ASCSU Report
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- Discussed the following issues:
  - Governor Newsom’s initial budget for 2019-2020
    - An HISTORIC WIN for the CSU
    - Still with significant room for improvement, particularly for enrollment
    - CO is not expected to raise tuition as a result of this initial budget
    - Proposed bond issue targeted at construction led to no increase in capital debt servicing funding
  - Posting of faculty intellectual property on Course Hero and similar sites without permissions
  - CSU Fresno’s collegiality document titled “Principles of Community” and the potential impact this would have on free speech, inclusivity, and academic freedom
    - Note that this link just recently “broke,” and a replacement is not yet available
  - Impact of Artificial Intelligence on higher education and employment – white paper on impacts is being revised, and resolution will call for a task force to further study the implications
  - The need to continue providing programs, resources, and overall support for all immigrant members of the CSU community

- Passed resolutions to:
  - Include tuition in Cal Grant B awards to freshman students in the CSU
  - Increase funding for Electronic Core Collection to offset the significant increases in scholarship access costs
  - Adopt the “Tenets of System Level Governance in the California State University” after significant debate
    - Note that no actual changes to the Tenets document were allowed at any point by the ASCSU as a whole
  - Reaffirm encouragement for each campus to exercise control over their curricular decisions
  - Additional resolutions related to transfer, enrollment, and completion passed:
    - Examining the Impact of Attrition and Enrollment Growth on the Number of CSU Students
    - Closing the Achievement Gap and Increasing College Completer Outcomes and Success for All CSU Students
    - Requirements for Faculty Discipline Review Group (FDRG) Membership in Support of the Development and Oversight of Transfer Model Curricula
    - Creation of California State University Curriculum Networks

- ASCSU Senate seats were re-apportioned based on total campus FTEs
  - The top 7 CSUs in terms of FTEs have 3 seats on ASCSU
  - Cal State LA fell 4.5 FTE short!! of a 3rd Statewide Senate seat