

**Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes - Approved**  
**December 7, 2023, 2:00 pm**  
**Zoom**

**1. Call to Order**

Faculty President Neubauer called the meeting to order at 2 pm.

**2. Roll Call**

Secretary of the Faculty Senate Yoko Mimura called the roll. Senators not present were: Tim Black, Terry Davila (excused), Abel Franco, Akash Gupta, Nafiseh Khoram, Christine LaMonica (excused), Rika Meyer (excused), Theresa Montaña, Ali Pakzad (excused), Cynthia Rawitch (excused), Stevie Ruiz

**3. Approval of the Minutes of November 9, 2023**

The Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes for November 9, 2023 were approved.

**4. Announcements**

Faculty President Neubauer announced he attended the Statewide Senate Chairs meeting. It was announced at the meeting that the Chancellor's Office will implement a single GE pathway for all transfer students at all 23 campuses.

Faculty Vice President White announced the annual Faculty Retreat will not be held in January this year. Hosting the retreat at a later date will allow the planning committee to rest and enjoy winter break.

Faculty Vice President White motioned to adjourn the Faculty Senate meeting. The motion did not pass.

**5. Provost's Report – Meera Komarraju**

Provost Komarraju shared:

- a. appreciation for the faculty members and all the work they do for our students.

- b. she met with the Association of Retired Faculty.
- c. she attended an all-Provost meeting where they discussed AB 928 and common GE.
- d. overall CSU enrollment is down by 4.5% but CSUN had an increase in enrollment.
- e. on November 14<sup>th</sup> the Provost Office hosted a GI 2025 event to identify gains and areas for future focus including retention and equity gaps. The event showcased best practices including University 100 course and supplemental instructional in chemistry.
- f. NACADA visited campus to review advising with a focus on the Hub as part of an initiative from the Chancellor's office.
- g. the process for hiring the first college level director of advising is underway. More advisors will be hired in areas with surging enrollment.
- h. Dr. Watkins, Dr. Lazarony, and she met with three local community college leaders who asked for opportunities for collaboration such as flexible term length to accommodate target student populations.
- i. CSUN will host an Explore CSUN event for admitted students. Provost Komarraju encouraged senators to think about what we can do to increase yield.
- j. she attended a recent presentation by EAB to learn how to engage student.
- k. there is an increase in first year student applications and a decline in transfer applications for Fall 2024.
- l. PMG consulting submitted comments and suggestions to President Beck.

Senators expressed concerns about the hospitality form.

## **6. Resolution Item - [Spring 2024 Leave Resolution](#)**

MSP to approve leave.

## **7. Statewide Academic Senate Report - Elizabeth Sussman-Dabach, Senior Statewide Academic Senator**

Senator Sussman-Dabach shared first reading resolutions and encouraged senators to provide feedback. Common GE was not discussed at the November plenary meeting.

Senator Swenson shared the Board of Trustees presented various views on GE and the decision will be made by the Board of Trustees.

#### **8. Associated Students President's Report - Paige Hajiloo**

President Hajiloo shared:

- a. student engagement is high. Town Hall meetings have had great attendance.
- b. she is offering student feedback as a Chief of Police search committee member.
- c. students enjoyed Commuter Week. This event was provided in collaboration with the Police department.
- d. there is a resolution underway to ensure students are updated on CFA and varying minimum wage for student positions.
- e. Associated Students is looking for a new Director of Associated Students. The current director is retiring.

#### **9. CFA Report - Nate Thomas, CFA Northridge Chapter President**

CFA Northridge Chapter President Thomas shared CFA was in the middle of a strike with national media coverage. In response to the strike, CFA has been asked to go back to the bargaining table. CFA Northridge Chapter President Thomas encouraged senators to keep any eye on their email during the break for updates.

Senators inquired about the selection of the bargaining team and the Teamster strike.

#### **10. Teaching Effectiveness Taskforce - Suzi Spear**

Senator Spear gave an overview on the taskforce's formation. The main goal of the taskforce is to reform teaching effectiveness. The team began by identifying key dimensions of teaching effectiveness and created a student learning experience survey. The taskforce plans to host a town hall during the spring semester.

**11. Policy Item - Graduate Studies Committee, Danielle Spratt, Chair; Amy Levin, Assistant Vice President, Graduate Studies**

First Reading:

- a. [Policy on Credit Certificates](#)

**12. Policy Items – Personnel Planning and Review Committee, Sylvia Macauley, Chair; Diane Guido, Associate Vice President, Faculty Affairs**

First Reading:

- a. [Preamble to Section 600 & 700](#)
- b. [DEI Language in Section 600](#)
- c. [603.9.2 Performance Standards & Monitoring](#)

Second Reading:

- a. [672.4 Sabbatical Leave Report](#)
- MSP to approve the policy.
- b. [612.4.1 College Level Personnel Committee](#)

MSP to approve the policy.

**13. New Business**

There was no new business.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:16 pm.

Submitted by: Yoko Mimura, Secretary of the Faculty, and Gabriela Pelayo, Faculty Senate Office Manager