ASCSU Plenary Report

September 2021

Key activities:

- Committee-of-the-whole to discussion COVID-19, its impacts, and repopulation plans
- Moving Beyond Bias training

Reports of note:

- Report by EVC Alva about enrollment management and its relationship to student success, and about COVID-19 repopulation
- Report by Chancellor Castro about COVID-19 repopulation, the historic record CSU state budget, and the Chancellor's Office's support of AB 928 regarding transfers
- Report by CFA President Toombs about bargaining and COVID-19 repopulation; also reminded people to vote in the CA Governor Recall Election
- Report by CSSA VP of Systemwide Affairs Moreno Ruelas about COVID-19 repopulation and focus on basic needs, financial needs, and other needs of the student (the whole student) – noting that Rent is the #1 financial cause for dropping out!!
- Chair's Report: Watching the following legislation and its direct impact on CSU curriculum
 - AB 927: Extends the statewide baccalaureate degree pilot program indefinitely in the community college system, and removes caps on the number of programs introduced each year. Unmet workforce needs would still be a requirement for approval.
 - AB 928: A single transfer pathway for ADTs to the UC and CSU systems. Supported by the CSU CO.
 - AB 1111: Create a common course numbering system in higher education
 - [Note all 3 have since passed both the Assembly and the Senate]

Main focus for the ASCSU Exec this year: COVID-19 repopulation, Faculty success = student success, and shared governance / HEERA

Resolutions:

The <u>September 2021 Resolution Summaries</u> includes the First Reading Waiver / APPROVED resolution, <u>Request for Continued Accommodations and Flexibility in the Time of COVID-19</u>. Not only is this policy relevant and timely, based on the ongoing pandemic, it also features research conducted by Cal State LA graduate students in geography in the rationale.

For more information, or to provide feedback on the First Reading items linked on the <u>Summary</u> page before **November 1**st, please contact to <u>Heidi Riggio</u> and/or <u>Kris Bezdecny</u>.