



ASI Senate Meeting

Minutes

2013- 2014:11 Thursday, February 13, 2014, 3:00PM –5:00 PM, BSC, 2nd Floor, England Evans

I. PRELIMINARIES

A. Call to Order

1. Chair Joe Shashaty called Senate 2013-2014:11 to order at 3:01pm

B. Quorum Check

1. Voting Members:

Joe Shashaty, Vice President, Chair
Christine Hall, President
Jared Tolbert, Agriculture Senator
Jordan Gonzalez, Business Senator
Jai Oni Sly, CEIS Senator
Raquel Mercado, CLASS Senator
Brenda Magdaleno, CCHM Senator
Martin Mares, ENV Senator
Jasmine Andino, Engineering Senator
Obi Okafor, Science Senator
Louis Harfouche, Senator-At-Large (MCC)
T.J. Coggins, Senator-At-Large (SIC)
Nailah Zoi Givens, Senator-At-Large (Greek)
Colin Danahy, Senator-At-Large (IHC)

2. Advisors:

Dr. Rebecca Gutierrez Keeton, Advisor
Cora M. Culla, Executive Director

3. Non-voting Liaisons:

Johndaniel Morales, Attorney General
Alec Jaltorossian, Treasurer
Dr. J. Swartz, Academic Senate Rep. – **Sub: Dr. David Speak**
Vacant, Staff Council Rep.
Janeth Rodriguez, Alumni Association Rep.
Cristian Garcia, Bronco Athletics Assoc. Rep. – **Excused Absent**

C. Approval of Minutes

1. The minutes for the senate meeting on January 30, 2014 were approved by the chair as written

D. Pledge of Allegiance

E. Agenda Changes

1. The agenda was approved by the chair as written

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F. Financial Status – Given by Alec Jaltorossian (attachments)

1. ASI Total Revenue	\$ 5,218,281.00
2. ASI Total Expenses	\$ 3,312,348.00
3. Total Investments	\$ 7,989,954.00
ASI-Local Agency Investment Fund	\$ 3,188,651.00
BSC-Local Agency Investment Fund	\$ 4,801,303.00
4. ASI – NP & A Account Balance	\$ 184,052.00
5. ASI Prior Year's I Reserves	\$ 226,758.00
6. ASI Prior Year's II Reserves	\$ 146,005.00
7. ASI Prior Year's III Reserves	\$ 564,940.00
8. BSC On-Campus Reserves	\$ 1,657,219.00

G. Introduction of Guests

1. Powell Velasco	11. Brian Phan
2. Kim Duenas	12. Jose Garcia
3. Cathy Neale	13. Johnathan Jianu
4. Barny Peake	14. Ryan Smith
5. Shelbi Long	15. John Tran
6. Gilbert Sun	16. Alina Murillo
7. Ryan Bowers	17. Renee Tan
8. Miguel Galindo	18. Marten denBoer
9. Anthony Trevino	19. Claudia Pinter-Lucke
10. Giovanni Delgadillo	

H. Special Presentation

1. Academic Affairs Updates (attachments)

Presented by Marten denBoer, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

Time specific at 3:05pm

- a. Marten denBoer handed out copies of the *Semester Conversion Pledge to Students*, that he had talked about at the last Pizza with the Presidents, and a copy of *A Message from President J. Michael Ortiz*. He stated that he did not have a lot of new information about the conversion process to share with them, however they were committed to making this a seamless process for students who will be involved in the transition of quarters to semesters by experiencing both during their education. He added that he meant seamless to both time and cost.
- b. He noted that they were moving ahead to have the Academic Senate appoint faculty members to the Steering Committee and that they would be talking to Christine about the two student members as well
- c. He added that something that they had not discussed, that they may want to think about, was should there be students on some of the sub-committees that would do the actual work. He noted that the main policy setting body for this process was the Steering Committee, but for instance there was an advising committee that already had students serving on it and they may want to retain them on it.
- d. He stated that he and Claudia had been meeting with student groups and

were scheduled to meet with the rest of them in the next few weeks, in order to hear directly from students about their concerns and address them as best as they can

- e. He concluded that on the Cal Poly website there was a button for the conversion on the homepage and there was an opportunity there to submit questions which would go directly to Claudia who was very prompt in responding to them
- f. Claudia stated that some of the questions had resulted in adding to the Q & A that was on the website, particularly when there were a lot of questions on the same subject
- g. An extensive question and answer session took place
- h. Marten stated that he really appreciated all of the questions, as Claudia was taking notes, because there were questions that will arise and they wanted to be able to answer them to reassure everyone that things will be done fairly and properly

2. Academic Senate Updates

Presented by Dr. David Speak, Academic Senate Chair

Time specific at 3:50pm

- a. Dr. Speak explained that he would say things in two different categories, the first category as an elected official because, as chair of the Academic Senate, when you take over a leadership role you often give up your own agenda and your job is to keep things working which in his case was to make sure that the faculty have an important voice in the running of the university
- b. He stated that the university has always operated on the basis of shared governance, which means that the administration and the faculty share in the responsibility of deciding what's appropriate for the university to be doing. He added that for the most part their agendas overlap, the administration and the faculty were interested in the same thing, but the existence of the traditional shared governance was a reflection of the fact that their agendas at least don't always overlap precisely. He was aware of the sense, reinforced by some survey data, that students were largely opposed to the transition and he also noted that some students may have heard in their classes, from individual faculty members, complaints or concerns over converting.
- c. He stated that the Academic Senate leadership feels that the decision about conversion has been made. He noted that if he had the sense, as the chair of the Academic Senate, that the faculty were largely opposed to the conversion then it would not matter if somebody else made that decision or not because there would be protest. He added that the faculty was largely divided, with a small number who were very vocal and in support of quarters/opposed to the conversion and a small number in favor of semesters because their own disciplines were best served by that, and then a large number of folks who believed that there were advantages to quarters and to semesters and the cost benefit was not very clear one way or another.
- d. He explained that given the fact that the faculty was thus divided and it was also demonstrated three years ago, seven years ago and even 13 years ago when everyone talked about this, to go back to that conversation right now

would simply demonstrate the same fact, which was that the faculty was divided.

- e. Dr. Speak noted that since the Chancellor, although he had been reluctant to make a categorical statement in public, has made it very clear that he wants the campuses to convert. He added that the president at this institution has decided that we will convert with the support and recommendation of the Provost. He added that all of those facts mean that if the Academic Senate were to return to the debate, that you might as students want them to have about whether to convert or not, his sense was that it would result in them being marginalized as the process moved forward, as he felt that they were having a conversation about something that had already been decided.
- f. He explained that he felt it was his job, as part of the leadership of the senate, to make sure that they now get onboard with the conversion and that they do everything that they can to make sure that it works to the advantage of everybody in the system
- g. He added that part of the reason that the Steering Committee has been held up was that the Provost and the Senate have been negotiating about the shape of that committee. He complimented Provost denBoer in saying that he was a very faculty-oriented provost and explained that this strengthens the Provost's hand in university politics when he can, for instance, go to the vice presidents and president and say that he had the faculty demanding that there should be a majority of faculty members on the Steering Committee.
- h. He stated that the senate had put the "whether" reason behind them and was now engaged in the process of how to do this and it was a complicated business, the pledge was an aspirational goal and that planning in the real world, rather than in a room, was difficult. He gave several examples that included a department chair deciding about courses, the attachment of the system to the Graduation Initiative, the issues with grade forgiveness during the transition and that these were the kinds of questions that the Steering Committee would take up once it gets going. He hoped that many decisions would be made at the ground level by the departments who know their curriculum so well, even for instance if there will be an intersession, and some of these questions will even need to be answered at the campus-wide or university-wide level. He added that right now none of those questions had been answered and he believed the Steering Committee, which will have the majority of faculty on it, was the appropriate place to try and address those questions and get information from as many folks as they can.
- i. Dr. Speak concluded that the Academic Senate was approaching this as an important and complicated task that one needs to get involved with
- j. A question and answer session took place

I. Reports – Not given verbally – Posted on the SAN

- 1. ASI Executive Director – Cora M. Culla *(attachment)
 - a. BRIC Project Progress
 - b. Homecoming Weekend
 - c. Programs & Marketing
 - d. Bronco Fitness Center Repurposing Project

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- e. Human Resources
- f. Campus Recreation
- 2. ASI Advisor – Dr. Rebecca Gutierrez – no report
- 3. Academic Senate Rep. – Dr. J. Swartz - no report
- 4. Staff Council Rep. – vacant
- 5. Alumni Rep. – Janeth Rodriguez – no report
- 6. Athletics Rep. – Cristian Garcia – no report
- 7. Senator Pro Tempore – Jared Tolbert *(attachment)
 - Agriculture Senator
 - a. Strategic Plan
 - b. Shadowing
 - c. Green Week
 - d. Homecoming Reflection
 - e. Service Project Feedback
 - f. Ag Beautification
 - g. Pizza with the Dean
 - Senator Pro Tempore
 - a. ASI Key Policy
 - b. Service Project
 - c. Completed Committee
 - d. BEAT Updates
- 8. Attorney General – Johndaniel Morales – no report
- 9. Treasurer – Alec Jaltorossian – no report
- 10. President – Christine Hall – no report
- 11. Vice President – Joe Shashaty – no report
- 12. Senate Reports
 - a. Colin Danahy, Senator-at-Large, IHC *(attachment)
 - i. Homecoming
 - b. Jasmine Andino, Engineering Senator *(attachment)
 - i. E-Council Events
 - ii. Special Allocations
 - iii. Winter Newsletter
 - c. T. J. Coggins, Senator-at-Large, SIC *(attachment)
 - i. Council Updates
 - ii. Personal Updates
 - d. Jai Oni Sly, CEIS Senator *(attachment)
 - i. Happy Valentine’s Day
 - e. Obi Okafor, Science Senator *(attachment)
 - i. Care Packages for the Community
 - ii. Next Science Council Meeting Date
 - f. Nailah Zoi Givens, Senator-at-Large, Greek *(attachment)
 - i. Up ‘till Dawn
 - ii. Greek Week
 - iii. Next Greek Council Meeting Date
 - g. Martin Mares, ENV Senator *(attachment)
 - i. ENV Conference - February 27, 2014
 - ii. ENV Conference – Pre-Party (Social)

- iii. Space Activator – ASA
- iv. Revamp the Camp Competition
- v. Outcomes: Showcases Best Work of ENV Alumni
- h. Jordan Gonzalez, Business Senator *(attachment)
 - i. UBSS General Meetings
 - ii. Events
 - iii. Outreach
- i. Louis Harfouche, Senator-at-Large, MCC *(attachment)
 - i. Council Events – Come out and Support
 - ii. Strategic Planning
 - iii. Middle Eastern Culture Center
 - iv. Won the Grill!
- j. Brenda Magdaleno, CCHM Senator *(attachment)
 - i. National Society of Minorities in Hospitality Head to Nationals
 - ii. Career Day Expo
 - iii. General Meeting
- k. Raquel Mercado, CLASS Senator *(attachment)
 - i. Changing CLASS Council By-laws along with Strategic Planning
 - ii. Introduction of the Dean of CLASS
 - iii. CLASS Annual Banquet

J. Open Forum

1. T. J. Coggins – stated that he was affiliated with a Christian organization on campus called CRU and next Wednesday, Feb. 19th, at 7:00pm in Ursa Major they were having a short film festival designed to show short films that provoke thought in your belief system, regardless if you were Christian or something else, and it should be very educational.
2. Cora M. Culla – shared on behalf of the GAS team that the annual report for the fiscal year 2012-13 was out and it was designed to celebrate the 50th anniversary for ASI. She stated that Homecoming was an awesome event and a lot of people were part of the planning, implementation and staffing and she read aloud a complimentary card that a student had dropped off at her office. Lastly, they had posted information on the ASI Strategic planning in a folder on the SAN that reflected that they have now developed the task team structure which some of the senate would be invited to serve on, the charge of the task teams, as well as the timeline.
3. Gilbert Sun – stated that he was one of the moderators for Humans vs Zombies on campus and he gave a brief description of the event which was like a giant game of tag on campus. He showed stats from the Fall Quarter of 2013 and stated that they were looking for co-sponsors for donations and he outlined the levels. He noted that for more information he could be contacted at gilbertsun94@hotmail.com.

II. ACTION ITEM

A. Recommendation from the Finance Committee

1. American Marketing Association (AMA) \$5,500 NP & A
 - a. Louis made a motion to approve the request from the American Marketing Association for \$5,500 from the NP & A, seconded by Colin
 - b. There was no discussion, Joe called the vote: 12/0/0, motion passed

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Recommendations from the Finance Committee (attachments)

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| 1. Pi Kappa Phi | \$4,000 | NP & A |
| a. Johnathan Jianu, Miguel Galindo and Anthony Trevino, all introduced themselves as members of Pi Kappa Phi | | |
| b. Johnathan gave an overview and the history of the organization and added their awards and accomplishments as well as their community service and leadership. He also noted that their original budget request requested money for the mid-year conference, but on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, they were now applying to the Administrative Fund for that trip. | | |
| c. Miguel, as the Philanthropy Chairman, reviewed the philanthropy efforts of Pi Kappa Phi particularly, Give a Push Weekends, Journey of Hope and Ability First in Claremont | | |
| d. Anthony reviewed their involvement with Ability First and how rewarding and humbling the experience was to interact with the kids with disabilities during the bowling experience | | |
| e. Miguel reviewed their budget request to host a Pedal for Push event from March 11-13th | | |
| f. Johnathan reviewed line item 6 for the Supreme Chapter conference and their expenses | | |
| g. A brief question and answer session took place | | |
| 2. Enactus | | |
| a. Alina Murillo, President, and Renee Tan, Treasurer, introduced themselves and Alina gave a brief overview of their club on campus | | |
| b. Alina explained that their organization had received a grant from Walmart called the Women's Empowerment Project which empowers women to get back in the workforce and she reviewed other areas such as the Holiday House, Ethics Forum, Sam's Club Step-up and the Y.E.S. Summit | | |
| c. Renee reviewed the revenue and expenses for the Enactus National Competition taking place in Cincinnati, Ohio for 6 members and that they had fundraised \$5,500-\$6,000 on their own and would like a total of 12 members to go | | |
| d. A brief question and answer session took place and it was noted that there was revenue information missing from the budget request that should be included regarding the council contribution, fundraising and member contributions as well as the total number of members attending | | |
| 3. Formula Society of Engineers | | |
| a. Joe announced that due to time constraints, this club would be presenting at the next meeting | | |

Joe adjourned the regular session at 4:48pm to move to Executive Session

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IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. Action Item

1. The job description for the Associate Director for Programs was approved

B. Discussion Item

1. The updated Compensation Policy was discussed

V. ADJOURNMENT

A. Next Senate meeting will take place on Thursday, February 27, 2014, 3:00 – 5:00pm, in the England Evans room

B. Joe stated that senate meeting 2013-14:11 was adjourned at 5:00pm

MINUTES SUBMITTED TO:

Joe Shashaty, Chair of the Senate

Date

MINUTES APPROVED AT SENATE 2013-2014: _____

Vicki Jackson, Administrative Assistant

Date

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