CSU FACULTY SENATE MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, January 14, 2014 Library Auditorium

ATTENDANCE: Justin Akujieze, Elizabeth Arnott-Hill, Phillip Beverly, Robert Bionaz, Judith Birgen, Patrice Boyles, Sarah Buck, Monique Germain, Kathleen Haefliger, Rong Lucy He, Soo Kang, Azunge Kwembe, Ann Kuzdale, Crystal Laura, Ben Liu, Bryon Martin, S. Paintal, Brenda Pruitt-Anisette, William Jason Raynovich, Alesia Richardson, Virginia Shen, Douglas Thomson, Yashika Watkins, Chyrese Wolf

GUESTS: Philip Cronce, Pancho McFarland

I. CALL TO ORDER at 12:45

Phillip Beverly, presiding Meeting recorded by Elizabeth Arnott-Hill

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION	VOTE
That the minutes for the December 3, 2013 meeting are	Vote: Approved
approved.	Unanimous

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEC Meeting: February 5th, 2014 Provost Council: January 15th, 2014

Regular Senate Meeting: February 4th, 2014 Board of Trustee Meeting: March 7th, 2014

The new library representative informed the Senate of the passing of senator Dr. Lorraine Lazouskas. The Senate observed a moment of silence in her honor.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Buildings and Grounds: Dr. Jacobs

Dr. Jacobs reported that the next meeting will be held soon. She asked Senators to let her know if there are additional issues that should be raised at the meeting. The committee has submitted the tree campus grant.

The CSU Go Green proposal was sent to Dr. Beverly, and the committee would like the Faculty Senate to review and discuss supporting the proposal. Dr. Hall will circulate the proposal, and the Senate will vote on the proposal as an action item at the next meeting.

B. Library: Dr. Kuzdale

The committee will meet in the next two weeks. Dr. Kuzdale requested permission to invite Dr. Darga to the next Senate meeting. She will be responsible for extending the invitation.

C. EXCOM: Dr. Beverly

Dr. Beverly announced that student athlete GPA averaged 3.1, and Senators shared their positive experiences with student athletes.

Dr. Beverly estimated that 261 classes were cancelled this semester. He asked the body for discussion around a policy or recommendation for course cancellation. Dr. Buck expressed concern that the policy should originate from the administration. Mention is made of an "emergency" meeting that was called for undergraduate advisors. Dr. Raynovich was asked to give an informal report of the meeting to the Senate. He reported that, at the meeting, advisors were told that enrollment was down and that it needed to be addressed. Advisors were asked to try to enroll all previous students that had not enrolled this semester. It is noted that class cancellation and enrollment seem to be related. Various Senators express concern and a motion is called.

MOTION	VOTE
That the Senate submits a letter of concern about course	Vote: Approved
cancellation and a request for information about the course	Unanimous
cancellation policy.	
Motioned: Dr. Buck	
Seconded: Dr. Bionaz	

The interim dean of students and the dean of judicial affairs have been invited to the next Senate meeting.

Dr. Beverly sent six requests (based on action items from the November 21, 2013 Senate meeting) to HR, the Provost, and the President on 12/2/13. No one has responded to the requests, though the Provost promised a response within 48 hours. A reminder about these requests will be added to the course cancellation letter of concern.

One area of concern to which the administration has not responded is the Provost search. Dr. Beverly read the job ad and expressed concern over the lack of rigor in the requirements. The job ad appeared on Friday and the search firm hired was also announced. No one at the Senate meeting knew who was on the committee or who had input on the requirements detailed in the job ad. Dr. Beverly asked to submit a formal request to the president regarding an announcement of committee members. No objections were made.

The policy committee is scheduled to meet on 1/14. Dr. Raynovich was asked to inquire about the OCT training policy and the hiring policy.

D. Shared Governance: Dr. McFarland

The committee asked the Senate for a new committee "charge" given the recent issues with the administration.

Dr. Bionaz gave an overview of the current issues with the administration. The Senators discussed the various issues and their implications. There was additional discussion concerning next steps.

V. NEXT SENATE MEETING: February 4, 2014 from 12:30-2 PM, NAL Auditorium

VI. MEETING ADJOURNED: 2:05 PM by Phillip Beverly

Draft Grade Submission Statement: Academic Affairs Committee

The Academic Affairs Committee of the Faculty Senate wishes to reemphasize the importance and centrality of reporting student grades in a timely manner in service to our students and the University.

In the event of extraordinary illness, incapacity or other concerns, the department chair, in consultation with the faculty member, will work to resolve any outstanding grade within one calendar year of the grade's original due date.