CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, LOS ANGELES ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES August 26, 2025

ASM 25-2 DRAFT

A. Siu, A. Badr, D. Green, H. Hajaiej, K. Yang, M. Pizarro, M. He, S. Wells, S. Movva, X. Sun

ABSENT

D. Hazra, J. Potts, K. Baaske, P. Hyunh, P. Romkema, T. Bettcher, T. Zamil

**EXCUSED ABSENCE** 

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair DeShazo convened the meeting at 1:55 p.m.

Senator Raspopov read the Tongva land acknowledgement.

- 1. 1.1 Senator Rodriguez announced: Our campus has all-inclusive access to the New York Times and Wall Street Journal that is open to faculty, staff and students. You can find more information in the Library newsletter or website.
  - 1.2 Senator Ramos announced: Senator Ramos announced that she was the former CFA-LA Lecturer Rep and ceded time to welcome the new CFA-LA Lecturer, Sarra Ben Ghorbal (WGSS). S. Ben Ghorbal shared three lecturer faculty concerns: 1) the new online application system as lecturers will have to "reapply" every year. Requests AVP Heise send out a clear email on this process, 2) Academic Freedom and Campus Safety. In this political climate freedom of expression is critical. Vulnerable faculty- especially lecturers-and students are at greater risk of being targeted. This includes international faculty on work visas and colleagues who are permanent residents and 3) Under federal

government and federal grants, what is our plan? When and if ICE comes to campus, are we ready? What is the plan if our students or faculty are kidnapped or deported? Can students finish their degrees if they are deported? We need to be ready; we need a plan.

- 1.3 Senator Talcott announced: I am the faculty rights chair for CFA-LA. An email from the CSU Labor Coalition was sent today at noon and I am concerned about the Chancellor's Office threats to get rid of the step raises won by CSUEU and Teamsters in the last round of negotiations. Also: last year this body issued a no confidence vote in Chancellor Garcia, and we should retain that institutional memory. Moreover, in these times of fascism, we need more than a performative chancellor, and we also need to really show up for each other, try to practice the radical imagination we encourage in our students regarding the challenges we face, and in a state that is the fourth largest economy in the world with plenty of billionaires, that we not believe the manufactured discourse of austerity. Finally, I've been busy with faculty rights, as the course cuts have been brutal for lecturers, and I invite anyone who has a concern to reach out, as all consultations are confidential. CFA is here to support you.
- 2. The following questions/concerns were raised from the floor:
  - Have all the elections for Senators been held for Fall 2025?
  - Can you clarify the difference between "Questions from the Floor" and "Intent to Raise Questions"?

Chair DeShazo responded from the floor.

3. None. INTENT TO RAISE

**QUESTIONS FROM THE** 

FLOOR

- 4.1 It was m/s/p (Meyerott) to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 6, 2025 (ASM 24-| APPROVAL OF THE 4.
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- 4.2 It was m/s/p (Cwir) to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 6, 2025 (ASM 25-1).
- 5. 5.1 It was m/s/ (Oropeza Fujimoto) to approve the agenda.

- APPROVAL OF THE **AGENDA**
- 5.2 It was m/s/ (Meyerott) to add a new item: Modality of Academic Senate meetings for 2025-26AY.
- 5.3 Interim parliamentarian, Senator Warter Perez, advised that this item cannot be added based on the Constitution and the rules of how to amend the agenda.

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APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA (continued)		5.4	The agenda was approved.
SENATE CHAIR'S REPORT	6.	Chair De	Shazo presented her report.
BUDGET PRESENTATION	7.		Lindow, CFO and VP for Administration and Finance, presented budget updates. A and answer period followed.
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS	8.		Lattimer, Provost and VP for Academic Affairs, presented updates on Academic A question and answer period followed.
NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION FOR ONE FACULTY MEMBER (NOT FROM CBE) TO SERVE ON THE AD HOC ADVISORY SEARCH COMMITTEE FOR THE DEAN FOR THE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS	9.		Chair DeShazo opened the floor for nominations.  Senator Abed self-nominated and was elected by acclimation.
PROPOSED NEW POLICY: GRADUATE STUDENT COURSE REPEAT AND REPEAT FOR GRADE REPLACEMENT POLICY, FACULTY HANDBOOK, CHAPTER IV (24.15) First Reading Item	10.		It was m/s/ (Cwir) to approve the recommendation.  A five-minute question and discussion period took place.
ADJOURNMENT	11.	It was m	/s/p (Meyerott) to adjourn at 3:44 p.m.