Chair Warter-Perez convened the meeting at 1:34 p.m.

1. Chair’s Announcements:

1.1 At the Executive Committee meeting of October 26, 2015, it was agreed by consensus to approve by Executive Action modifications to the following procedure to be in compliance with Executive Order 1098, revised June 23, 2015, which supersedes the current Executive Order 1073:

- Student Conduct Procedures, Faculty Handbook, Appendix H.

In accordance with policy of the California State University, the campus president has the responsibility for implementing executive orders where applicable and for maintaining the campus repository and index for all executive orders.

This action will stand approved at the close of business today unless there is a request to agendize it.

1.1.2 The results of the Statewide Academic Senate substitutes rank order list is as follows: Gretchen Peterson, Heidi Riggio, Beth Hoffman, Martin Adamian, and Molly Talcott. A substitute will be called to attend a Statewide Academic Senate meeting in the event one or both of our Statewide Senators are unable to attend.

1.1.3 You should have received an invitation to the Fall Academic Senate Retreat and Reception which will be held next Tuesday, Nov, 10th, 1:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. The RSVP deadline was yesterday, however, if you have not had a chance to RSVP, please do so by close of business today.

1.2 Vice Chair’s Announcement:

1.2.1 Matthias Selke (Chemistry & Biochemistry) has accepted the appointment by the Nominations Committee to serve as a one-year alternate for Kimberly King on the Student Educational Equity Advisory Committee to the Vice President for Student Affairs representing the College of Natural and Social Sciences.

2. Senator Riggio raised the following concern:

There is a workload issue of concern that is happening on campus, with some faculty in HHS teaching courses with 120 students for 4 units. There are other disparities in units for class sizes across campus, with different colleges awarding a differing number of units for similarly sized courses. The number of students in a course should be determined by the course proposal. The workload clause of the Contract (Article 20.3c reprinted below) contains language that refers to ‘demand’ for the course and University ‘past practice’ as determinants of what is a reasonable/unreasonable workload. I am concerned that 120 students for 4 units is an excessive workload. I think this is of concern to the Senate and to CFA as well.

In determining what is “excessive” or “unreasonable” under this section, the items listed under 20.3(b), as well as the number of students seeking to take courses in the academic area, the distribution of student enrollment, the level of support provided the program, and the effects of the introduction of new instructional technologies, and the prior practices of the University shall be among the primary elements to be considered. The parties agree that consideration of the prior practices of the University shall include the calculation of Weighted Teaching Units in prior years.
INTENT TO RAISE QUESTIONS

3. None.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

4. It was m/s/p (Bodinger-deUriarte) to approve the minutes of the meeting of October 20, 2015.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

5. It was m/s/p (Syed) to approve agenda.

SENATE CHAIR’S REPORT

6. Chair Warter-Perez presented her report.

PROVOST’S REPORT

7. Provost Mahoney presented her report.

REMARKS FROM THE PRESIDENT

8. President Covino provided campus updates.

PRESENTATION: BUDGET 101

Presented by Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, L. Mahoney and Vice President for Administration and CFO, L. Chavez

Time certain 2:00 p.m.

OPEN PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH RESOLUTION (15-1)

First-Reading Item

9. Provost Mahoney and VP for Administration/CFO Chavez presented information regarding the budget.

Note: The presentation is available on the Academic Senate webpage at:
http://www.calstatela.edu/academicsenate

10. 10.1 It was m/s/ (Baaske) to approve the recommendation (15-1).

10.2 It was m/s/p (Baaske) to suspend the First-Reading Items rule and move this item to a Second-Reading Item. (V: 40/4).

10.3 Debate ensued.

10.4 The recommendation was APPROVED (15-1). (V: 32/13).

10.5 It was m/s/p (Bodinger-deUriarte) to forward the Resolution in advance of the approval of the minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

11. It was m/s/p (Peterson) to adjourn at 3:09 p.m.