



Academic Senate Meeting – Spring 2024

Thursday, May 9, 2024

Minutes – Session 1

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

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

Zoom Link: <https://csub.zoom.us/j/89839397226?pwd=NkxIZ241eC8vK3J5Z2R5ZXJBZDg1dz09>

Members: Chair A. Hegde, Vice-Chair M. Danforth, Senator M. Ayuso (alt. for A. Rodriguez), Senator D. Alamillo, Senator J. Cornelison, Senator E. Correa (virtual), Senator J. Deal, Senator J. Dong, Senator H. He (virtual), Senator A. Jacobsen (alt for A. Lauer; virtual), Senator S. Marks (alt for A. Sawyer; virtual), Senator M. Rees, Senator M. Rush (excused), Senator T. Salisbury, Senator S. Sarma, Senator D. Solano, Senator M. Taylor (virtual), Senator T. Tsantsoulas, Senator D. Wu, Senator Z. Zenko, Interim Provost J. Rodriguez, and Senate Analyst K. Van Grinsven.

Guests: Interim President V. Harper, E. Montoya, T. Harmon, S. Roberts, D. Boschini (virtual), E. Adams (virtual), J. Paschal (virtual), V. Mayorga (virtual), and E. Garibay (virtual).

A. Call to Order

- a. Chair Hegde called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM and read the tribal land acknowledgement and statement regarding decorum.

B. Approval of Minutes

- a. April 11, 2024 (**handout**)
 - i. Majority approved; minutes approved.
- b. April 25, 2024 (**handout**)
 - i. Majority approved; one abstention. Minutes approved.

C. Announcements and Information

- a. Interim President's Report – V. Harper (**Time Certain: 10:05 AM**)
 - i. Reports:
 1. Events: President Harper attended the Pacific Islander Commencement Ceremony. Various affinity group commencement celebrations and

school celebrations will be taking place in the coming weeks as well as the Emeriti celebration.

2. President Harper has selected the recipients for the President's Outstanding Graduate and Outstanding Undergraduate of the University awards, which will be announced next week.
 3. Commencement Ceremonies: President Harper will be meeting with the cabinet regarding enhanced security measures for the upcoming commencement ceremonies. Possible enhancements include the addition of metal detectors, having students carry their regalia in as opposed to wearing it, and the enforcement of the bag policies. The discussion will be shared with the Commencement Committee and decisions will be made afterwards. Communication will be sent out once those decisions have been made.
 4. Open Forum/ Discussion:
 - a. Discussion ensued regarding the communication that will need to be sent out to students and their guests. Concerns voiced regarding the additional time delays because of these enhanced measures.
- b. GECCo Report – E. Montoya **(Time Certain: 10:15 AM) (handout)**
- i. Report: See attached slide deck and supporting documents.
 - ii. Open Forum/ Discussion:
 1. Interim Provost Rodriguez: Thanked Dr. Montoya for his leadership. Conversations regarding Cal-GETC with the school deans and Dr. Montoya will continue. The resources needed to implement these changes have been identified and he is ready allocate them as needed.
 2. Vice-Chair Danforth: The implementation deadline provided by the CSU Chancellor's Office is Fall 2025. These recommendations will be discussed and potentially adopted by the Academic Senate in the coming 2024-2025 academic year.
 3. Additional questions and concerns can be directed to Dr. Montoya and GECCo will discuss and address them as appropriate.
- c. FTLC Report – Informational only **(handout)** No discussion.
- d. UPRC Report – Informational only **(handout)** No discussion.

- e. Elections and Appointments – M. Danforth (**handout**)
 - i. Report: See handout. There is a second call in progress for the remaining appointed positions that closes Friday, May 10.
 - ii. Open Forum/ Discussion: Question raised about when individuals should be notified of their appointment. Chair Hegde confirmed that for appointments made by the Academic Senate Executive Committee, communications and letters for appointments will be sent out next week. The Senate will make the remaining appointments and recommendations to the Interim President and Interim Provost over the next week.

D. Approval of Agenda (**Time Certain: 10:03 AM**).

- a. Amendment to the agenda to include RES 232434. Amended agenda approved.

E. Reports

- a. Interim Provost's Report – J. Rodriguez
 - i. Report: Thanked the Senate and those completing their term for their service to the university. It is teacher appreciation week. They will be hosting a Faculty appreciation reception in the Albertsons Room at 2:00 PM today, May 9, 2024.
- b. ASCSU Report (tabled)
- c. Committee Reports: (Minutes from AAC, AS&SS, BPC and FAC posted on the Academic Senate webpage; Senate Log attached)
 - i. ASI Report – D. Alamillo
 - 1. Report: Transitioning between the outgoing board and incoming board. Erin Pruitt is the incoming ASI President. ASI will be finalizing the IRA applications and hope to have everything completed by the end of the week. ASI will be passing their Black Student Success Center resolution. Building Bridges on Campus event will be taking place today, May 9 at 11:30 AM. Chair Hegde thanked Senator Alamillo for her efforts this last academic year and wished her well at law school.
 - ii. Executive Committee – M. Danforth (deferred)
 - iii. Academic Affairs Committee (AAC) – D. Solano (**handout**) (deferred; see handout)
 - iv. Academic Support & Student Services Committee (AS&SS) – E. Correa (**handout**) (deferred; see handout)

- v. Budget and Planning Committee (BPC) – D. Wu (**handout**) (deferred; see handout)
- vi. Faculty Affairs Committee (FAC) – M. Rush (**handout**) (deferred; see handout)
- vii. Staff Report – J. Cornelison
 - 1. Report: Senator Cornelison reminded the body that advising appointments are upcoming and the importance of the 2024-2025 Catalog being published as soon as possible.

F. Resolutions (**Time Certain: 10:25 AM**)

- a. Consent Agenda
 - i. RES 232430 Commencement – Spring 2024
 - 1. Amended agenda approved. Motioned passed unanimously.
 - ii. RES 232434 Commendation of Senate Chair Dr. Aaron Hegde
 - 1. Amended agenda approved. Motioned passed unanimously.
- b. New Business
 - i. No items.
- c. Old Business
 - i. RES 232427 Discontinuation of the Minor in Organizational Studies – AAC (**handout**)
 - 1. Presented for second reading by Senator Solano. No changes were made after first reading.
 - 2. Resolution passed unanimously; motioned carried.
 - ii. RES 232428 Policy on Credit-Bearing Certificate Programs – AAC (**handout**)
 - 1. Presented for second reading by Senator Solano with changes made after first reading in red font.
 - 2. Resolution passed unanimously; motion carried.
 - iii. RES232432 Sabbatical Leave and Release Time – FAC (**handout**)
 - 1. Presented for second reading by Senator Zenko, Vice-Chair of FAC. No changes were made after first reading.
 - 2. Resolution passed unanimously; motioned carried.
 - iv. RES 232425 Academic Prioritization Policy – AAC and BPC (**handout**)
 - 1. Presented for second reading by Senator Solano with changes made after first reading in red font.
 - 2. Resolution passed; one abstention. Motion carried.

- v. RES 232431 Search and Screening Procedures for Administrators – BPC and FAC **(handout)**
 - 1. Presented for second reading by Senator Zenko, Vice-Chair of FAC. Changes made after first reading are in red font.
 - 2. Amendment proposed by Senator Wu regarding removing the sentence underlined in 309.3.
 - a. Amendment seconded by Senator Alamillo. Senator Zenko discussed the rationale behind the addition under 309.3. Interim President Harper spoke in support of Senator Wu’s suggested amendment due to challenges and potential for failed searches.
 - b. 309.3 Amendment to the resolution put to vote. Election Results: Language from 309.3 will be removed from the resolution.
 - 3. Resolution passed; motioned carried.

G. Open Forum **(Time Certain: 10:50 AM)**

- a. Senator Zenko and Senator Salisbury: CFA Meeting will take place 2:00 PM on Monday, May 13 in the ITVC in the library. Department reps are needed.
- b. Senator Michieka: Energy Transition and its effect in Kern County event to take place at 6:00 PM in the Solario de Fortaleza in the Student Recreation Center.
- c. Interim President Harper: Expressed appreciation for Senate Chair Hedge and ASI President Senator Alamillo’s outstanding leadership.

H. Faculty Recognition **(Time Certain: 10:55 AM)**

- a. Senate Chair Hedge: Thanked the senators and senate analyst for their service and expressed his pleasure and appreciation for working with retired President Zelezny, Interim President Harper, and Interim Provost Rodriguez.
- b. Senate Vice-Chair Danforth: RES 232434 Commendation of Senate Chair Dr. Aaron Hegde presented. Framed commendation, engraved gavel and plaque presented to Senate Chair Hegde.

I. Adjournment **(Time Certain: 11:00 AM)**

- a. Senate Chair Hegde adjourned meeting at 11:00 AM and welcomed incoming Senate Chair Danforth and Vice-Chair Solano.