2013/2014 Academic Senate
MINUTES
September 23, 2013

I. The meeting was called to order at 2:06 p.m. and roll call was taken by the Senate Administrator. Forty-Six Senators were present.

Ex Officio:
   Absent: Sabalius

CASA Representatives:
   Present: Schultz-Krohn, Goyal, Hebert, Cara

COB Representatives:
   Present: Nellen
   Absent: Campsey

Administrative Representatives:
   Present: Junn, Qayoumi, Dukes, Nance, Bibb

EDUC Representatives:
   Present: Kimbarow
   Absent: Swanson

Deans:
   Present: Kifer, Green, Stacks, Vollendorf

ENGR Representatives:
   Present: Gleixner, Backer, Du

Students:
   Present: Gupta, Miller, Jeffrey, Hart
   Gottheil, Hernandez

H&A Representatives:
   Present: Brown, Frazier, Bacich, Brada-Williams, Grindstaff
   Absent: Harris

Alumni Representative:
   Present: Walters

Emeritus Representative:
   Present: Buzanski

SCI Representatives:
   Present: McClory, Bros-Seeman, Kress, Kaufman

SOS Representatives:
   Present: Trulio, Ng, Peter, Rudy, Wilson

II. Approval of Academic Senate Minutes–
The Senate minutes of May 6, 2013 were approved as written.
The Senate minutes of May 13, 2013, last meeting of 2012-2013, were approved as written.
The Senate minutes of May 13, 2013, first meeting of 2013-2014, were approved as written.

III. Communications and Questions –
A. From the Chair of the Senate:
Chair Heiden welcomed the new Senators for 2013-2014.

Chair Heiden announced that it is her goal “to work collaboratively to meet the challenges and opportunities this year,” and to “foster shared governance on the campus. Each voice on the campus is important, and the Senate is one vehicle in which our voices can be heard. The Senate can take a leadership role in fostering the relationships that we need to have
with one another, relationships of trust and cooperation, so that we are able to meet the mission and goals of our campus in teaching our students effectively and helping their success.” In her leadership role as Senate Chair, Chair Heiden plans “to be solution-focused rather than problem-focused.”

Chair Heiden announced that, “Communication is the key for the Senate to be effective. As Senators you have responsibility for conveying what is going on in the Senate with regard to policies and issues to your colleagues, and you must also solicit information and input from your colleagues as well.” Chair Heiden encouraged Senators to think about ways they could “facilitate communication throughout the year.”

One of the ways the Senate communicates is through our website. The Senate Administrator, Eva Joice, continues to work very hard on improving the Senate website. This summer she added the “Committee Year-End Reports” for the past five years to the website. In addition, she added two new categories to the policies by categories section, Curriculum and Elections, and linked the appropriate policies within these categories.

The Senate website contains all of the university policies and Senate resolutions as well as committee assignments, meeting times, and committee descriptions for our 27 committees. The website also contains the announcements, news, materials for meetings, and the Senate Handbook. Chair Heiden and Eva Joice are also available to answer any questions you might have.

Chair Heiden would still like to see the search feature on the website improved, and will be working on this project this year. Access to certain areas of the website is limited to web services personnel only, and this has slowed progress in getting the search feature correctly setup due to the limited number of personnel working in web services.

**B. From the President of the University**

President Qayoumi welcomed all Senators.

President Qayoumi announced that Chancellor White was here a few weeks ago, and he was very pleased. President Qayoumi felt the meetings with the Chancellor were very productive, and the Chancellor got a “good sense of the campus and what our challenges and opportunities are being the oldest public university in California.”

Trustees Faigin and Norton also visited the campus last week, and they were very pleased with their meetings.

President Qayoumi and Provost Junn have both been having a series of forums and meetings surrounding online education and MOOKs. About five forums have been held thus far and a few more are scheduled. The meetings and forums have been very productive, especially getting feedback from the faculty members that taught these classes.
Questions:

Senator Jeffrey asked if the President planned any action to improve safety on the campus. President Qayoumi meets monthly with Mayor Reed and they now have Chief Decena working with the SJ Chief of Police put some programs together. Chief Decena will be giving an update later in today’s Senate meeting with regard to safety on campus.

Senator Cara asked the President if he could clarify what challenges and opportunities both the Chancellor and the Trustees were talking about with regard to our campus. President Qayoumi responded that they discussed the lack of general obligation bonds for capital outlay across the entire CSU system over the last six years, and also discussed the fact that we are the smallest campus in terms of acreage. They also discussed ways that SJSU might be able to expand to accommodate growth. The Trustees were interested in hearing from students about their experiences with Udacity. The President noted that SJSU offers over 1/3rd of all online education within the CSU.

Senator Peter commented on how much the faculty appreciated the visits by the Chancellor and the Trustees, and noted that in the past we couldn’t get the Chancellor or Trustees to visit and had even passed resolutions requesting visits.

Chair Heiden announced that during the Executive Committee discussions with Trustees Faigin and Norton they did not discuss Udacity. However, the Executive Committee did discuss the importance of having a Faculty Trustee on the Board of Trustees, and Trustees Faigin and Norton were in complete agreement.

The Executive Committee also discussed the current approach the Board of Trustees has been taking in selecting and reviewing candidates for president positions on CSU campuses and the importance of having the candidates get to know the campus prior to appointment.

The Executive Committee didn’t have much time to discuss the Mandated Early Start Program with the Trustees Faigin and Norton, but did raise a few issues of concern about that program.

IV. Executive Committee Report –

A. Executive Committee Minutes –

Executive Committee Minutes of June 19, 2013

Senator Buzanski stated that a paragraph that was originally part of the June 19, 2013 minutes that were online that talked about the expected dates of completion of the construction on the Student Union was missing from the minutes now, and he wanted to know why it was removed. Chair Heiden announced that this was news to her and that she and Eva Joice, the Senate Administrator, would work on the process to ensure it did not happen in the future. [The Senate Administrator reviewed the minutes during the meeting and found that the paragraph referred to by Senator Buzanski was still in the minutes under the remarks from the VP of Administration and Finance at
Executive Committee Minutes of July 10, 2013
Senator Jeffrey asked what the issues were with regard to the Add/Drop Policy referral listed in the minutes, and what changes were being discussed to the Certificate Policy that was recently passed.

Chair Heiden explained that whenever there is a referral from someone that is not part of a committee, the committee gets the referral and discusses it to see if changes should be made to the policy. The Chair of Instruction and Student Affairs will give an update later in the meeting and can give more information about this referral.

Chair Heiden noted that in terms of the Certificate Policy, there was no formal referral. However, several people contacted the Chair of the Curriculum and Research Committee (C&R), Senator Gleixner, and expressed concern that some of the language in the policy was confusing. C&R then decided to take a look at it and see if they could clarify some of the language in the policy.

AVC Ng announced that Senator Buzanski had contacted her and asked her to change item 6 in the July 10, 2013 minutes to refer to “President Qayoumi” as President Qayoumi and not “Mo.” [AVC Ng transcribed these minutes while the Senate Administrator was on vacation.] The Senate Administrator will correct the minutes as requested and repost them in the files and on the website.

Executive Committee Minutes of August 26, 2013
There were no questions from these minutes.

B. Consent Calendar –
AVC Ng announced that Senator Hebert was added to the consent calendar as a new member of the Instruction and Student Affairs Committee (I&SA) as a Faculty-at-Large representative filling the Engineering seat. This seat has remained vacant and has now gone at large as all vacant committee seats do after the 4th week of instruction. In addition, Assistant Professor Claudio Vera Sanchez from Justice Studies will be taking the CASA seat on the Organization and Government Committee to replace Senator Hebert.

AVC Ng also announced that Senator Katherine Harris will be replacing Senator Desalvo for the Fall 2013 semester only from the College of Humanities and the Arts. Senator Desalvo has a teaching conflict that could not be avoided this semester. In addition, Senator Beverly Grindstaff and Senator Jennifer Morazes were elected to one-year seats in the College of Humanities and the Arts, and the General Unit during the most recent Special Elections in those colleges. The College of Applied Sciences and Arts (CASA) still has a vacant seat on the Senate that was not filled in the General Election this Spring, and still did not have any nominees during the most recent Special Election. Senate seats do not go at large and this seat will remain vacant until filled by a faculty member from CASA.
The Senate voted and the consent calendar was approved as amended.

C. Executive Committee Action Items: None

V. Unfinished Business - None

VI. Policy Committee and University Library Board Action Items. In rotation.
A. Curriculum and Research Committee (C&R) –
   Senator Gleixner announced that the C&R Committee had received a couple of complaints about the language in the Certificate Policy being unclear, but that they had not had the chance to begin working on this policy amendment yet.

   C&R is also working on some name changes for minors, and they are working on a policy for the General Education (GE) Guidelines.

   Senator Gleixner presented AS 1520, Policy Recommendation, Technology Intensive, Hybrid, and Online Courses and Programs (First Reading). Senator Gleixner explained that this policy will replace S01-10 and S97-6.

Questions:
Senator Lessow-Hurley asked that C&R review IV.A. because there is a lack of clarity in what is meant by “prior university approval” and who gives this approval.

Senator Peter asked what happened to the provision in the old policy under 7.2.2. that read, “The number of students enrolled in a distance education course shall not exceed the limits for the curricular classification of that course, and shall be substantially the same as in comparable face-to-face courses.” Senator Gleixner responded to Senator Peter prior to the meeting by email that the curriculum classification statement led C&R back to the union contract and C&R inserted II.B.5. in place of this statement. C&R was looking at it from a workload issue, because the allocation of workload is linked to class sizes among a number of listed items in the CFA Bargaining Agreement.

Senator Hebert commented that IV.C. doesn’t really seem to have anything to do with technology intended for hybrid or online courses and seems to cover a more general aspect of the policy. Senator Gleixner responded that she had the same question, and that it was explained to her that if there was a group that was funding a course for a certificate program, for example, this explains that none of their students that take the class that they funded have any guaranteed admission to future courses or future programs. Senator Hebert asked why it was under this policy and why not in the Certificate Policy. Senator Gleixner responded that it is there because it talks about entering into contracts with outside agencies for courses, and apparently it has come up in the past that someone supporting one of the courses thought their students would have special admission. However, C&R will revisit this at their next meeting.
Senator Kimbarow asked about II.B.3., and said he was not clear on what was meant by “support to faculty for developing online courses.” Senator Kimbarow also asked that C&R look for another definition of workload in item II.B.5.

Senator Brown commented that II.A.2. was very vague. She asked that C&R consider being more specific, and also include the number of students to faculty and how it would be implemented.

Senator Bros-Seemann noted that in the old policy in VII.1.7 it talked about an attempt to control the ratio of tenured faculty to lecturers in online offerings. There is nothing about this at all in the new policy. Senator Gleixner responded that C&R had not discussed this, but they would consider it at the next meeting.

Senator Lessow-Hurley asked why IV.B. was controversial. Senator Gleixner responded that the prior version of the policy stated, “with prior approval of the department” and that was all it said. Several people thought this was controversial and wanted to know what this meant. If the department is going to enter into a contract about teaching a class, what exactly does approval of the department mean. C&R put number IV.B. into the policy to make this more specific.

Senator Frazier noted that university policy S01-10, section II, had a part that he liked. This read, “Faculty have final responsibility for determining the pedagogies and instructional methods most appropriate for the instruction of modules, courses, and/or academic programs which the university offers. Among the factors to be considered in determining the suitability for a particular course for TMI are the following—does the use of TMI improve the quality of the course.’ This statement is not in the new policy. Senator Gleixner responded that C&R did not put on any added restrictions. All courses are assessed through their curriculum proposal process. Senator Frazier asked if C&R would consider adding in the missing statement. Senator Gleixner noted that the committee members were opposed to doing anything outside of the normal university process. They did not want technology classes to be evaluated differently than other classes.

Senator Rudy asked if the committee would consider adding a clause to IV which would stipulate the preference of the university for contracts that are 51% university, and 49% contractors. As a public institution, the university should get back some of the money that has gone into building up these institutions which are largely funded by the public. Senator Gleixner responded that if she understood Senator Rudy correctly, he was asking that language be added that the contracts be less than 50% funded by the university. Senator Rudy responded that what he was asking was that over time there be some process whereby the ownership of the business—the materials, the expertise, the technology, the education stuff—these companies are promoting should become part of the public university system.

Senator Kimbarow asked that the committee consider in number II.B.5. adding language so that the workload is applied consistently across all colleges. Senator
Gleixner responded that she did not think we did this right now. This is done differently from department to department. The committee can consider it, but Senator Gleixner was not sure they have any control over this.

Senator Kaufman asked if it was Senator Gleixner’s understanding from the way this policy is written that a class that was approved for normal instruction on campus could move to a 1,000 or few thousand students without going through an additional review? Senator Gleixner responded that this was correct and that the committee’s concern was all around workload issues and language that addressed quality without being vague. Senator Kaufman asked that the committee revisit this.

Senator Bros-Seemann asked if the committee considered the impact on lecturers who may be assigned to develop the online components of courses. Senator Gleixner responded that C&R rolled forward the RTP discussion that was in one of the other policies, and also talked about time for development but not in the specific context of junior faculty. Senator Bros-Seemann expressed concern that lecturers could be asked to do much more than their normal workload with no one being aware and they couldn’t say no. Senator Gleixner explained that II.B.7 is a reworded version of the language in the RTP policy. Senator Gleixner will bring this back to the committee.

Senator Brada-Williams said there are specific policies that have to do with workload issues such as upper division GE, where the policy states the classes should be no larger than 40 students. This policy would then automatically eliminate some of the larger classes in the GE area from being taught online. In addition, the section that talks about student access to technology states that students will be given support commensurate with what they are given now. However, we don’t seem to have any process in place to determine if students have access to the technology they need right now. Senator Gleixner responded that C&R did not want to put restrictions on these courses that weren’t put on other courses, and if class size in GE classes is covered in a separate policy then that policy might need to be revised, not this one. As for support for students and how we measure this for online classes, how do we measure it for our regular classes right now? This may be a concern we need to look into for all classes.

B. Organization and Government Committee (O&G) –
Chair Kaufman gave an update. O&G is working on codifying and changing the membership of the Instruction and Student Affairs Committee (I&SA) Committee, changing the name and charge of the Heritage, Preservation, and Public History Committee, merging the naming policies, and revising the Selection and Review of Administrators policy.

C. Instruction and Student Affairs Committee (I&SA) –
Chair Frazier gave an update. I&SA is discussing a possible revision to the Add/Drop policy, a large-scale revision to the Advising policy, a revision to F68-16, Student Rights to Timely Explanation of Grades, and a revision to the Academic Integrity policy.
D. University Library Board (ULB) –
The new chair of the ULB is Professor Daryl Eggers. Dean Kifer gave an update on the priorities for the ULB this year. The ULB has two priorities. The first priority is the library five-year review. The second priority is working on the ongoing Library of the Future (LOFT) Taskforce recommendations. The library is having its ten-year anniversary celebration this month and there are a number of exhibits on display all month.

Senator Gupta asked if there were any plans to change the hours the library is open during midterms. Dean Kifer noted that the library is open extra hours during finals, but not during midterms. The problem with midterms is that they are held on different dates, and the library doesn’t have the staff to accommodate being open extra hours every day for months.

E. Professional Standards Committee (PS) –
Chair Peter announced that the PS Committee was working on a revision to the Retention-Tenure-Promotion policy. Last year the PS Committee surveyed faculty, the Provost, and various other groups and prepared a report for the Senate. The PS Committee is now working on a revision to the policy. One area in particular the committee is looking at is online Dossiers.

The PS Committee is also trying to follow-up on a number of issues such as the online SOTES. The committee will be sitting down with the people that implemented the SOTES to see how some of these issues might be resolved.

The PS Committee is also looking at possible changes to the Board of Academic Freedom and Professional Responsibility.

The PS Committee has also been gathering data about the proportion of tenure/tenure-track faculty. Over the last couple of years SJSU has increased from 49% to 53%. However, there are certain issues that are hard to deal with under certain conditions such as staffing the Senate and our committees.

VII. Special Committee Reports –
A. Report on University Fundraising by the Vice President for University Advancement:
VP Rebecca Dukes announced that the university met its Comprehensive Campaign fundraising goal of $208,863,000. However, this money isn’t all in one pot, donors typically designate where they want their gifts to go. If your college didn’t receive the funds that were needed, please work with your development officer. Every college has a designated development officer.

VP Dukes is hoping to put in place by next semester some crowd source funding for research areas for faculty. This is a trend that has been going on across the country. It is a very exciting way to raise money. These are the things you see on Kickstarter and those kind of efforts. VP Dukes is looking into these efforts and seeing how she can put them in place to help raise short term money for specific events.
Questions:

Senator Cara asked if 40% of the money received was in designated gifts. VP Dukes replied that it was more like 86%. Senator Cara asked where the other 14% went. VP Dukes replied that it is undesignated funds and they are distributed to the Deans or Department Heads based on who the donor wants the funds to go to, i.e. the College of Business or a specific faculty member.

Senator Peter asked how we are doing on endowed chairs, and VP Dukes responded that we are doing really well. We added four endowed chairs/professorships. VP Dukes announced that campaign 2 is underway and is a grassroots effort. University Advancement will be asking the campus what they need and what ideas they have. VP Dukes hopes to establish a method where every gift has a component to endowment and to the library in campaign 2.

Senator Bros-Seemann asked if there might be any movement to provide additional funds for scholarships and VP Dukes responded that endowments could be scholarships. Donors see the wisdom of endowed funds and want their name to carry on. However, a lot of it is how we package it to the donors.

B. Update on WASC by Associate Professor Camille Johnson:
Professor Johnson reported that the goal date for submitting the report to WASC is August 15, 2014. Professor Johnson hopes to have all the information she needs to write the report by March 7, 2014 and have all the content completed by July 15, 2014. There are eight working groups that are part of the steering committee that are gathering information.

The report is 75 pages maximum double-spaced. There are five core competencies that must be addressed. One of them must be assessed and have a timeline for the assessment of the other core competencies. There are 41 criteria for review, and eight components to report. We have one offsite visit next October. The number of years you can be accredited varies from four years to 10 years at best.

All of this information will soon be available on the WASC web page in the next couple of weeks.

C. Update from the UPD Chief of Police:

Report from the UPD Chief of Police –
Chief Decena gave an update on campus safety. We have been having some issues with violence surrounding the campus that began about 1 ½ months ago when one of our students was killed at 3rd Street and San Salvador.

One of the issues is that the San Jose Police Department is having some staffing issues. There are also some gang issues that are occurring downtown, and problems with prostitution and drug trafficking. The San Jose Police Department is working on dealing with this. The two women that were killed in a car accident on the way to the airport involved a gang member that was fleeing from highway patrol and ran into their car. A new gang has moved down from E. Palo Alto called the “Taliban.” A lot of the gang violence is between the local Crips and the
Taliban. SJSU also had a homicide where a body was dumped near our tennis courts, and UPD resolved this pretty quickly.

There are issues that UPD is working on. Chief Decena is involved in a downtown advisory committee that has members from all the local businesses and local residents. Chief Decena also meets regularly with the SJ Police Chief and is working on ways they can step up patrol efforts. The San José Police Gang Suppression Unit has been applying more pressure on the gangs, but they need more resources.

SJSU remains a very safe campus despite recent events. SJSU’s crime statistics have decreased 17% from last year, but there is a perception that there is more crime. Part of this perception is because of the “Alert” system. The campus is now rapidly informed of crimes that occur on or near the campus using the Alert system.

Questions:

Senator Van Selst asked if there were issues around dispatching since our dispatchers dispatch for California Maritime Academy and Foothill-DeAnza Community College. Chief Decena noted that our dispatchers not only have maps of all areas, but tour the areas during training.

Senator Van Selst asked about UPD stability in terms of personnel. Chief Decena noted that retention and recruitment is a problem because the CSU pays significantly lower than other law enforcement agencies. However, the UPD is relatively stable right now especially when compared to the San José police department. UPD is down three positions right now, but they are working on it. It takes about eight months for an officer to go through the police academy and then a training program. UPD tends to get entry level officers, and not transfers, due to the lower pay.

Senator Lessow-Hurley commented that in 2007, when she was Senate Chair, the UPD Chief of Police had told the campus that they would have all of the classroom doors switched so that they opened inward and not outward. All of the classroom doors in the Virginia Tech shooting opened inward and this allowed the occupants of the rooms to block the doors from being opened. All of the classroom doors at SJSU open outward. Shawn Bibb, VP for Administration and Finance commented that our fire code requires that our doors open outward, and we cannot switch them.

Chief Decena commented that the new training to replace the ALICE training is called, “Run, Hide, Defend.” There are ways to deal with doors that open out and this is included in this training.

Senator Buzanski noted that the pathway between the Student Union and the Engineering Building is very narrow and asked what was being done to keep bicyclists from riding down this area. Chief Decena commented that this really is an education process, but there are signs posted. Chief Decena was only aware of one accident and that was between a skateboarder and a bicyclist. However, Chief Decena and a group of supervisors have will be taking a walk around campus Wednesday night to identify areas where lights are out, and other safety issues.
Chief Decena is putting together a student advisory committee of eight to ten students that will be meeting every other month to discuss safety concerns on campus and to get suggestions.

Senator Frazier commented that three times over the past month the phones have went out. The last time you couldn’t even call UPD. There was an alternate number to call the San José Police Department, but how can we be certain this will not happen again. Chief Decena responded that this was an AT&T problem, but that a call from a cell phone to 911 would go directly to the San José Police Department if our phones are out.

Senator Hebert suggested that the sidewalks be paints so that bicyclists can see “no bike” and “bike dismount zones.” Chief Decena will discuss this with FD&O.

VIII. New Business – None

IX. State of the University Announcements. Questions. In rotation.

A. Vice President of Student Affairs –
VP Nance said that Senator Buzanski had contacted him a few weeks ago about the Student Union construction. The original plan was that a subset of the Student Union building was to be occupied by the end of this summer and another subset at the end of Fall. As the summer progressed it became clear that the construction would not be completed. The contractor has to give us a four-week notice for occupancy.

VP Nance commented that June 19, 2013 Executive Committee minutes that Senator Buzanski referred to did have a statement in them that said we were supposed to be able to move into a section of the Student Union at the beginning of the Fall 2013. [The Senate Administrator pointed out that the statement is in the minutes on page 2 under the comments from the VP of Administration and Finance.] In addition, the Health and Counseling Services Facility is under construction at the corner of 7th and San Salvador.

Questions:

Senator Lessow-Hurley asked what the contract said about the date of completion of the Student Union. VP Bibb responded that there is a major fight going on between the architect and contractor firms. There are disincentives for not completing on time which require the contractor/architect to pay for being late. This is what the architect and contractor are fighting about.

VP Nance announced that alcohol abuse among college students is a national problem. Two or three significant activities we have going on at the campus this year include a program for incoming frosh that is called alcohol.edu. This is an online two-hour assessment of behavior, beliefs, etc. These same students will take a post assessment in November.
The CSU as a whole has joined in a program called Aware, Awake, Alive. This is a national see something, say something, do something program. It is based on an event at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo where a student had too much to drink and passed out at a fraternity party. The fraternity members thought the student would just sleep it off and did nothing. The student then died, and might not have if someone had called for help. There is discussion across the CSU campuses among the VPs of Student Affairs about a possible variant of a medical amnesty program, where the person that calls for help would not be held liable.

As for enrollment, we are almost exactly where we want to be for enrollment for the 2013-2014 academic year with state funded FTES at 105%. We just closed for spring applications. We had to reduce the number of spring admits to stay at the 105%.

Senator Kaufman asked what the “show” rate was. VP Nance noted that we built into the model 3,600 freshmen and census says 3,598. Non-resident enrollments have skyrocketed. We are about 500 headcount higher for fall non-resident enrollment than we were last fall. Applications for spring non-resident enrollment are another 200 higher than last spring. Most of these are at the graduate level. There was a headcount of 1,800 last fall and it is at 2,300 this fall.

B. Associated Students President –
AS President Ayala announced that AS had a summer retreat and also participated in a conference in conjunction with all the other 23 AS student governments. AS is also instituting the Aware, Awake, Alive training mentioned earlier by VP Nance.

AS is putting together a “Campus to the City” campaign. There are three major goals. First to unify main and South campuses to create a collaborative and welcoming environment for students. The second goal is to increase and facilitate safety on campus. The third goal is to create a collaborative relationship between the entities at SJSU and the local community residents and businesses.

AS is also working very hard to get students for the Student Fairness Committee and asked Senators to mention it in their classes.

Homecoming is coming up and AS is taking applications for Homecoming King and Queen. AS is also looking for Senators interested in serving on the Homecoming King and Queen selection committee.

C. Vice President for University Advancement – None
D. Statewide Academic Senators –
Senator Van Selst announced that thus far none of the exceptions to the 120 unit limit that have been submitted to the Chancellor have been turned down.

The General Education Advisory Committee is looking at the tensions between Title V, and liberal education due to the prescriptive nature of Title V. There are several things
that do not mesh well. One of the questions was if Title V was on the table and could be changed, and yes it can.

There was some question at the CSU Statewide Senate about what the definition of a bottleneck is.

There is a taskforce in the community colleges looking at whether the community colleges should offer baccalaureate degrees.

Four resolutions were passed at the first meeting. The first was on the importance of having a Faculty Trustee. The second was on tenure/tenure-track faculty. The third was on Star Testing and its Implications for the Early Assessment Program. The fourth was about not having a baccalaureate degree offered at the community colleges.

Some discussions in the works include a bylaw cleanup, legislative principles/legislative guidelines, and a resolution in support of the Board of Trustees budget request.

There is a need for some policies around intercampus enrollment in online classes.

The Chancellor was asked about what he thought of our Udacity classes, and he commented that he was pleased to see that the data had been published and he emphasized the importance of experimentation.

Humboldt recently passed a resolution about the importance of appointing a Faculty Trustee on the Board of Trustees. This is the second time that we have been denied the appointment of a Faculty Trustee by the Governor. Chair Heiden noted that Trustees Faigin and Norton were both very supportive of our need for a Faculty Trustee on the Board of Trustees when they visited the campus.

**E. Provost**

Provost Junn welcomed back the Senate.

Provost Junn has started a newsletter that will be going out by email to faculty and includes grant opportunities, recognition of faculty, and other important information. Faculty were encouraged to read it.

The Provost Forums for faculty are continuing.

We have a new Vice Provost Andy Feinstein. Vice Provost Feinstein will be attending future Senate meetings. There is also a new Director of Assessment, Professor Jinny Rhee.

Professor Lynne Trulio, Academic Affairs Admin Fellow is working on the Academic Plan, and our other Academic Affairs Admin Fellow, Annette Nellen, is leading the Academic Affairs Leadership Discovery Group (AALDG). There were 77 people that signed up for this group that meets monthly.
The Spring data from SJSU Plus is on the website as well as the NSF funding Report.

Provost Junn reported that when she started at SJSU we were 3rd or 4th from the bottom in terms of tenure/tenure-track faculty. The Provost has been working hard to increase the number of tenure/tenure-track faculty even during our worst budget years.

Provost Junn was unhappy to find out that Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity (RSCA) would not be funded by the Chancellor again this year. This is the 4th year it has went unfunded by the Chancellor. However, the Provost will continue to fund it this year. Three new grants have been added.

The President has created a Commission on Diversity that is co-chaired by VP Bill Nance. The first meeting is this week. There are 14 people on the commission including faculty, staff, students, administrators, etc.

The Provost established a Hispanic Student Success Taskforce and an African-American Student Success Taskforce. These two taskforces have met about five times now. SJSU has a lower than average graduation rate for underrepresented minorities and this pulls down the average for all.

Questions:

Provost Junn explained that African-American Studies has a very rich history, and not just on this campus. However, our African-American Studies program is so small that it is not sustainable on its own. Provost Junn is trying to find places where the program can be housed to help it grow. Right now there are only 10 students with this major.

F. Vice President for Administration and Finance –
VP Bibb commented that there were two mediation sessions with the two groups that were involved in the construction of the campus village. Neither of these sessions was fruitful. However, VP Bibb informed them that if we have to go to court, we will have our students testify that they had to live in these conditions. The Chancellor agreed to a starting number of $29 million for dealing with this problem.

VP Bibb was asked to explain exactly what happened in the campus village and what the lawsuit is about. VP Bibb explained that flash heating was used and this is not a good heating solution for a tall building, and the workmanship was shoddy. This resulted in major leakage issues. Our students had to live with this for four years. Over the last two summers SJSU has had to do a complete re-piping of campus village.

VP Bibb reported that the 2014-2015 budget process has already begun. The Chancellor’s Office has put together a preliminary $250 million budget request. They have not been very open about what is included in the $250 million, but it may include wages, technology, mandatory health increases, which are all issues we have had before. If you look at the four-year proposal that was agreed to last year, they got $125.1 million. This year they are scheduled to get $144.2 million. That is our minimum new money that
comes in. Approximately, $20 million is earmarked for cost increases. The Chancellor’s Office has not said what the other $122 million will be earmarked for.

Questions:

AS President Ayala asked when the construction on the new Recreation Center would begin. VP Bibb said that it may occur at the same time as the housing construction, but won’t start until the Student Union is completed.

Senator Cara asked about the cuts we continue to see and what happened with the university reserves. Provost Junn explained that while other universities were taking baseline cuts during the worst budget years, we did not because of the $100 million in one-time reserves we had. Now we have no reserves left, so it is like taking two-years worth of cuts in one-year. Other campuses that took these cuts as they were given out may appear to be much better off than we are this year. Senator Cara said we have been hearing this for five years now, and asked if it is going to continue. VP Bibb noted that after we’ve taken these cuts we should begin recovery.

Senator Kaufman asked for an update on the wireless network. VP Bibb said they are not getting many requests for classrooms now as many of the classroom issues have been resolved. VP Bibb investigated and found that 85% of the traffic going off and on the campus is Netflix. About 50% of this Netflix traffic is coming from Campus Village and the MLK Library. VP Bibb has a plan in place to add access points. There are currently 740 access points and there should be 2,100 by the end of the year. VP Bibb said that a possibility may be to stop Netflix access.

VP Bibb also noted that over 50% of the calls to the UPD are to the MLK Library area, and 95% of these calls are about non-SJSU affiliates. There are upsides and downsides to having a joint library with the city.

X. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m