



**ACADEMIC SENATE
MINUTES
May 6, 2021**

ASD 21-72
Approved 5-20-21

11:30 AM - 12:50 PM

Zoom

Present: Badal, Barber, Barros, Biesiada, Brown, Bruce, Brusckke, Casem, Childers, Choi, Dabirian, David, Fidalgo, Filowitz, Forsgren, Ghosh, Gillespie, Gnanlet, Gradilla, Graewingholt, Jarvis, Jefferies, Kanel, Linares, Lucas, Matz, Meyer, Miller, Nair, Perez, Reneau, Self, Sheehan, Stambough, Stohs, C. Thomas, E. Thomas, Valdez, Virjee, Walker, Walsh, Woo, Wood, Wynants, Zarate

Absent: McLain, Shoar, Walicki

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Stambough called the meeting to order at 11:30 AM.

II. URGENT BUSINESS

No urgent business.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

No announcements.

IV. TIME APPROXIMATE

12:00 PM - 12:10 PM

Subject: Planning, Resource, & Budget Committee Update - Spring 2021

Presenter: Maria Estela Zarate, PRBC Chair

Maria Estela Zarate gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Planning, Resource, & Budget Committee Update. Before the presentation, she thanked the member of the PRBC Committee for their service on the committee this year. The PowerPoint presentation consisted of slides covering the following:

- Year in Review
- Program Proposals Reviewed
- New School & Institute
- Presentation Topic Identification
- Presentations
- Memo Writing
- Short-term Priorities (in the process)
- Long-term Priorities (in process)

12:20 PM - 12:50 PM

Topic: Fiscal State of the University - Spring 2021

Presenter: President Virjee

President Virjee gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Fiscal State of the University; the slides covered the following:

- Governor's Multi-Year Budget Plan
- FY 2020-21 Operating Fund Budget
- FY 2020-21 Budget Consolidated (\$556.1M)
- FY 2020-21 Q3 Financial Performance
- FY 2020-21 Core Operating Funds (Thru Q3)
- FY 20-21 and 19-20 Expenditures
- The fiscal Year 2021-22 Budget Update
- CSU's Budget Proposal for FY 2021-22
- Governor's Budget Proposal for FY 2021-22 Recurring Funds
- Governor's Budget Proposal for FY 2021-22 One-Time Funds
- COVID / HEERF (Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund) Update
- CARES Act (HEERF I)
- Uses of CARES (HEERF I) Institutional
- CRRSAA (HEERF II)

➤ CRRSAA (HEERF II) Institutional uses

➤ ARPA (HEERF III)

The President thanked the Academic Senate, the PRBC, our vice presidents, deans, all of the faculty, staff, and students around our community who are working so hard to help the university navigate through this, keep our belts tightened, and ensure every last penny is maximized for the greatest good of our students and university.

Q: (Wood) Any hints about long-term strategy? How can faculty and students work together to support pushing this forward? I know how much you care about this. How can we help? What's the long-term plan?

A: (President) We have a new Chancellor who just walked out of the President's office at a campus where the demographics aren't a lot different than ours. They may have it tougher at Fresno concerning kids from underserved communities. So, he understands this issue, and I have had significant deep conversations with him about it. We are, I believe, at least compared to any place we've been in over the last four years since we've been working on this together. We are in a better place than we have ever been. That is the result of a confluence of events. A new Chancellor helps, but it is also what Academic Senate just did publicly. It is also what our Legislators are doing and what our Orange County community is doing. So, I am cautiously optimistic.

The first thing we need is acknowledgment. Up to this point, we have never received an admission that this was unfair. If we accomplish that acknowledgment, then we can start saying, now you admitted it's unjust, what are you going to do to change it, and how will we change it.

We are also doing something new. We are talking a little bit more about enrollment management across the system. The system's been talking to the campuses about managing your enrollment, you got a target, and you are over your target. Many campuses are under their target, and they are getting resources even though they are under their target. We are saying to the system that we have to manage our enrollment, but so do you. So, let's look at these targets the have not been adjusted in a long time. You just keep giving the exact percentages to everyone. Let's talk about realigning those enrollment targets. We are the only CSU in Orange County, and they have nowhere place to go but us. We have the targets established a long time ago when we were at a different campus. We'll manage our over-enrollment better if you give us more realistic targets. If those targets were to be adjusted, that would completely change the mix in how we are relatively funded on a per people basis.

Chair Stambough informed the Senate that we would roll the speakers list over to the Marathon meeting to continue with questions on the budget.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5.1 ASD 21-55 Academic Senate Minutes 4-22-21 (Draft) - *forthcoming*

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Calendar approved by acclamation.

6.1 ASD 21-62 PRBC New Program Proposals - Spring 2021

6.2 ASD 21-63 Revisions to UPS 265.000 Grant-Related Specially-Funded Instructional Faculty Appointment

removed

~~6.3 ASD 21-64 Revisions to UPS 410.200 Program Performance Review Policy~~

VII. CHAIR'S REPORT

[1-page report](#)

VIII. PROVOST REPORT

[2-page report](#)

Q: (Gradilla) Any information about the success of our faculty searches?

A: (Provost) Faculty searches seem to be going quite well. The updates that I have from the different deans in the regular process have been recruiting fantastic faculty, exciting expertise that they are bringing in. We see diversification of field expertise, which I think is exciting.

On Monday, I will be meeting with the deans, and we will look with Kristin Stang at the comprehensive searches, where we are at, and what we have achieved this far. We do have a couple outstanding, but I think we will then be able to have a report we can share on the results of this year's faculty searches.

Q: (E. Thomas) I'm concerned that we will see an increase in band states listed on AB 1887 if what happens is that across these 33 states with more than 100 pieces of Anti-trans legislation being proposed will increase that list. Ironically at the moment, Covid is minimizing that concern for my program. I am the Intercollegiate Debate Team director, and our national organizations have been committed to essentially continuing virtual participation until the Covid crisis settles down. But after that, I'm wondering if the administrators can clarify what our position is going to be?

What I saw happen before Covid is I was told that we could travel on foundation money. But I am worried this will create a structural inequity for those programs and even faculty members that need to get to conferences where the foundation and private money exists versus state funds. It's a tricky question because I know we cannot do much regarding the actual existence, the state Legislation. I am curious if there have been any conversations, even advocacy, or clarification to possibly communicate to the State that he will minimize opportunities for our students and faculty and create accessibility issues for high-impact practices.

A: (Provost) On Monday, I am going to be having a conversation with the deans, and that will give me a chance to look at one thing that I knew I needed to ask about, based on some feedback from this week and that is where are we at with funding for travel. It is one thing to say the CO has changed some of the guidelines, and how will we implement those? What is the permission to travel? But then, what are the resources to travel? Your question is well-timed.

I think there are two levels of questions. I can take this to the Provost group that meets with the CO on general guidance and perhaps a little predictive help in where we are with those rules and regulations about band states for travel. And then locally, how do we address that? What does it look like across the colleges?

- (President) I believe the pressure will mount, and as we come out of Covid and we begin to travel more, this will become an issue that the Legislature will have to deal with because foundation dollars will no longer be able to support at the same level because the number of band states is increasing.

IX. STATEWIDE ACADEMIC SENATE REPORT

No report.

X. ASI REPORT

[2-page report](#)

XI. CFA REPORT

[3-page report](#)

XII. NEW BUSINESS

12.1 ASD 21-45 Revisions to UPS 320.020 - University Writing Requirements

M/S/P (Perez/Bruce) Motion to approve ASD 21-45 Revisions to UPS 320.020 - University Writing Requirements. Motion passed as amended.

- (Bruschke) Line 180: Add the wording University Writing Proficiency. Considered friendly.

12.2 ASD 21-52 Revisions to UPS 330.164 - Posthumous Degree and Recognition

M/S/P (Kanel/Walsh) Motion to approve ASD 21-52 Revisions to UPS 330.164 - Posthumous Degree and Recognition. Motion passed.

12.3 ASD 21-56 Revision to UPS 100.001 - Academic Senate Bylaws

M/S/P (Kanel/Walker) Motion to approve ASD 21-56 Revision to UPS 100.001 - Academic Senate Bylaws. Motion passed by acclamation.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Before adjournment, Chair Stambough recognized and thanked our CSU Senator Mark Stohs for all his work and dedication and his service as Senate Chair last year as we entered the Pandemic. Chair Stohs asked Senator Stohs to adjourn the meeting.

M/S/P (Stohs/Dabirian) Meeting adjourned at 12:55 PM.