

MINUTES
Regular Meeting of the Santa Cruz Division
January 9, 2019

Meeting

A regular meeting of the Santa Cruz Division of the Academic Senate was held Wednesday, January 9, at the College 9/10 Multipurpose Room. Chair Kim Lau called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m, with Don Potts present as Parliamentarian.

1. Approval of Draft Minutes

The meeting minutes of May 16, 2018 were approved by acclamation.

2. Announcements

a. Chair Lau

Chair Lau remarked on UCSC's current Chancellor search process, noting that the Search Advisory Committee has been meeting with various campus constituencies to solicit feedback on what these different groups would like to see in the next Chancellor. However, these constituencies will have no interaction with the candidates themselves, and no knowledge as to who they are (aside from the final selection). Feedback will be allowed to be submitted throughout the entire search process until a decision has been publicly announced. The search firm and some of the representatives from the Search Advisory Committee were on campus in early December and held multiple town hall events at that time. These events were recorded and are available to stream on the Chancellor Search webpage. It is also possible to submit a nomination for a candidate on that same webpage.

Report of the Representative to the Assembly (none)

3. Special Orders: Annual Reports

CONSENT CALENDAR:

- a. **Committee on Academic Freedom (AS/SCP/1900)**
- b. **Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid (AS/SCP/1901)**
- c. **Committee on Affirmative Action and Diversity (AS/SCP/1902)**
- d. **Committee on Career Advising (AS/SCP/1903)**
- e. **Committee on Courses of Instruction (AS/SCP/1904)**
- f. **Committee on Educational Policy (AS/SCP/1905)**
- g. **Committee on Emeriti Relations (AS/SCP/1906)**
- h. **Committee on Faculty Welfare (AS/SCP/1907)**
- i. **Committee on Information Technology (AS/SCP/1908)**
- j. **Committee on International Education (AS/SCP/1909)**
- k. **Committee on Library and Scholarly Communication (AS/SCP/1910)**
- l. **Committee on Planning and Budget (AS/SCP/1911)**
- m. **Committee on Preparatory Education (AS/SCP/1912)**

- n. **Committee on Privilege and Tenure (AS/SCP/1913)**
- o. **Committee on Research (AS/SCP/1914)**
- p. **Committee on Rules, Jurisdiction and Elections (AS/SCP/1915)**
- q. **Committee on Teaching (AS/SCP/1916)**
- r. **Graduate Council (AS/SCP/1917)**

The reports were approved by acclamation.

- 4. **Reports of Special Committees**
 - a. **Special Committee on Development and Fundraising**
 - i. **Annual Report, 2017-18 (AS/SCP/1918)**

The report was approved by acclamation.

5. **Reports of Standing Committees**

- a. **Committee on Committees**
 - i. **2018-19 Committee Updates (AS/SCP/1919)**

Chair Patty Gallagher presented the updates, explaining that these changes were made after the original roster was presented and approved at the May 16, 2018 Senate meeting.

The floor was opened for questions. There were none.

The updates were approved by acclamation.

- b. **Committee on Educational Policy**
 - i. **Amendment to Regulations for Chapter 6 Student Program of Studies (AS/SCP/1920)**

Chair Onuttom Narayan explained that the proposed changes would bring current committee practices into alignment with the regulations, and would streamline some CEP processes as well, such as eliminating the need for the Committee on Courses of Instruction's (CCI's) approval to add courses beyond the third week of instruction.

The amendment was approved by a show of hands.

- ii. **Amendment to Regulations for Chapter 10 Senior Residency Requirement (AS/SCP/1922)**

Chair Narayan explained that the amendment would allow CCI – rather than the College Provosts – to approve waiving senior residency requirements for students. The Provosts were consulted and approve of this change. This amendment would also allow UCSC's Education Abroad programs to receive the same privileges as systemwide Education Abroad programs. Additionally, it would reduce the number of units that students in Education Abroad programs would have to complete at their home campuses.

The amendment was approved by a show of hands.

iii. Amendment to Regulations for Chapter 10 General Education Requirements Fall 2010 or Later (AS/SCP/1923)

Chair Narayan explained that this amendment would codify and streamline current CEP practices. It gives CCI authority to extend the deadline to satisfy the Entry Level Writing Requirement (ELWR) and composition requirements. The amendment would also allow GE substitution petitions to go directly through CCI, rather than through the colleges and then to CCI.

The amendment was approved by a show of hands.

iv. Amendment to Regulations for Chapter 10 Major Field (AS/SCP/1924)

Chair Narayan explained this amendment would codify current CEP practices regarding the major field declaration deadlines. The change would formally give the colleges the authority to grant extensions for these deadlines.

The amendment was approved by a show of hands.

v. Policy Changes for Major Requirements, Prerequisites for Summer Session, Fully Online Courses, and Senior Residency (AS/SCP/1925)

Chair Narayan explained that these policy changes were created by CEP this year, and are being presented to the Senate to solicit feedback so that the Committee can amend them if necessary.

The major requirement policy clarifies CEP practice regarding what stakeholder feedback means when program requirements are changed.

The summer session prerequisite policy clarifies that course prerequisites are not lifted for summer session courses.

The online course policy clarifies the approval process for these types of courses, and how they fit in to overall curriculum.

The floor was opened for questions.

Mathematics Teaching Professor Frank Bauerle asked that a letter from Mathematics Professor Tony Tromba be added to the record and be available for viewing via the Senate website. The letter outlines faculty concerns about CEP's proposed policy addressing online education.

c. Committees on Educational Policy and Courses of Instruction

i. Amendment to Bylaw 10.1 and 13.16.5 General Authority to Waive Regulations (AS/SCP/1921)

CEP Chair Narayan and CCI Chair Noriko Aso explained that the amendment to Bylaw 10.1 would eliminate a loophole that would potentially allow CCI to override systemwide regulations. It would also allow CCI to retain the authority to grant exceptions to students facing barriers to graduation due to exceptional circumstances. This would have to be approved both by the appropriate faculty and by CCI.

The amendment was approved by a show of hands.

CCI Chair Aso explained that the amendment to bylaw 13.16.5 would change CCI's charge to allow six to eight CCI members, rather than only six.

The amendment was approved by a show of hands.

d. Committee on Library and Scholarly Communication

i. Report on Journal Negotiations, November 2018 (AS/SCP/1926)

Chair Karen Ottemann reported that the CA Digital Library (CDL) and UC librarians are currently in the process of negotiating a new contract for journal licenses and Open Access (OA) subscriptions. Two faculty from systemwide COLASC (UCOLASC) are being included in the negotiation team this year as well. OA costs have been steadily rising and librarians are concerned that this model is untenable. The strategy under discussion would combine lower subscription costs with lower OA charges. OA would still be optional for UC authors and would cost less than it currently does. Ideally with these lowered costs, library savings could be redirected toward helping authors pay the OA charges. However, there is a concern that this new model would shift more of the overall costs onto these authors.

Should the current contract lapse, there may be short-term inconveniences in accessing new content. However, options for getting new content would be described on the Library website should this occur.

The floor was opened for questions.

Committee on Faculty Welfare Chair Grant McGuire commented that it is essential that there be special protections for junior faculty regarding OA, as they are often under immense pressure to publish while working toward attaining their tenure. They also have less access to grant money that could be used to pay for these types of subscriptions.

Psychology Professor Barbara Rogoff commented that, as more universities and libraries move toward OA, it will be crucial to provide adequate support to

authors who are in fields in which grants tend to be smaller and/or not as easy to obtain.

Associate Vice Provost for Teaching and Learning Jody Greene commented that having money for these fees as part of start-up funds would be very helpful for untenured faculty.

6. Report of the Student Union Assembly Chair

(Remarks made after meeting was adjourned) SUA President Ayo Banjo reported that a major concern for students on campus is housing. While there is a proposal that would give UCSC \$2.71 million from UCOP for housing studies, capital improvements, etc., students are concerned that the short turnaround time for comments on this proposal would not allow them enough time to make their concerns known. The SUA would like to meet with Vice Provost for Academic Affairs (VPAA) Herbie Lee, Vice Provost for Student Success (VPSS) Jaye Padgett, and Vice Chancellor for Business and Administrative Services (VCBAS) Sarah Latham, to discuss extending the deadline in order to better facilitate student comments.

Another housing related issue on campus is the number of homeless students sleeping in their cars on campus, many of whom get harassed by campus police and told to move their vehicles. The SUA would like to see the Administration acknowledge this issue and take steps to remedy the problem. It is not feasible to expect UCSC to grow as a campus and advocate for future students if we cannot even provide basic necessities for the students we already have.

There is currently a proposal that would allocate \$130k toward food pantries on campus. As food insecurity is an issue for many UCSC students, the SUA encourages passing this proposal.

Committee on International Education Chair Jeremy Hourigan commented that many Senate faculty are also frustrated with short turnaround times for proposals on campus, and asked that the Senate help push to alleviate this issue.

An unidentified professor asked how many students are sleeping in their cars.

President Banjo responded that informally the SUA know of 60-70 students sleeping in their cars or in the forest, but a formal survey has not yet been conducted to figure out the actual number.

7. Report of the Graduate Student Association President (none)

8. Petitions of Students (none)

9. Unfinished Business (none)

10. University and Faculty Welfare

11. New Business (none)

The Meeting was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

ATTEST:

Roger Schoenman

Secretary

February 5, 2019