



### **Meeting Minutes**

#### **Academic Senate**

Del Norte 1500

Tuesday, April 15, 2025

2:30-4:30pm

This meeting offers a virtual option through Zoom:

<https://csuci.zoom.us/j/81836938613>

Present: Alison Perchuk, Amy Denton, Annie White, Antonio Jiménez, Billy Munroe, Cameron Harris, Chris Scholl, Chuck Weis, Cindy Sherman, Colleen Forest, Cynthia County, E. Nicole Vines, Gareth Harris, Ivona Grzegorzczuk, Jaime Matera, Janet Pinkley, Jared Barton, Jeannette Edwards, Jose Alamillo, Jose Luis Callazo, Kevin Hayakawa, Kimmy Kee-Rose, Kristen Dobson, Lance Nolde, Lily Tamai, Manuel Correia, Mary Estrada, Maria Ballesteros Sola, Mary Adler, Matt Campbell, Monica Pereira, Monica Rivas, Nancy Deans, Neomie Congello, Peter Krause, Ron Berkowsky, Susan Lefevre, Tabitha Swan-Wood, Taryn Hakala, Theresa Avila, Tiina Itkonen, Tom Clobes, Weldon Smith, Christina Smith, Greg Wood, Jessica Lavariega Monforti, Clare Steele, Richard Yao, Gina Sanchez Gibau, Michelle Hasendonckx, Lina Neto, Phil Hampton, Jill Leafstedt

Proxies: Cameron Harris for Heather Castillo, Theresa Avila for Marianne McGrath, Maria Ballesteros Sola for Megan Kenny Fiester, Rebecca Slocum for Sean Kramer

Absent: Andrew Fox, Bahareh Abbassi, Brian Rasnow, Georgina Guzman, Andrea Grove, Jennie Luna, Eboni Ford Turnbow, Barbara Rex, Maria Elena Plaza, Ritchie LeRoy, Ernesto Guerrero, Susan Andrzejewski, Spencer Clark, Luis Sanchez

Guest(s): Melissa Soenke, Donna Flores, Jennifer Raymond, Chiara Lamb, Barbara Cullin

#### **1. Opening the Meeting**

- a. Meeting called to order at 2:36pm, after determining quorum.

#### **2. President's Report - President Yao reporting**

Admitted Dolphin Day success: all academic programs represented, along with clubs, student organizations and student services. The scholarship giveaway and build-a-dolphin activity were both highly impactful. The program moved better compared to previous years. Hearing that dining logistics and crowd management did not meet expectations. Student survey and campus stakeholder survey being sent out.

Enrollment Update: initial data points promising. Implemented changes to the student onboarding system, with less steps for students.

Budget workforce: hoping to finalize Early Exit plans with unions soon.  
Mackenzie Scott dollars: money being set aside to support existing programs.

Discussion Summary:

President Yao estimates that potential layoff notices will be given 2-3 weeks after the Early Exit plan rolls out. There is no set date yet, but he is hoping the latest date would be the start of summer.

The initial enrollment deadline is May 1, at that time we will have more enrollment numbers. Deadline for enrollment has been extended.

3. Approval of the Agenda
  - a. M/S/P to amend agenda by moving item 7a. Senate Resolution on Bylaws and Constitution (New Business) to 6a. (Returning Business).
  - b. M/S/P to approve amended agenda.
4. Approval of the Minutes from April 1, 2025
  - a. M/S/P to amend minutes in item 5c. The minutes should be updated to reflect that the draft webpage goes to Senate Executive Committee for feedback, not for approval.
  - b. M/S/P to adopt amended minutes.
5. Report from the Chair
  - a. [Chair report](#) is available on Canvas.

Admitted Dolphin Day: thank you to those of you who participated!

Searches: Faculty Director of Learning Communities – refer to email from Veronica Guerrero for Zoom forums. Provost – forums ongoing this week, great turnout for faculty forum yesterday, 50 people attended.

APPC Announcement – GE Mission Pillar: APPC was asked to take up the issue of removing the multicultural graduation requirement. Brown Bag info on Canvas.

Other Resolutions passed by CFA and ASUSU: looking to this body for feedback on what we would like to pass as resolutions.

Resolution from History Dept.: noting there is a newer version, with a student letter at the end.

End of Semester: hold May 13<sup>th</sup> as a possible Zoom meeting date to wrap up business.
6. Returning Business
  - a. **Senate Resolution on Bylaws and Constitution**
    - i. M/S to adopt Senate Resolution on Bylaws and Constitution
    - ii. Alison presented the Resolution. She shared that there were no attendees to either Brown Bag but received some feedback via email. This resolution allows this body to vote on the constitution. Vote tallies will be given as information in the voting process for voting faculty. Because the resolution and constitution documents are linked, both must be approved or neither will go forward.
    - iii. Discussion Summary (Resolution):

Questions raised on whether approving the resolution means you approve the constitution.

1. M/S/P to change Resolution as follows: in the first BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, the word “approve” replaced with “shall vote on”.
  - iv. Motion to adopt passes by unanimous consent.
  - b. Bylaws and Constitution
    - i. M/S to adopt Constitution.
    - ii. Alison presented the document and went over track changes.
      1. M/S to amend constitution item 1.7c as follows: after No Confidence add (Requires a vote inclusive of all faculty).
        - a. Discussion Summary:  
 Chuck and Tiina shared rationale for having an all-faculty vote is to make sure NTTF has a voice.  
 Rebecca raised a concern that this motion would be taking away voting rights from non-faculty senators.  
 Ivona raised a concern for potential situations where there would be a vote of No Confidence for a Dean of a specific school, whether it would be appropriate for all faculty to vote on it or just the specific school faculty.  
 Christina shared that this is not done at other CSUs and would be unique to CI, and further it diminishes the role of Senate. Trust needs to be built from departments to their Senate representatives.  
 Greg raised a question about if this will be a dual vote, where Senate votes and faculty votes. Alison brought up concerns about a dual vote and posed an option to reorganize 1.7 and make 1.8 votes that go to all faculty and potentially Staff Council.
        - b. M to call the question. Senate Chair does not accept motion.
        - c. Motion to pass by unanimous consent was objected. Motion goes to a vote.
        - d. Vote: 16 Y / 26 N / 5 A, motion does not pass.
      2. M/S to table the Constitution until the next Senate meeting and send it back to the AEBC to discuss language around a vote of No Confidence.
        - a. Motion to pass by unanimous consent was objected. Motion goes to a vote.
        - b. Vote: 3 Y / 39 N / 5A, motion does not pass.
- Action: Alison will discuss this issue (vote of No Confidence including an all-faculty vote) with AEBC next year and tackle it then.
- iii. Motion to adopt the Constitution by unanimous consent was objected. Motion goes to a vote.
  - iv. Vote: 46 Y / 0 N / 0 A. Motion passes.
  - c. Bylaws and Constitution

- i. M/S to adopt Bylaws.
  - ii. Alison presented the document and went over track changes. Alison shared rationale for meeting time change: current timeslot poses issues with child pickups, and it interferes with multiple teaching blocks. When the time slot was attempted to be changed previously, Friday was an option, but it ended up being the least popular. The new time proposed is Mondays 10-11:50AM. The change will start next Spring semester. Having a specific time to meet is helpful for everyone to plan. She shared a change to language that allows Senate to decide at the end of each term if they want to meet every other week or every third week. In addition, after meeting with HR, she added in clear conflict of interest language.
  - iii. Discussion Summary (Bylaws):  
Ivona and Jose Luis brought up concerns about the new proposed time, and how it doesn't fit in the schedule template.  
Susan brought up a concern that Learning Communities classes are taught in the new proposed time block, which are largely taught by NTTF.  
Tabitha, Christina and Nancy support this change, noting that it is helpful for parents and with enough notice, you can request a non-conflicting schedule with your Chair.
  - iv. Motion to pass by unanimous consent was objected. Motion goes to a vote.
  - v. Vote: 44 Y / 2 N / 0 A, motion passes.
  - vi. M/S to extend the meeting by 20 minutes.
  - vii. Motion withdrawn.
  - d. Program Review Policy - not discussed
  - e. [B.A. in Black Studies, Raquel Baker](#) - not discussed
  - f. Resolution in Support of Instruction - not discussed
  - g. SAPP Dean's List Policy - not discussed
- 7. New Business
  - a. ~~Senate Resolution on Bylaws and Constitution \*\*\* (see attached — please note we intend to move this to a Returning Business item)~~
- 8. Intent to Raise Questions
- 9. Reports (full reports available via Canvas) - no reports due to time
  - a. [Report from Interim Provost Lavariega Monforti](#)
  - b. Report from Statewide Senators
  - c. Report from CFA President
  - d. Report from Staff Council
  - e. Report from NTTF Council
  - f. Report from ASI
  - g. Reports from Senate Committees
    - i. Appointments, Elections, and Bylaws (AEBC)

- ii. Academic Policy and Planning (APPC)
- iii. Senate Budget (SBC)
- iv. Equity and Anti-Racism (CEAR)
- v. Faculty Affairs (FAC)
- vi. Student Academic Policies and Procedures (SAPP)
- vii. Others

10. Adjourn

- a. M/S/P to adjourn the meeting at 4:27pm.

Submitted by Taryn McHugh, Senate Support Staff.