## HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY Senate Chair's Report Senate Meeting, March 7, 2017

Last week we held the first Senate Chairs' meeting of the spring. Conversation was wide ranging, but focused mainly on how campuses anticipate responding to the CO's GE Task Force and also how campuses organize and execute their enrollment management functions. Campuses seem evenly split between those who house EM in Academic Affairs and Student Affairs. Attention to this is rising in relation to GI 2025 work.

As an FYI, I'm also passing along here a recent Senate resolution from Cal Poly condemning the Executive Order establishing the travel ban on individuals entering the US from seven Muslim majority nations. This is the only such resolution I've seen so far....

## **Demand that Trump rescind travel ban for Muslims**

## **Concerned Cal Poly Community**



We, the undersigned faculty and staff at the Cal Poly State University, San Luis Obispo, condemn the actions of President Trump in establishing an Executive Order barring individuals from entering the USA from seven Muslim-majority nations. The Executive Order is not consistent with the values and principles of this country.

This country was founded on the principle of welcoming immigrants. The Statue of Liberty is emblematic of this principle. We are a country of immigrants. Immigrants are central to our vibrant culture and have enabled this country to be successful in so many ways. We have benefited immeasurably from the diversity of ideas as well as the technical, cultural, and linguistic insights brought by immigrants.

Academic scholarship depends on the free and open exchange of ideas. Universities depend on immigrant and non-citizen scholars for their contributions to research. The ability of our scholars to attend international conferences is important for productive research.

The Executive Order has had a disruptive impact on many CSU students and faculty, jeopardizing their education, work, and well-being. International students enrich the quality of education for all our students by providing diversity of experiences.

It is a fundamental principle enshrined in the Constitution that we shall not discriminate on the basis of religion. The Executive Order is in direct contradiction to this fundamental belief. In trying to protect us from terrorists, we may, in fact, be making Americans less safe --- both abroad and at home.

We call upon all of you to act in accordance with the spirit and with the convictions of the judiciary and pressure President Trump to rescind his Executive Order barring Muslims from the seven designated countries. We call upon all of you to pressure Congress to pass legislation overturning the Executive Order. Finally, we call upon the CSU to make known its unequivocal opposition to the Executive Order and to provide legal support for affected students and faculty.

## This petition will be delivered to:

- CSU Chancellor Timothy White
- CSU Board of Trustees
- CSU Academic Senate