

APARC

February 16, 2021

Attendance: EAV, RL, EAL, SB, KR, LL, CF, MB, PA, SA, DH, MW

Approve Agenda – M-S-Approved

Approve Feb 2, 2021 Minutes – M-S-Approved as amended

REPORTS

APARC Chair's Report – E. Virmani

1. Flex scheduling

- Looking for ways to make up time lost because of fire and other disruptions
- SSU has room in its faculty contract to add a flex week; SSU moving forward with developing a plan
- The issue remains in EPC/ExCom; Not clear if APARC has a role

Academic Affairs – Stacey Bosick

1. Faculty work space – physically distanced; tenure-faculty space available; lecturer space still in the works
2. Teaching modalities – driven by space limitations; prioritizing freshmen classes in person
3. Open to discussion of which types of classes should be prioritized as in-person

Stevenson Task Force Update – Sandy Ayala

None

ATISS report – Sandy Ayala

1. ATI Audit – whether SSU is open to lawsuits; Addressed 5-6 areas, including
 - Accessible syllabus – Syllabus Mandate
 - Closed captioning – Yuja purchased to address this
 - Universal Access Hub created
 - PDFs a growing problem of inaccessible PDFs being used -- out of compliance – actions taken to address it
 - DrupalRESOLUTION: Passed the audit
2. Annual report submitted to Chancellor's office - accepted
3. Book store ordering needs to occur on a timely basis– working on that issue
 - New system coming on line in late March
 - The bookstore is reporting to ATISS regularly
4. SSU is piloting Top-Hat
5. CTET / ATISS – working on new budget proposal; goal is to retain staff
6. Classroom upgrades - technology and furniture; Next in line: Warren, Ives, Nichols & Carson
7. Focus this semester: White Paper that reviews how other CSU campuses are approaching ATISS in the time of Covid
8. Examining the teaching modality that works best for students with disabilities
 - ATISS does not support high-flex
9. Syllabus Mandate – held up by minority voices in each committee
 - a. Pushback 1) don't want to do it; you can't make me; 2) privacy; 3) want to make it assessible in another way
 - b. Provost called a meeting with opposition; Outcome: Asked ATI to develop an alternative method than Canvas
 - c. ATI said they would not develop an alternative means; too difficult; CSU system says it must be on LMS

Motion: Chair of APARC asked to write a letter to ExCom requesting that the issue be voted on. And, if ExCom is requiring a unanimous vote, APARC would like clarify over why that is necessary

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UPRS report – Catherine Fonesca

1. Preparing for special visit from WASC
2. Two self-studies coming through
3. Working on 7-year cycle for Program Review
 - Discussion about whether/how to conduct a mid-cycle check-in; purpose and goals
 - role of APARC

4. Finalized the language on the new prompt for the Self Study

Campus Planning Committee Report – Sandy Ayala

none

Announcements

none

Business

1. Committee representation (EPC and ATISS)

- a. Elita requests that a member of APARC attend EPC as a liaison.
 - Megan Burke will liaise with GE

2. APARC's Role in Assessment

- a. Suggestion: APARC can help in capacity building among faculty to conduct an assessment
 - Gather / circulate information on how to conduct assessment
 - Providing ideas on what Departments can do for assessment
 - Old version of a committee doing this type of work: ASPIRE
 - reps from each school
 - learned how to conduct assessment

3. Flexible Schedule Proposal (tentative)

See above