Chair Warter-Perez convened the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

1. Chair’s Announcement:

1.1 In accordance with University Policy, an Ad Hoc Advisory Selection Committee for the Dean of Graduate Studies is being established. The Committee will consist of four tenured faculty members elected by the Academic Senate, and two members appointed by President from the University at large. The following faculty members have accepted nomination by the Nominations Committee to the slate of candidates:

- Gabriela Fried-Amilivia (Sociology)
- Nandakumar Ganesan (Information Systems)
- Jennifer Garrison (Geosciences and Environment)
- Frank Gomez (Chemistry and Biochemistry)
- Kristin Hackel (Television, Film and Media Studies)
- Anne Hafner (Applied and Advanced Studies in Education)
- Ester Hernandez (Chicano Studies)
- Krishna Foster (Chemistry and Biochemistry)
- Jai Hong (Technology)
- John Kennedy (Music, Theatre and Dance)
- Patrick Krug (Biological Sciences)
- Seonagh Odhiambo (Music, Theatre and Dance)
- Edith Porter (Biological Sciences)
- Suzanne Regan (Television, Film and Media Studies)
- Frederick Uy (Curriculum and Instruction)
- ADee Williams (Curriculum and Instruction)

There will be a 7 day e-vote election beginning tonight and closing Tuesday, March 1.

1.1.2 You should have received an invite to the PDP Lecture and Reception being held next Tuesday, March 1. Andrea Zetlin, Special Education and Counseling, will present a lecture titled “Addressing Education Inequalities for Vulnerable Student Populations.” Please make sure to RSVP by the deadline of Friday, Feb. 26.

1.1.3 In lieu of the first Senate meeting of spring quarter on April 5, 2016, we will be having a Strategic Planning Workshop for faculty only. We will be inviting all faculty to come participate.

1.2 Senator Sonnenschein announced: Faculty, you will see that we are passing out strike pledge cards. Please sign one today and we will contact you about your Pickett shift. There are several strike planning subcommittees now functioning, so please contact the strike coordinators, Molly and Aaron, if you would like to get involved further. We will pick up your pledge cards at the end of our Senate meeting. Thank you!

1.3 Graduate Dean, K. Elliott-Brown announced: The 24th Annual Cal State L.A. Student Symposium on Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity, sponsored jointly by the Office of Research and Development, the Office for Research and Academic Personnel, UAS – Office of Research and Sponsored Programs and The Gamma Epsilon Chapter of The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi is on Friday, February 26th, 2016.
INTRODUCTION OF EMMERITI

2. The following emeriti were introduced: Anjan Bhaumik, Stanley Burstein, Marshall Cates, John Cleman, Donald Dewey, Domnita Dumitrescu.

CONCERNS FROM THE FLOOR

3. Senator Cleman raised the following concern: As I understand it, Teaching Assistants at Cal State LA do not automatically receive fee waivers for being TAs. So, I am asking EC to take up this question with the Administration to see if such fee waivers cannot be provided. I would add that my perspective is in regard to the TAs in the English Department and probably Comm. Studies as well who actually become the teachers of record in their classes, as opposed to being graders, lab assistants, or other kinds of helpers in other departments. I'm not sure all graduate assistants should receive fee waivers, but I believe some should as has been the case in the past. Without the fee waivers, the salaries of English TAs is hardly enough to justify the time and effort -- and distraction from their academic studies -- that comes with being a TA.

INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS

4. None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

5. It was m/s/p (Prabhu) to approve the minutes of the meeting of February 9, 2016 (ASM 15-9).

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

6. 6.1 It was m/s/ (Ulanoff) to approve the agenda.

6.2 It was m/s/p (Salinas) to add “Resolution in Support of California State University, Los Angeles Participation in the Open Educational Resources Adoption Incentive Program of the College Textbook Affordability Act of 2015” as a new item 10 and renumber the remaining items.

6.3 The agenda was approved as amended.

SENATE CHAIR’S REPORT

7. Chair Warter-Perez presented her report.

PROVOST’S REPORT

8. None.

REMARKS FROM THE PRESIDENT

9. President Covino provided campus updates.

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES PARTICIPATION IN THE OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES ADOPTION INCENTIVE PROGRAM OF THE COLLEGE TEXTBOOK AFFORDABILITY ACT OF 2015

10. 10.1 It was m/s/ (Sonnenschein) to approve the recommendation.

10.2 A five minute question and discussion period took place.

PROPOSED POLICY DELETION: FACULTY RESPONSIBILITIES, FACULTY HANDBOOK, CHAPTER VI (15-8) First-Reading Item

11. 11.1 It was m/s/ (Leon) to approve the recommendation.

11.2 A five minute question and discussion period took place.
12.1 It was m/s/ (Gutierrez) to substitute the new language lines 50-54:

IN EVALUATING CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE FACULTY AS ASSISTANT PROFESSORS, EMPHASIS IS PUT ON PROMISE FOR DEVELOPING A SUCCESSFUL CAREER AS AN EFFECTIVE TEACHER AND AS A PRODUCTIVE SCHOLAR OR ARTIST AT CAL STATE LA. CANDIDATES FOR APPOINTMENT AS ASSOCIATE OR FULL PROFESSORS MUST DEMONSTRATE CONSIDERABLE ACHIEVEMENTS IN THESE AREAS.

12.2 Senate Cleman suggested a friendly amendment to the Gutierrez motion to delete OR TEACHER and AS APPROPRIATE. No objections were raised.

12.3 Debate ensued.

12.4 The Gutierrez motion was approved as amended. (V: 32/5).

12.5 It was m/s/f (Aniol) to amend line 54 by deleting CONSIDERABLE. (V: 12/23).

12.6 It was m/s/ (Baaske) to amend line 98 by adding THE CHIEF FACTORS WEIGHED IN EVALUATING QUALIFICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY FACULTY ARE INSTRUCTIONAL ABILITY AND CURRENCY IN THE FIELD before “TEMPORARY.”

12.7 Debate ensued.

12.8 Senator Sonnenschein suggested a friendly amendment to the Baaske motion to add OR POTENTIAL after “ABILITY.” No objections were raised.

12.9 Senator Leon suggested a friendly amendment to add a comma after ABILITY and POTENTIAL. Objections were raised.

12.10 It was m/s/p to refer the policy back to the Faculty Policy Committee to review the language about Temporary Faculty appointments. (V: Unanimous).

13. It was m/s/p (Sonnenschein) to adjourn at 2:57 p.m.