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ABSENT

N. Warter-Perez, S. Ulanoff

EXCUSED ABSENCE

Chair DeShazo convened the meeting at 1:50 p.m.

Senator Ramos read the Tongva land acknowledgement.

1. 1.1 Chair DeShazo announced:
- CSU Stanislaus Teach-In: Feb. 18, 8am-5pm. Stan State faculty organizing a systemwide teach-in responding to escalating federal actions impacting civil liberties, including but not limited to recent ICE
 - Working with CFA for a platform large enough to broadcast to all campuses
 - Reach out to me if you are interested in attending or being a speaker. Students can attend.
- 1.2 Chair DeShazo announced: President Eanes approved new policy “Retention of Faculty Author Rights to Deposit and Disseminate Scholarly Articles: Open Access Policy” – effective Spring 2026. President Eanes returned unsigned the policy modification “Formation, Dissolution, Relocation or Merger of Departments/Divisions/Schools.
- 1.3 Senator Meyerott announced: Digital Accessibility Benefits Everyone. We have some important deadlines coming up in April to ensure we are accessible. Faculty Affairs, CETL, the University Library, the Office for Students with Disabilities, and ITS Universal Design Services have partnered to offer easy-to-use, no cost resources to make your digital instructional materials accessible. This initiative provides how-to resources to help you proactively create accessible instructional materials, as well as remediation support for your existing Canvas course content. Colleges have ambassadors to help with this work. Feel free to reach out to me if have any questions.
- 1.4 Senator Rodriguez announced: The library, ORSCA and UAS will be hosting a faculty in author event on March 12, 3:00-5:00pm. You should have received an invitation for the event about two weeks ago and a reminder will be sent soon. If you are a recent author from 2025, please let us know as we are compiling a list. We are also celebrating student authors and researchers.
- 1.5 Senator Won announced: There is an Undergraduate Student Research competition deadline coming up. It’s a 3-minute competition where students have one slide and three minutes to present their research. It’s open to all undergraduate students on campus. It will take place on March 5, 3:00-4:20pm in the U-SU. There should be a flyer coming out shortly with a QR code to register by February 23.
- 1.6 Chair DeShazo announced (on behalf of Provost Lattimer): There will be an Academic Affairs Retreat on Monday, Feb. 16, 9:30am-12:00pm and Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2:00-4:30pm. Please RSVP for one date. A reminder email was recently sent out. Provost Lattimer will hold an “Ask Me Anything” on Feb. 25, April 29 (Assistant Professors only), and May 27, 11:00am-12:00pm, Salazar Hall, room 162.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2. The following questions or concerns was raised from the floor:
- King Hall, 3rd floor, men’s restroom has a bad odor that has been continous.
 - Can more details with more numbers be added to the transparance website?
 - When will we have the completed Cal State LA Strategic Plan and when will it be presented to us.

Provost Lattimer responded from the floor and advised will forward some questions/concerns to VP Lindow.

QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

INTENT TO RAISE
QUESTIONS

3. None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

4. 4.1 It was m/s/ (Porter) to approve the minutes of the meeting of January 27, 2026.
4.2 Senator Porter advised that ORSCA internal awards should be deleted from item 1.3.
4.3 The minutes were approved as amended.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

SENATE CHAIR'S REPORT

6. Chair DeShazo presented her report.

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REPORT: NOVEMBER 6-7,
2025 AND JANUARY 15-16,
2026

7. Senator Meyerott presented an overview of both reports: November 2025 and January 2026.

PROPOSED POLICY DELE-
TION: PRINCIPLES OF
ACADEMIC FREEDOM,
FACULTY HANDBOOK,
CHAPTER VI (24-2)
Second-Reading Item

8. There were no motions to take this off the table.

PROPOSED POLICY MODI-
FICATION: DEFINITION OF
"FACULTY", FACULTY
HANDBOOK, CHAPTER VI
(25-3)
Second-Reading Item

9. 9.1 Debate ensued.
9.2 It was m/s/ (Ramos) in line 16 to delete LINE and replace it with TENURED AND TENURE-TRACK and modify line 19 as follows: LECTURER (NON-TENURE-LINE (LECTURER (A-D))).
9.3 It was m/s/ (Porter) to amend the Ramos amendment in line 16 to delete TENURED AND TENURE TRACK and in line 19 to read LECTURER and delete the remaining language.
9.4 Debate ensued.
9.5 The Porter motion failed. (V: 11/12/3)
9.6 The Ramos motion passed. (V: 19/12/2)
9.7 It was m/s/p (Rodriguez) in line 22 to add ASSISTANT LIBRARIAN before "SENIOR". (V: 30/1/2)
9.8 It was m/s/ (Porter) to reconsider the Ramos motion.
9.9 Debate ensued and the Porter motion passed. (V:18/11/3)
9.10 It was m/s/p (Porter) in lines 16-19 to read as: A. INSTRUCTIONAL FACULTY (LECTURER, TENURE-LINE, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR, PROFESSOR)
B. INSTRUCTIONAL FACULTY: NON-TENURE-LINE (LECTURER A-D)
(V: 23/4/5)
Please note: the corresponding lettering will be corrected as an editorial change.
9.11 Chair DeShazo passed the gavel to Vice Chair Hazra.
9.12 It was m/s/ (DeShazo) to send the policy back to committee.

9.13 Debate ensued.

9.14 Vice Chair Hazra passed the gavel back to Chair DeShazo.

10. It was m/s/p (Hunt) to adjourn at 3:47pm.

PROPOSED POLICY MODI-
FICATION: DEFINITION
OF "FACULTY", FACULTY
HANDBOOK, CHAPTER VI
(25-3) (continued)

ADJOURNMENT