

Tuesday, October 27, 2015, 3:00-5:00 pm, Goodwin Forum (NHE 102)

Chair Noah Zerbe called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm on Tuesday October 27, 2015 Goodwin Forum, Nelson Hall East, Room 102; a quorum was present.

**University Senate Delegate, Graciela Chipres, was formally seated and welcomed.**

**Members Present**

Abell, Alderson, Blake, Burkhalter, Camann, Chipres, Creadon, Dunk, Eschker, Flynn, Gold, Guzman, Kalikow, Karl, Lopes, K. Malloy, N. Malloy, McGuire, Moyer, Ortega, Pence, Rossbacher, Stubblefield, Thobaben, Tillinghast, Wilson, Wrenn, Zerbe

**Members Absent**

Cervantes, Kardjova, Meyer

**Guests**

Ken Ayoob, Jená Burges, Rick Zechman

**Announcement of Proxies**

Guzman for Cervantes, Wrenn for Kardjova, Burkhalter for Meyer

**Approval of and Adoption of Agenda**

M/S (Flynn/Creadon) to approve and adopt the agenda  
Motion approved unanimously

**Approval of Minutes from the October 13, 2015 Meeting**

M/S (Dunk/K. Malloy) to approve the Minutes of the October 13, 2015 meeting  
Motion approved without dissent, 2 abstentions

**Reports, Announcements and Communications of the Chair**

- Written report attached

**Reports of Standing Committees, Statewide Senators, and Ex-officio Members**

Academic Policies Committee:

- APC is currently working on an Impaction Policy and a revised Syllabus Policy.

Appointments and Elections Committee:

- Written report attached

AEC Chair added:

- A Call for nominations will be put out to fill two faculty openings on the newly established University Policies Committee.

Associated Students:

- Appointments to the Board of Finance were made during the last AS Council meeting.

California Faculty Association:

- Opportunity for faculty to vote on the proposed strike is currently taking place; faculty may cast their vote until 5:00pm on Wednesday, 10/28. Additionally, on Wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup>, CFA will be conducting an informational picket.

Faculty Affairs Committee:

- Written report attached

Integrated Curriculum Committee:

- Written report attached

Labor Council:

- Union representatives are in discussions about how a faculty strike would affect other campus employee unions.

Statewide Senate:

- The ASCSU Statewide Committee and Plenary meetings will be taking place in Long Beach November 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>.

Student Affairs:

- HSU will be welcoming around 300, mostly local, students for Fall Admissions on Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>.
- November 5<sup>th</sup> is the 41<sup>st</sup> Annual American Indian College Motivation Day. Nearly 400 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students from our local and neighboring tribal communities will be visiting campus on that day.

University Resources and Planning Committee:

- The URPC met on October 23<sup>rd</sup>; the committee continues their work on strategic budgeting.

President Rossbacher made the following announcements:

- The Provost Search is ongoing.

- Enrollment targets for 2016/17 have been estimated. Enrollment Growth funding from the Governor may only be 1%. With enrollment beyond capacity, discussions with the Chancellor's Office about additional money and tools available to manage enrollment growth are taking place.

**Consent Calendar from the Integrated Curriculum Committee (ICC)**

The attached ICC Consent Calendar was approved without objection.

**Resolution to Allow Designees as Proxies for Ex-officio Senators in Bylaws (10-15/16-CBC – October 27, 2015)**

First Reading

M/S (Abell/Ortega) to move the resolution

Currently, Senate Bylaws stipulate that only Senators can serve as a proxies for absent Senators. Absent Ex-officio Senators may be better represented by a designee who is familiar with their duties and who has been chosen to carry out the Senator's responsibilities.

After a very brief discussion, it was decided that the resolution will return to the Senate in two weeks for a Second Reading.

**DISCUSSION ITEM: Draft Resolution on an Impaction Policy**

The Academic Policies Committee requested feedback from the Senate regarding the drafting of an Impaction Policy for impacted programs.

A vast discussion ensued regarding enrollment growth and how the influx of students, in the absence of additional resources, has affected impacted programs; current circumstances have led to an inability to fulfill the obligation set forth by the CSU - to encourage and provide access to an excellent education to all who are prepared for and wish to participate in collegiate study.

The following points were discussed:

- Increasing department level control to make improvements
- placing limits on enrollment
- lack of tenure-line faculty and/or qualified instructors
- course impaction and its effect on graduation rates
- a decline in the ability to provide a quality education

- weakening of the student learning outcome
  - implementing change to the current practice for declaring a major
  - advising concerns
  - applying strict criteria for continuation in a particular major
  - concerns with placing limits that would not allow flexibility to change majors
  - how a policy change would affect non-impacted departments
  - looking at strategies that have been used by other campuses
  - finding balance in program and program size
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**Meeting adjourned: 4:22pm**

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## Senate Chair's Report

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October 27, 2015

I attended the meeting of Campus Senate Chairs in Long Beach on October 8. Our agenda focused primarily on the status of presidential searches underway this year in the system (Channel Islands, Chico, San Jose State, and Sonoma State), and the desire for greater transparency in the search process. We also spent considerable time discussing the Financial Sustainability Task Force report with Executive Vice Chancellor Steve Relyea. I conveyed the concerns that had previously been expressed by the Senate to ASCSU Chair Steven Filling during his visit to campus last month.

The strategic planning process is moving forward, with the key priorities for the current academic year being reviewed by Oversight Committee shortly. The process has involved discussions both at the division and all-university levels. A more formal announcement should be forthcoming in the near future.

Finally, I'd like to express my thanks to Julie Alderson for chairing the last Senate meeting (and the Senate Executive meeting before that). I've heard from all that she did an exemplary job... And it's good to confirm—as I've always suspected—that I'm totally replaceable! Thanks Julie!

# **HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY**

## **University Senate Written Reports Standing Committees, Statewide Senators and Ex-officio Members**

**October 27, 2015**

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### **Faculty Affairs Committee**

The Faculty Affairs Committee met on Friday, 23 October at 8:00 in NHE 119.

We discussed the idea of bringing forward a resolution on Freedom of Academic Expression. The Committee believes that this is a conversation it would be good for the campus to have. We will bring this issue to SenEx for consideration.

We also discussed Appendix J as it pertains to Supplemental Binders and the electronic RTP process. We have decided to table this item for now, and consider updates to Appendix J next year, the last to include physical binders for RTP. The language will need to be updated re: the new fully electronic process.

Finally, we discussed the functioning and election of members to the UFPC. We will reach out to current and former members of the committee as we continue to consider suggested changes for the future.

The IP policy is still under discussion. Many of our proposed revisions will be related to the policy passed last year at Chico.

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### **Integrated Curriculum Committee**

The ICC continues working on:

- Curriculum Proposals.
  - Revisions to the PREP process and WASC Core Competency Assessment.
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### **Appointments and Elections Committee**

The Appointments and Elections Committee received a number of interested nominees for the vacant committee positions by appointment. AEC reviewed those nominations and made the following appointments:

- GEAR Curriculum and Assessment  
Hari Singh, CPS Faculty Representative, 3-yr term
- Service Learning/Academic Internships Advisory Committee  
Erin Kelly, CNRS Faculty Representative, 2-yr term
- Student Fee Advisory Committee  
Han-Sup Han, Faculty Representative, 2-yr term
- International Programs Screening Committee  
Brian McElwain, Faculty Counselor, 3-yr term  
Mary Virnoche, Faculty Representative, 2-yr term
- Parking and Transportation Committee  
Justus Ortega, Faculty Representative, 1-yr term  
Brian Post, Faculty Representative, 1-yr term

Successful nominations were received/appointed for all committee vacancies except the Faculty Affairs Committee. There is still one open faculty seat for the At-Large Member (2-yr term), which will remain vacant until spring unless a nomination is received sooner. There will also be a call for nominations sent out shortly for the two faculty vacancies on the newly established University Policies Committee (UPC).

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14-308

Forestry Major - Eliminate the choice of BIOL 105 or BOT 105 and required all Forestry majors to take BOT 105 - because Forestry students study plants. Also, through 14-311 the program is reducing FOR 365 (a core course) by 1 lab unit (was C-2 for 2 units and C-16 for 2 units).

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14-311

FOR 365: Forest Economics and Finance. Reducing units from 4 to 3 in order to reduce the Forestry core. Faculty agree that 1 unit of lab and 2 units of lecture is adequate. FOR 311 (Forest Mensuration & Growth) is currently an unenforced prerequisite and the department wishes to change it to be an unenforced co-requisite in order to help students move through the degree more quickly. Description will go from: "recommended course preparation FOR 311" to "recommended concurrent enrollment in FOR 311".

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14-326

**ENGLISH WRITING PRACTICES CONCENTRATION PROGRAM CHANGE**

The Department wishes to add ENGL 450 Tutoring Developing Writers to the list of class options which students in this concentration can take.

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14-347

**PSCI 359 California Government**

The department says that this American Institutions course does not cover material in enough depth to warrant an upper division designation and would therefore like to change the number from 359 to 159.

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14-348

**POLITICAL SCIENCE MINOR Program Change**

Department wants to delete PSCI 210 (course is being suspended, see 15-016) and PSCI 485: Capstone Seminar and replace the courses by adding 4 units to the required electives. This leaves the total number of units the same. The department says that minors lack sufficient course preparation to do well in the capstone.

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14-349

**PSCI 410 American Constitutional Law**

The department wants to add the following prerequisites--PSCI 110 or PSCI 159 [see 14-347], --because they say that the material covered in the class is not understood by students who come in without prior preparation. They do want to keep the institutions requirement for the course so that student who come in having met the requirements without fulfilling the California Government part have the option of taking this course.

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15-016

**PSCI 210 Intro to US Politics Course Change Form**

The department proposes to suspend the course as they feel that it is not needed since most majors have already acquired this information through the fulfillment of the American Government institutions requirement and are therefore prepared for upper division courses.

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15-017

**POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR Program Change**

The department proposes removing PSCI 210 from the core program and suspending it (15-016) because they say most majors already have appropriate preparation by fulfilling the American Government institutions requirement. They then want to add three units to the upper division elective requirements raising them from 17 to 20 though the overall units for the major remain the same. The department feels this will give them greater exposure to writing and oral communication skills.

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15-021

GSP: 510: Research Methods in Geospatial Science - new course - 2 units C-5 and 1 unit C-16. This new course serves grad students who need beginning Geospatial and GIS skills. The course is roughly-

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equivalent to GSP 101 and 270 combined, but moves at a much faster pace (because grad students are more experienced learners and because grad courses expect a greater amount of out-of-class work). Grad students who complete this course will then be able to continue their GIS education with GSP 370: Intermediate GIS. (See related proposal 15-176)

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15-158

SOC 372: Proseminar - change course exclusions to exclude only Freshmen. (Previously, they excluded both Freshmen and Seniors, but some transfer students need the course - thus the change.)

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15-159

SOC 482: Internship - revise pre-reqs to enable both SOC and CRIM students' coursework to demonstrate preparedness for the course.

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15-160

SOC 492: Senior Thesis - revise pre-reqs to enable both SOC and CRIM students' coursework to demonstrate preparedness for the course.

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15-163

ENST 395: Environmental Studies Research & Analysis - add ENST 295 as a pre-req to ensure that students have the necessary background for the course. Revised course description.

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15-165

MUS 107V: Madrigal Singers - change from 1-2 units to just 1 unit because students are not doing enough work to earn 2 units. Also, only one unit counts towards the degree.

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15-166

MUS 406F: Mad River Transit - change from 1-2 units to just 1 unit because students are not doing enough work to earn 2 units. Also, only one unit counts towards the degree.

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15-167

MUS 407V: Madrigal Singers - change from 1-2 units to just 1 unit because students are not doing enough work to earn 2 units. Also, only one unit counts towards the degree.

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15-168

TA 121: Makeup for Stage and Screen - change C-class from 1 unit C4 and 1 unit C12 to 2 units C12 in order to reflect the way the course is actually taught and scheduled.

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15-172

WS 303: Third World Women's Movements - change course title to Anticolonial Women's Movements and revise course description to reflect current terminology in use in the field

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15-173

Women's Studies minor - drop RS 300: Living Myths from the list of electives because the current course content does not meet the Women's Studies SLOs. Students still have plenty of elective courses to choose from.

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15-176

GSP 370: Intermediate GIS - add GSP 510 as an alternative pre-req (see 15-021)

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15-177

BA 210: Legal Environment of Business - remove BUS 120 as a pre-req because students don't need the content from 120 to succeed in 210.