

# CSULB Staff Council Meeting

## 11-17-23



CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY  
**LONG BEACH**  
Staff Council

- Start Time 8:32am
- Land Acknowledgement- AR begins with Land Acknowledgment
- Mission Statement- AR mentions mission of SC to attendees
- POLL FOR QUORUM: poll conducted, quorum reached
- Agenda: approval moved by A Kinsey, seconded and approved.
- Past Meeting Minutes: approval moved by P. Joyce, seconded and approved.

### Chair's Report- Alessandro Russo

- AR reports on what was discussed at SC Executive meeting. He asks current representatives to report back to their units and make sure that all the information is distributed to fellow staff members. Roster currently has about 50%, some units are full but alternates are welcome

### Vice Chair's Report – Ann Kinsey

- No report at this time.

### Treasurer – Julie Woods

- Current balances:
  - LB49R Fund N0202: \$1835.16
  - LBCMP Fund MT153: \$201.64
- JW reports on balances in current accounts. Spooktacular was generously funded by the OTP and VP Admin and Finance.

### Secretary – Laura Emery

- Not present, no report

### Members-at-Large – Jeff Scott & Colleen Ryan

- No report at this time.

### Special Reports – Pei Fang Hung, Academic Senate Chair

- PFH reports on the very successful recent Academic Senate Retreat, the EC is currently working on the data collected to create a White paper which will be distributed campus wide when available. RTP policy revision completed recently, public hearing happened, currently in the voting stage. ETA Equitable textbook access is a concern to some faculty and there will be a resolution at the next AS meeting.

### Special Guests

- 9:00 am (time certain) President Jane Conoley - JC reports that Sylvia Maxson has passed away, spouse of Bob Maxson. Conflict in the Middle East has made students on campus feel uneasy on both sides. She asks staff to reassure student that they are free to express their

views, she hopes for civility and safety. She reports that the Jazz Ensemble performance by Pacific Standard time was great. Update on LB Housing promise, a collaboration among city partners with a goal to promote construction of below market homes, apartments and condos. To build faculty and staff housing on campus is in our Campus Plan. Surplus city property, or LB Unified property that could be renovated are being solicited.

- 9:15am (time certain) – Rebecca Nelson, VP CSU Academic Resources Conference Board of Directors- R. Nelson from Chico State reports on the upcoming ARC staff conference. The conference is in its 21<sup>st</sup> year in 2024. The theme is “Building the Future: Compassion, Connection, and Commitment”. Staff from all 23 conferences are welcome. Rancho Mirage is the location this upcoming year. Scholarships will be launched in January, joining the mailing list encouraged. Last year LB has 47 participants in the conference. Staff council panel in 23 LB Chair, Alessandro Russo. Attendees in 23 asked for a follow up session in 24. LB was the 1<sup>st</sup> staff council in the CSU system. There will be a theme for the dinner and it will be announced in February. Presenter proposals will be sent out soon.

### **Staff Development -Susan Tsuji, Karla Reyes**

- KR reports on upcoming staff development events including the University Library special collections event with four time slots available. A Tour of the Alumni center coming, and a tour of the student dining hall. Library special collections QR code presented. Heather Steele mentions that if a certain item/subject is requested she is happy to present on those items.

### **Bylaws & Policies – Charleen Rice**

- No report

### **Membership – Ann Kinsey, Colleen Ryan, & Jeff Scott**

- AK mentions the recent meet and greet and that it was not very successful, another meeting is planned for spring 24.

### **Nominating – Ann Kinsey**

- AK states that nominations are open for a staff member to be on the search committee for AVP for Integrative Academic and Student Success. AK and SO mention that this is a great opportunity for staff. One nominee comes forward, Lane Olsen-Cooper. Move to close the nominations by AK, seconded. Lane Olsen-Cooper elected by SC.

### **Ways and Means – Julie Woods**

- JW reports on the See’s candy currently happening, will end Nov. 30 and will have a new fundraiser for December. Laura Emery recently added a “donate” button to the SC website and we have already received one donation. A thank you and a receipt will come when you donate. New QR code forthcoming for the December See’s fundraiser.

### **Special Events, Kristin Bonetati, Christina Salvador**

- KB reports that the first wrapping party this week, 56 toys were wrapped, the next wrapping party is November 28th, and she solicits \$25 target gift cards for older foster children. Some funds will be used to purchase LB Swag to go along with the gift cards for the older children. We generally have an abundance of gifts for 4-6, so younger or older are needed. A volunteer list is available for those who may want to volunteer on the day of the event. Thank you to the UL (University Library) for donating tape and thank you to C Farrington for allowing us to use the bookstore for wrapping. AR thanks CFA (California Faculty Association) who donated \$1000 to our event to purchase toys.

## Announcements

- Holiday Open House today at the University Bookstore, 25% off almost everything and an extra 10% for staff. Light refreshments are available to those while shopping. There are gifts with purchase. Ugly holiday sweater day, December 15, 2023, and those wearing this will get 20% off as well as your staff 10% off also. School of Art is doing their annual sale, and flyer is provided, December 4-7, 2023. One of a kind student-made items available. S Olsen states that the death of Sylvia Maxson, spouse of former University President Bob Maxson. He was a very positive influence on the campus as well as his spouse who was faculty in CED. Bob was a mentor to Robert Garcia, past ASI president, past LB Mayor, and current US Congressman. The phrase "Go Beach" was created by Bob Maxson, he said hello to everyone across campus and knew everyone's name. He attended all SOAR sessions each year. N Torres-Poblano encourages engagement from campus constituents regarding sustainability.

Adjournment: motion to adjourn K. Bonetati, seconded and adjourned at 9:34 am.

Next Meeting: 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM Staff Council - Monthly Meetings Online ZOOM- December 8, 2023

Submitted by: Ann Kinsey, Vice Chair for Secretary Laura Emery, not present.