Deferred until next year.*

1. **2023-2024 #35 Administering SOCIs**

We discussed the issue of paper versus online SOCIs. Paper SOCIs have higher response rates but high cost. Why is paper the default? Suggestion that the default should be online. Concerns expressed with online SOCIs were the lack of linkage between quantitative and qualitative data, also students have a hard time finding them, and timing (one week versus three weeks). Michael asked if SOCIs were a CSU requirement or just a CSUB requirement? We were unsure…it does seem to be a CSUB requirement, but no one knew if it was a CSU requirement. Nursing does a separate course evaluation in addition to SOCIs. The general feeling was that SOCIs should be weighted less (bias in SOCIs due to gender, race/ethnicity, accent, course, etc.). Do we need to provide all of them? Other colleges share only their best. Maybe there should be advice/workshops for faculty on how to increase response rates for online SOCIs? We decided to defer the issue until year and recommended that all issues be discussed at once.

### Other Discussion Items

1. **GECCo Response to CalGETC**The floor was opened for further discussion and suggestions for Eduardo and GEECo. Only suggestion was to double check to make sure the new proposal falls within the required number of units for GE.