HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITYSenate Chair's Report Senate Meeting, April 25, 2017

Last week I attended the final Senate Chairs meeting of the semester. We heard updates from Chris Miller (ASCSU Chair) and Eric Forbes from the Division of Academic and Student Affairs. Miller noted that ASCSU is pushing for a shift to year-round Pell grants (thus allowing students to use financial aid for summer classes) and is also considering how the Senates should be involved in GI2025 efforts. Forbes talked about the COs efforts around academic preparation – in particular the highly aspirational goal of eliminating remedial courses by Fall 2019.

Regarding IP, it appears that the CO wants comments on the draft policy to come in solely via ASCSU. We discussed this with Chris Miller. The Senate Chairs do not agree about how to move forward. Some have decided not to respond, beyond sending along their current IP policies. Others have talked about passing resolutions that indicate solidarity with SJSU's resolution and white paper, although it seems unlikely that any such resolutions will be passed in the current AY. Chris Miller did indicate her belief that such resolutions would help strengthen ASCSU's position when they communicate to the CO regarding the general dissatisfaction with the draft.

Other conversation involved discussion about the implementation of EO 1108 – the Policy on Systemwide Smoke and Tobacco Free Environment goes into effect in the fall!

Finally, as an FYI, SenEx approved the reappointment of Rosamel Benavides-Garb to the ACIP – the Academic Council on International Programs, the systemwide faculty oversight body for CSU International Programs – for a second three year term.