

2014/2015 Academic Senate

MINUTES  
November 3, 2014

**I. The meeting was called to order at 2:05 p.m. and roll call was taken by the Senate Administrator. Forty-Eight Senators were present.**

**Ex Officio:**

Present: Daniels, Van Selst, Sabalius, Heiden  
Absent: Lessow-Hurley

**CASA Representatives:**

Present: Schultz-Krohn, Lee, Shifflett,  
Grosvenor, Goyal

**Administrative Representatives:**

Present: Dukes, Bibb, Feinstein, Terry  
Absent: Qayoumi

**COB Representatives:**

Present: Campsey, Sibley

**Deans:**

Present: Steele, Stacks, Kifer, Green

**EDUC Representatives:**

Present: Kimbarow, Mathur

**Students:**

Present: Blaylock, Jeffrey, Amante, Hernandez, Romero

**ENGR Representatives:**

Present: Backer, Fatoohi, Sullivan-Green

**Alumni Representative:**

Present: Walters

**H&A Representatives:**

Present: Frazier, Bacich, Riley, Brown  
Brada-Williams, Grindstaff

**Emeritus Representative:**

Present: Buzanski

**SCI Representatives:**

Present: Kress, White, Muller, Kaufman

**General Unit Representatives:**

Present: Kohn, Fujimoto, Huang

**SOS Representatives:**

Present: Ng, Peter, Rudy, Feist

**II. Approval of Academic Senate Minutes–**

The minutes of October 13, 2014 were approved as written (47-0-1).

**III. Communications and Questions –**

**A. From the Chair of the Senate—**

Chair Heiden introduced Senator Bacich. Senator Bacich is Chair of the World Languages and Literatures Department. Senator Bacich sadly announced the passing away of Professor Dominique Van Hooff last Thursday. Professor Van Hooff served on the Senate and Curriculum and Research Committee for 14 years from 1998 until 2012. Professor Van Hooff was also Chair of the World Languages and Literatures Department for years. A memorial service will be held in the campus chapel on November 14, 2014 at 1 p.m.

**B. From the President of the University –** No Report. The President was not in attendance.

**IV. Executive Committee Report –**

**A. Executive Committee Minutes –**

Executive Committee Minutes of October 6, 2014 – No Questions.

**B. Consent Calendar –**

AVC Backer presented the consent calendar. Two amendments were made to replace Carolus Boekema on the Undergraduate Studies Committee with Bem Cayco for a term ending 2017, and to replace Mathew Masucci on BOGS with Peggy Plato for a term ending 2016. Romey Sabalius was removed from the Board of Academic Freedom and Professional Standards. **The Senate voted and the consent calendar was approved as amended (48-0-0).**

**C. Executive Committee Action Items:**

**Approval of the Senate Election Calendar for 2015**—The Senate voted and the Election Calendar was approved as written (48-0-0).

**V. Unfinished Business - None**

**VI. Policy Committee and University Library Board Action Items. In rotation.**

**A. University Library Board (ULB) -- No report.**

**B. Professional Standards Committee (PS) –**

Senator Peter presented *AS 1549, Policy Recommendation, Emeritus Faculty, Rescinds F92-6 and F96-7 (First Reading)*. [Note: this was the 2<sup>nd</sup> First Reading of AS 1549 per the PS Committee's request.]

This policy recommendation was presented briefly at the end of the last Senate meeting. A few changes were made, but the Chairs and the President voiced some concerns. This is the reason this is coming for a second first reading.

The changes begin with lines 111 and 112. The previous version stated that non-tenured faculty members needed to have the equivalent of 10 years of full-time service. Several faculty members contacted the committee and argued that there are some non-tenured faculty that are crucial to their department, but they never teach more than one or two classes. For example, some specialist instructors in the Music Department only teach one or two classes and never rack up 10 years of full-time equivalent service. Therefore, the committee returned this to a minimum of 10 years and then added the qualification that they have made significant contributions to the university. The nominee must also be recommended by a department personnel committee. The PS Committee thought there should be a similar review process to what tenured faculty go through. In addition, the committee heard from several people regarding the "Latin controversy." It appears to be the case that since 1992, use of the Latin titles for this status have changed and most universities use emeritus for male faculty members and emerita for female faculty members. The PS Committee added a sentence that allows faculty to enter either emeritus or emerita following the title of their highest academic position.

**Questions:**

Q: *Is the title of Emeritus Faculty appropriate when the faculty member begins to FERP, or ends his/her FERP?*

A: FERP faculty are still faculty. To get the title of Emeritus Faculty you must be retired and FERP Faculty are not yet retired.

Q: *How are “significant contributions” defined and assessed, and by whom?*

A: The appropriate department personnel committee that reviews the candidacy would assess this.

Q: *Only the department personnel committee makes this determination and there is no review and/or involvement by the Senate or other Administrators?*

A: Correct. The PS Committee really wanted to avoid replicating the RTP process in which multiple levels and multiple administrators had to participate in the review. The PS Committee felt this was in keeping with the 1992 policy in which the status is more or less automatic unless there is a reason to object. If this policy is approved requiring a department personnel committee review and significant contributions, it will make us more selective about non-tenured faculty than any of the campuses in the CSU. The old policy and this new version do not require the Provost or President’s approval. The PS Committee could consider adding this level of approval, but most CSU campuses do not. At San Diego State University, the Senate reviews and approves candidates.

Q: *Would the committee consider changing the policy to reflect that according to PERS when a faculty member begins his/her FERP, he/she is legally retired and paid by PERS?*

A: The one concern the committee may have is that a list of privileges would need to be established, because FERP faculty already have certain privileges such as office space, etc. There would then be two different kinds of Emeriti faculty. There would be those that are FERP faculty, and then those that are completely retired. Those completely retired would have access only to the list of privileges. The PS Committee will look at whether there are any contractual issues and will discuss this.

Q: *My concern would be that FERP faculty continue to serve on various committees as active faculty members, and if they are declared Emeriti, how would that affect their ability to serve as active members?*

A: There are many retired faculty members serving on committees right now such as the Master’s Thesis Committees.

Q: *If a committee is determining what a significant contribution is and making a recommendation to that effect, who are they making that recommendation to?*

A: The PS Committee will discuss this further.

**B. Curriculum and Research Committee (C&R) – No report.**

**C. Organization and Government Committee (O&G) – No report.**

**D. Instruction and Student Affairs Committee (I&SA) –**

Senator Frazier presented *AS 1550, Policy Recommendation, Sound Level at Campus Events (First Reading)*.

In 2012 there was a policy passed on appropriate sound levels between 65 and 85 decibels. You must get special permission to have sound between the 65 and 85 decibel level. Under 65 decibels is considered normal speaking level. Certain campus organizations that are involved in the recruitment of students will be given special permission to go ahead and make noises, such as using amplified sound, between the 65 and 85 decibel level. The reason for this change is that Student Outreach and Recruitment leads the campus tours and several of their tour guides have lost their voices trying to speak loud enough to be heard by the groups they lead that have up to 50 people.

*Q: Would the committee consider allowing labor action groups to also have special permission to have sound between the 65 and 85 decibel level?*

A: The committee will consider it.

*Q: There used to be a Presidential Directive that forbid amplified sound during final exam periods. I had an extensive conversation with the Student Union Scheduling personnel about this last semester when a Jazz Band was setup outside our building during final exams with their approval. I would encourage the committee to add that into this policy.*

A: It is in the Time, Place, and Manner Presidential Directive. I don't remember it being a specific restriction during final exams, but rather during specific hours. The President's Office will review the Presidential Directive.

*Q: If the sound level is over 65 decibels, who do you call to report it?*

A: If you email Provost Feinstein he will go and check it out. There is also a phone app that can tell you if the sound level is over 65 decibels. The Student Union Event Services will also be responsible for monitoring any complaints under this new policy and will suggest further action.

#### **E. University Library Board (ULB) – No Report.**

### **VII. Special Committee Reports –**

#### **A. The VP of Student Affairs, Renee Terry, gave a report on the “Red Folder.”**

The Red Folder is a new resource being made available to all campuses. It is actually going to be a folder that will contain information to help faculty and staff respond and refer students in distress to the appropriate places.

The Red Folder was created by initiative support through the California Mental Health Services Authority along with the Student Mental Health Initiative through the CSU.

At SJSU we do have the Behavioral and Crisis Intervention Team (BCIT). BCIT is comprised of Academic Affairs and Student Affairs professionals that students are referred to.

The Red Folder will be distributed to every faculty and staff member on campus, and was completely paid for by the CSU. The Red Folder gives you information on what to look out for when determining if a student is in distress.

SJSU participated and continues to participate in the National Assessment of Student's Health and Mental Health Issues Survey every two years. The results of the most recent survey results point to some significant issues with our students. According to this survey, 31.7% of SJSU students are so depressed they feel they can't function on a day-to-day basis, 31.3% feel that stress is negatively affecting their performance, 7.5% have seriously considered suicide, and 1.4% have attempted suicide.

In addition to the Red Folder, an icon will be loaded on all staff and faculty desktops with this information and off-campus resources as well. All faculty and staff will also get a pocket guide.

There will also be a 24 hour hotline that can be called where you can leave a message for the BCIT team, and there will be a form that faculty and staff can fill out on the BCIT website. This is all part of creating a culture of care and concern. All of us need to be the eyes and ears for students in distress.

### **Questions:**

*Q: Last week I had a student that was very distressed after an exam. I suggested he go to Counseling Services, but he was hesitant. I almost wanted to walk him over, but didn't know if I should do that. How can a faculty member follow-up to see if the student went to Counseling Services? Should I call BCIT?*

A: This is exactly why the online form exists. The faculty member can fill out the online form and BCIT will respond within 48 hours. BCIT is also in the process of hiring a case manager as well.

*Q: I'd like to know a little more about the app?*

A: It really is an icon on the desktop that contains a pdf file.

*Q: My understanding was that there was an app that would sync with the wifi at the CSU.*

A: That is not in this first phase of rolling out this initiative, but there are many apps that are already available to campuses to do exactly that although the CSU as a system has not brought that on.

*Q: Will there be training for faculty on mental health situations like this so they have previous experience with what to do in these situations before they occur?*

A: BCIT is willing to do presentations for any group on campus that requests it. It is not mandatory for faculty, but it is available.

*Q: Is the after hours number just a line where you leave a message, and/or is there somewhere else a faculty member working at night should call to get immediate help?*

A: The after hours service is contracted with an agency that has a counselor on duty at all times to provide assistance. If the counselor does not feel it is necessary to act immediately, they will

refer the situation back to BCIT for action the next day, or after the weekend. The Red Folder was an initiative that began after the Virginia Tech shooting.

**B. University Budget Report by AVP Josee Larochelle, and the Athletics Budget Report presented by Director Gene Blaymeier.**

The Governor supported the CSU by providing a 5% funding increase for 2014-2015. This increase amounted to \$142 million for the CSU. Beginning with fiscal year 2013-2014, the budget situation for the CSU improved greatly mainly due to the passage of Proposition 30. Proposition 30 allowed the CSU to reverse the \$250 million budget reduction distributed to campuses at the start of last year. With the increased revenue provided by Proposition 30, the Governor then committed to annual adjustments for the CSU of between 4% and 5% over the next four years. Last year we had a 5% increase, this year we received 5%, next year we are earmarked to receive 4%, and another 4% for the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

The new capital financing framework included in the state's budget trailer bill transfers the responsibility for major building and infrastructure financing from the state to the CSU. This included the transfer of existing outstanding debt, and the funds to cover these debts to the CSU. Staff in the Chancellor's Office, along with the Board of Trustees, are working diligently on an implementation plan. The Board of Trustees has earmarked \$10 million to fund capital project financing. SJSU would benefit by receiving funding to replace the roof and steam line upgrades in DH, as well as utility infrastructure improvements.

*Q: Can you explain how the priorities for the buildings needing work is being determined, because the faculty in DMH have a letter telling them that work on DMH would be the number one priority for repairs?*

*A:* I'm not sure how the priorities were determined, but if you send a copy of the letter AVP Larochelle will look into it. VP Bibb explained that the only buildings on the CSU list at the moment are building that have structural damage. No new buildings were added.

The state legislature has placed restrictions on the CSU regarding Student Success Fees. The Chancellor's Office has prepared a report on the Student Success Fees charged on each campus and their use. This moratorium is for new fees and does not affect current fees.

The CSU has set aside some one-time funds for Awards for Innovation in Higher Education.

The CSU budgeted enrollment growth at 8,333 FTES. SJSU got additional funding for 450 FTES. There is a tuition fee revenue offset. When you receive additional funding for enrollment growth these students are also going to be paying tuition, so the Chancellor's Office takes that into account when determining the funds you receive.

There is an increase in our compensation and benefits budget. The CSU received \$92.6 million which resulted in a 3% compensation increase for SJSU.

*Q: Can you explain where that compensation pool went to?*

A: The compensation hasn't been distributed yet, but the funds are there. We received an additional \$5.9 million in our budget for the compensation increases, but the unions are still negotiating the contracts. The \$5.9 million includes the 3% plus the cost of benefits increases.

We did receive a \$1.326 million deduction in our allocations. This is a result of the CSU's effort to balance their budget. We also received a penalty of \$1.7 million for exceeding our target enrollment last year.

In 2013-2014, our preliminary planning was for 23,675 FTES and that continued in our final planning. Our surplus FTES for resident students was 762. We have increased the non-resident FTES by 373 for a total of 2,600. We are probably going to be exceeding that.

In 2008-2009, the general fund support was 65% of our revenue picture, but by the year 2011-2012 this had gone all the way down to 41%. We have gone back up to 46% this year.

For 2014-2015, AVP Larochelle announced the availability of \$6 million in base and \$2.4 million in one-time funds to support budget requests. As we updated the estimates, the \$6 million was reduced to \$5.1 million in base.

Last year we were able to reserve \$3 million in base for campus reserves. Unfortunately, due to the budget reduction we received this year that reserve has been reduced to \$1.2 million.

The 2014-2015 Student Success Excellence and Technology Fees (SSETF) amounted to \$3.7 million in base and \$5 million in one-time funds. The University did a budget call and received a number of proposals. However, we then received notification that the SSETF would be reduced to \$295 per student per semester. This reduced the amount of funds available to \$2.2 million in base, and \$310,000 in one-time funds. There was an additional \$725,000 in one-time funds that came from the surplus students we had last year. This was added to the new revenue that came in this year and we allocated \$761,000 in base-funds and \$2.1 million in one-time funds.

*Q: On page 29, there is a total of \$9.5 million in SSETF, and it looks like \$8 million goes to Athletics? Does 85% of our SSETF really go to Athletics?*

A: The SSETF was unbundled. Out of the IRA fees, almost \$8 million goes to Athletics. If you wanted to add all the fees to come up with a percentage, you would have to add the \$7.4 million, \$1.8 million, and the \$9 million. That would amount to 46% of the combined SSETF goes to Athletics. However, the IRA fee is not a new fee. It was just unbundled from the rest of the SSETF.

This year we asked for SSETF proposals, but due to all the controversy we held onto them. I did just get confirmation to move ahead on some of the proposals.

*Q: The law clearly states that lottery funds should not be used to pay for ongoing university expenses and most of the lottery funds are given to the library for library acquisitions. Can you explain how this is not against state law?*

A: It is a difference in interpretation. We've gone over this every year. The current Chief Financial Officer, VP Shawn Bibb, is in support of this as was the previous CFO along with the Provost, and the Provost before that. This is the university's position as far as I understand it.

[Note: the full budget report is available on the Division of Finance and Administration's website.]

**Gene Bleymaier, Director of Athletics gave the following budget presentation.**

There are several benefits to an Intercollegiate Athletics program. "Athletics provides the common spirit for the university and the faculty, staff, students, alumni, donors, and fans. It inspires enthusiasm, devotion, and strong regard for the honor of the institution. No other activity can bind a campus so completely and permanently as can Intercollegiate Athletics. Another benefit is Title IX and gender equity.

We are committed to equitable opportunities for our men and women here at SJSU. During the 2013-2014 Academic year, Athletics added three new women's sports that provide additional opportunities for more than 225 women in 13 sports.

Athletics hosts and conducts more than 140 athletic events each year on the campus and in the community. Attending Athletic events that are open to the community provides opportunities to show and develop Spartan pride while providing avenues for alumni and donors to visit the campus and stay involved in the university in a fun and enjoyable family-friendly setting. These events also provide exposure for the university and academic programs while bringing new people to the campus and stimulating the local economy. When visiting teams come in to compete against us in those 140 athletic events, they spend approximately \$1 million on food, lodging, and transportation in our community.

Student Athletes at SJSU annually contribute over 3,000 hours of community service in Santa Clara County helping to reach the underserved populations and future SJSU students. Our athletic events are on the radio, on the television, in the newspaper, and receive recognition on a daily basis throughout the school year. Our football games are broadcast live on the Spartan radio network, and the men's basketball games are also broadcast live. In the fall alone this year, 11 of our football games will be nationally televised providing the university with millions of dollars of exposure in advertising value. The men's basketball team was on regional television six times last year, and is scheduled to be on regional television 11 times this year. There is also a weekly football and basketball coaches' show broadcast on television and the radio throughout the season. This publicity builds public awareness for the university attracting a more diverse pool of students, faculty, and staff.

We provide a wholesome entertainment opportunity for students and the community. SJSU students can attend all home athletic events for free and bring their family and friends, because they do pay the IRA fee so they are receiving a value well in excess of the fee they pay. Students are also allowed to park for free at all home football games which is a \$15 per game value in itself.



Athletics helps maintain the fields on the South Campus. These venues are used by student groups for classes, clubs, band, recreation, and intermural practices and competitions. Athletics spent \$426,000 last year on the maintenance and upkeep of its facilities and fields.

Intercollegiate Athletics provides over 700 students with extracurricular activity opportunities. Students that have benefited include student athletes, band members, cheerleaders, dance team, color guard, student workers, and interns. The Athletic Department contributes over one quarter of a million dollars annually to the Associated Students fund.

Intercollegiate Athletics spends over \$6 million annually on grant and aid for incoming students in the form of financial aid for tuition fees, room and board, and books.

Student Athletes, band, and cheer members add to the diversity and character of the student population. Intercollegiate Athletics annually spends over \$400,000 on the recruitment of diverse and gifted prospective student athletes. The African-American population on this campus is roughly 3%, but 16% of our student athletes are African-American.

Athletics employs 30 graduate student assistants annually providing them with access to programs, facilities, equipment and staff members to maximize their educational experience and prepare them for a full-time career. Athletics also hires approximately 30 students each year to work with our media relations, ticket office, e-management, video and marketing staff.

Athletics provides hands-on educational opportunities for students interested in marketing, counseling, coaching, development work, athletic training, strength and conditioning, sports management, ticket sales, broadcast and video production, sports information, and information technology.

A number of our major donors stay involved with the campus through athletics. Athletics is a source of Spartan pride and for many alumni it helps keep them engaged and interested in the academic programs as well as the athletic teams. These donors include Don and Sally Lucas, Lee and Diane Brandenburg, Connie and Bob Lurie, and Chuck Davidson to name a few. All of these people have buildings named for them on this campus. Athletics spends approximately \$150,000 annually advertising and promoting SJSU activities and programs including broadcasting live events on the radio and the internet.

In 2013, Texas A&M University did a study of Intercollegiate Athletics and ranked SJSU as the 9<sup>th</sup> most economically efficient Athletic program among the 124 NCAA Division I football bowl subdivision playing schools. SJSU has ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Mountain West Conference over the last 10 years for the most NCAA public recognition awards earned by our student athletes.

Student fees for athletics are common across the country. The student fee for athletics at SJSU is well below the student fee for athletics at San Diego State University, one of sister conference schools. The fee at San Diego State University is \$153 per student per semester. It is \$125.75 per student at SJSU.

Athletics events provide an opportunity for alumni to return to campus and interact with the faculty, staff, and students on a regular basis throughout the year. Many employers hire student athletes because of their dedication, ability to work in teams, leadership skills, and work ethic.

There has been a consistent rise in the Academic Progress Rate (APR) over the last 10 years. The numbers that will be released this spring show us at an all time high of 976 out of a possible 1,000.

Over the last decade you can see the steady rise and increase in our football team's APR. This spring they will achieve an all time high of 976.

SJSU ranks in the top 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of all California Schools. We are behind Stanford, UCLA, and just behind UC Davis.

As for the questions Senator Peter submitted to me that appeared in an article in the USA Today. First, you are looking at actuals from one year compared to a budget for a previous year.

It is pretty easy to explain the difference--the \$4.3 to \$4.4 million based on what the reports are asking for. The report that goes to the NCAA is under their statement of revenues and expenses and is an actuals end of the year report. In that report are fees for insurance premiums, indirect facility cost, non-resident waiver fees, conference fees, and the deficit. The largest part of that \$4.3 million was the deficit at \$2.5 million. The rest are those categories listed above. These numbers were reported to the NCAA as actuals, but they are not routinely submitted on our SJSU budget form.

One of the questions was about the five-year plan to balance the budget. This is actually a three-year plan. When I arrived here one of the surprises I found was that we had a budget deficit. I talked with the President and was told to come up with a plan to balance the budget as quickly as you can. We came up with a three-year proposal to balance the budget. We are in the second year of the three-year plan. The deficit a year ago was \$2.5 million, and this year it is under \$.5 million, and our projection for next year is to have a balanced budget."

*Q: Where was the \$2.5 million deficit paid off by Athletics, or was it forgiven? I don't see that in this report.*

A: It was paid for by the university.

*Q: I wonder why the College of Humanities and the Arts doesn't get debt forgiveness?*

A: Provost Feinstein commented, "They did." It was over \$1 million and the Academic Affairs Division bailed the College of H&A out.

*Q: I'm just wondering with a \$2.5 million deficit one year and an expected \$.5 million deficit this year, how can you justify not charging fees for the games?*

A: In a way we are charging students, because they pay a student fee. A year ago the cabinet made a decision to offer free admission to athletic events to faculty and staff after 6 years of no raises and furloughs. We thought it would be a good way to increase morale and Spartan pride, and to get more involvement from the university and community.

*Q: The actuals for the Athletics Budget show \$7.6 million and were reported to us just a few minutes ago, but there is still a \$3 million discrepancy between our actuals and the USA Today article. You mentioned the insurance, indirect facility fees, non-resident fee waivers, and conference fees are these the items that account for this difference?*

*A: Yes, and one-time funds approved during the year after the budget was approved.*

*Q: Where does the money to pay this \$3 million come from? How does it work that during the year it turns out we need more than the \$6 million approved in the budget?*

*A: The process is that I've been told to come up with a three-year plan to balance the budget and I did.*

*Q: I appreciate that, but when we prepare budgets in the future, shouldn't we include these fees in the budget submitted for approval so that we have an accurate picture of how much the program is costing?*

*A: I think the university has those figures. Again, we fill out what is required and in the format requested. The NCAA has a totally different format.*

*Q: The Senate passed a resolution several years ago that requested that the Athletics Budget be capped at 2% of the general fund. In order to arrive at 2.1% the budget for Athletics should be around \$6 million. If we accounted for all these missing expenses, what percent of the general fund would actually be going to Athletics?*

*A: I don't have those figures.*

*Q: It is about 3%.*

*Q: The USA Today database makes it possible to sort the budgets of universities in a number of categories. Out of the 225 universities, SJSU is fortieth in terms of total subsidy provided by the university to the Athletics Program. Is there a plan to lower this number to ensure the Athletics Program can support itself, and require fewer student fees and general fund support?*

*A: The percentage of subsidy listed in the USA Today article listed 225 universities. SJSU ranked 103<sup>rd</sup> when you look at the percentage of subsidy. There are eight other schools in the CSU and UC system that subsidize their Athletic programs at a higher rate than we do at SJSU. The point I'm making is that the subsidy percentage is all over the board from 89% at UC Riverside down to 4% at UCLA or Berkeley. Compared to the Mountain West Conference, the subsidy we receive at SJSU is right in the middle. Now that we are in the Mountain West Conference we do have a real opportunity going forward to generate more self-support monies through television exposure, through gate receipts, ticket sales, through marketing, and through our conference share. Right now we are in our second year of moving to the Mountain West Conference. Our annual share is capped for the first three years. It started at \$1.5 million last year, then moves up to \$1.75 this year, and next year it will be \$2 million. After that we get a full share which is approximately \$1 million more than we are receiving now. Going forward there is a real potential for us to capitalize on the exposure we will be receiving in the Mountain West Conference.*

*Q: When I look at the items that were not included in the budget report I can sort of see how insurance premiums and indirect facility fees are left out, but I don't understand how conference fees are left out. Can you tell us what the conference fees are and what monies did we receive from the conference?*

A: The annual fee is currently \$375,000. It is set annually by the Presidents. I do not anticipate that going up. The conference is in a position to generate more revenue as a result of the college football playoff and the success of our conference.

Q: *We saw the actual deficit of \$2.5 million from last year, how confident are you that you will be under \$400,000 this year?*

A: We are confident that we will not be more than \$436,000 in the red this year.

Q: *Congratulations on going from the \$2.5 million to the \$.5 million, and how have you done that?*

A: Football guarantees and fundraising. This year we played at Auburn and they paid us \$1.5 million. We played at Minnesota for \$800,000. This was a big part of the increased revenue along with fundraising.

Q: *The operating expense and equipment budget under IRA Fees has an item called miscellaneous that amounts to \$1,827,006. Can you elaborate on what this includes?*

A: We have event-related expenses, we have operational expenses, we have information technology expenses, pre-season training expenses, guarantees, and summer school expenses. These are all lumped under miscellaneous.

Q: *You said that \$250,000 goes to Associated Students, but where does that appear in the budget.*

A: That is under IRA Transfers.

Q: *A lot of students are concerned about all the money going to Athletics, and don't feel it represents the student body as a whole.*

A: This is why I started off listing all the benefits that Athletics provides and how this benefits all the students and the university. Just the free tickets and the parking amounts to more than the student fee per person in value.

### **VIII. New Business – None**

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

**A. Provost – No Report.**

**B. Vice President for Administration and Finance – No Report.**

**C. Vice President for Student Affairs –**

VP Terry gave the following updates for the Student Affairs Division.

VP Terry announced the passing of one of our students, Chi Lam, who would have graduated from the College of Engineering this spring. His service has been posted on the facebook page.

On Saturday over 300 middle and high school students from San Jose came for College Day. On Friday, November 14, 2014, we will host over 500 African-American students from San Jose and Santa Clara County. Chair Heiden praised the fraternity—Delta

Sigma Phi—that gathered together in support of Chi Lam’s family and raised over \$50,000.

Spring Registration opens tomorrow (November 4, 2014).

**D. Associated Students President –**

AS President Daniels gave the following updates:

AS hopes to fill there vacant Student Senator seat with a new AS Director of Student Resources next week.

AS will be opening up their search for a new Executive Director very soon.

On Friday, AS hosted their first Haunted House and over 1,200 students attended.

AS is doing their part to make the SSETF more palatable to students.

AS has been hearing lots of concerns about campus safety and they are working with UPD on the possibility of hiring more security guards and improving the escort services.

AS is working on improving diversity.

AS is hoping that the increase in the number of new faculty hires will result in more class sections being offered.

The Board of Trustees is beginning their search for a new Student Trustee. All Senators were asked to encourage qualified students to apply. Students may also contact Senator Amante for additional information.

The California State Student Association (CSSA) is considering a \$4 fee that would be added to the SSETF to fund the Student Involvement Representation Fee (SIRF). This will help the CSSA become its own entity and not have to rely on an MOU from the CSU.

**E. Vice President for University Advancement –**

VP Dukes thanked the Delta Sigma Phi Fraternity for their work. The fraternity did things like pizza party fundraisers, etc. This is something we will be spending more time learning about. We will be having a trial run with an online crowd funding platform. It will be launched on December 2, 2014 for all faculty and students to use and the Tower Foundation is absorbing the cost.

A motion was made to extend the meeting for 5 minutes. The motion was seconded. The Senate voted and the motion was approved (48-0-0).

**F. Statewide Academic Senators –**

All three of our CSU Statewide Senators will be going to Long Beach next week and will have updates after those meetings.

**X. Adjournment** – The meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.