MINUTES
Executive Committee

Tuesday, January 24, 2017
3:15 p.m. – Room 106 - Administration

Present: Mary Stromberger, Chair; Stephanie Clemons, Vice Chair; Paul Doherty, Jr., BOG Faculty Representative; Rita Knoll, Executive Assistant; Jason Ahola, Agricultural Sciences; Troy Mumford, Business; Scott Glick, Health and Human Sciences; Angela Christian, Liberal Arts; Nancy Hunter, Libraries; William Sanford, Natural Resources; George Barisas, Natural Sciences; J Lucas Argueso, CVMBS; Rick Miranda, Provost/Executive Vice President

Guests: Eric Prince, Chair, CUP

Absent: Russ Schumacher, Engineering (excused)

The meeting was called to order at 3:17 p.m. by Mary Stromberger.

February 7, 2017 FACULTY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS:

I. Proposed Faculty Council Agenda – February 7, 2017 – A101 BSB– 4:00 p.m.

A. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Next Faculty Council Meeting – March 7, 2017 – A101 Behavioral Sciences – 4:00 p.m.
2. Executive Committee Meeting Minutes located on FC website – December 13, 2016
   (http://facultycouncil.colostate.edu/faculty-council-meeting-dates-agendas-minutes/)
3. Elections for Faculty Council Chair, Vice Chair, and Board of Governors Faculty Representative – March 7, 2017 – Committee on Faculty Governance. Nominations close February 15, 2017.
4. President Frank – Open Forum – Wednesday, February 8, 2017 – 3:00-4:00 p.m. Cherokee Park Ballroom
5. Introduce Kathryn Rickard, Faculty Ombuds

B. MINUTES TO BE APPROVED

1. Faculty Council Meeting Minutes – December 6, 2016

C. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
D. REPORTS TO BE RECEIVED

1. Provost/Executive Vice President – Rick Miranda
2. Faculty Council Chair – Mary Stromberger
3. Board of Governors Faculty Representative – Paul Doherty, Jr.

E. CONSENT AGENDA

1. UCC Minutes – December 9, 2016

F. ACTION ITEMS

1. Proposed revisions to Section C.2.1.9.3 Membership and Organization of the *Academic Faculty and Administrative Professional Manual* – CoFG
2. Proposed revisions to Section C.2.1.9.5.h Committee on Strategic and Financial Planning of the *Academic Faculty and Administrative Professional Manual* – CoFG
4. Proposed revisions to Section C.2.1.9.5.i Committee on Teaching and Learning of the *Academic Faculty and Administrative Professional Manual* - CoFG

G. DISCUSSION

1. Student Success Initiatives
   - Paul Thayer, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs
   - Rebecca Martin, NASH
January 24, 2017 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEMS:

I. Minutes to be Approved

II. Items Pending/Discussion Items

A. Announcements

1. Next Executive Committee Meeting: January 31, 2017– 3:15 p.m. – Room 106 - Administration

Stromberger announced that the next Executive Committee meeting would be held on January 31, 2017.

Regarding the draft Inclusive Policy from Mary Ontiveros, please email any feedback. This will be on the agenda next week as a discussion item.

B. Action Items

1. Biennial Review for Discontinuance and Continuance of Centers, Institutes, and Other Special Units (CIOSUs) for the academic year 2016 (Reporting Period FY15 and FY16) – CUP

Eric Prince noted nothing out of the ordinary in the annual report/approval, except that reviews are in the fall now instead of spring. There are about 100 CIOSUs at CSU. Their committee reviewed about 35 this year, for either continuation or discontinuation.

Must be granted CIOSU status to have the CSU name on their website and to appear on the VPR website.

EC discussed the recommendation to discontinue one special unit – Vet Med and Diagnostic Center. Why is it being discontinued? Prince wasn’t provided details, only that it doesn’t consider itself a CIOSU anymore. There was some discussion as to whether a CIOSU should discontinue itself – is one reason so that it has less oversight?

Barisas moved (Glick 2nd) to place the Biennial Review for Discontinuance and Continuance of Centers, Institutes, and Other Special Units (CIOSUs) for the academic year 2016
(Reporting FY15 and FY16) on the February 7, 2017 FC meeting agenda.

Barisas’ motion was unanimously approved.

Reports

1. President – Tony Frank

Frank reported the following:

Board of Governors (BOG) meeting. Upcoming February meeting discussion is “accreditation”. December discussion was academic freedom.

Parking plan. There are just no great options that will make everyone happy. The parking staff looked at all the options. Frank has seen all the feedback. Next step is to roll out the latest plan to campus and get feedback one last time.

Budget. Nothing has really changed at the state level at this time. A 5-6% tuition increase is projected.

State Capitol: We are in for a really rough next four years. Universities will be the battleground for the social divide in our country. Universities are considered “liberals.” How do we maintain a tone of reason? There are groups on our campus that want us to be very vocal on certain issues to show support. There will also be groups off campus waiting for us to say something wrong. So, we will need to maintain a balance. We have liberal and conservative faculty and staff on our campus. In the end, we will protect academic freedom, but right now you can see bills introduced, such as expansion of free speech zones. Right now we protect residence halls as “student homes.” But without a dining hall in every residence hall, it is more difficult to defend (route between dorms and dining halls).

Frank’s report was received.

2. Provost/Executive Vice President – Rick Miranda

Miranda reported the following:
Last Friday afternoon, there was a research retreat for deans and research associate deans to discuss research success initiatives. Outlined new goals. Fund some of their goals over multi-year plan.

Semester at Sea: Launching a set of conversations between university and shipboard institute to discuss marketing, enrollment, financial aid, Title IX. We have completed our first voyage, so this gives us things to talk about now. Now we can improve a platform for regular communication. Tom Milligan will lead.

Visit from Southwest University in China. Concerts and dinner on Sunday evening. Looking to set up new programs, such as 2 + 2 and 2 + 1 programs.

Last night, Tony, Lynn Johnson, and Miranda visited the Student Fee Review Board. They make recommendations about student fees. The review board hears proposals re: adjustments of all fees: tech fee, facility fee, and alternative transportation fee soon. Important committee. They receive recommendations from UFFAB and UTFAB and incorporate those recommendations into their overall fee recommendations.

Miranda’s report was received.

2. Faculty Council Chair – Mary Stromberger

Stromberger reported the following:

Parking. There are going to be several information sessions later this spring semester. Will take questions and final feedback.

Update on Missouri and Iowa senate and house bills that call for removing tenure from public institutions. HB 266 is the Missouri bill; Senate File 41 is the Iowa bill--if you want to follow what is going on. They are in committee now. No news since last week.

Stromberger was approached by a group of faculty who have developed a statement of support for climate change research. Stromberger asked for clarity on the purpose of the statement of the letter – to whom is it directed and
whether it is going to a national organization that has some political muscle. She is seeking additional information. Stromberger signed it personally. Not taking it to Faculty Council until there is a clear purpose and impact that is understood. Otherwise, Faculty Council will get flooded by such requests this year. Will send the link to the statement to EC members so that they can read it.

Stromberger’s report was received.

3. Board of Governors Faculty Representative – Paul F. Doherty, Jr.

Doherty reported the following:

Next BOG meeting end of next week (February 1-3, 2017). Doherty has not seen the agenda yet.

Doherty’s report was received.

D. Discussion Items

1. UGO and UM Discussion

Glick moved (Clemons 2nd) to enter executive session
Glick’s motion was unanimously approved.

Clemons moved (Argueso 2nd) to exit executive session.
Clemons’ motion was unanimously approved.

2. ASSET Students (Steve Mumme)

Stromberger emailed EC members a draft statement from Steve Mumme.

Steve Mumme has worked with AAUP. Helped get a chapter going at CSU. Now working with the state group. Has been at CSU for 34 years. Here to present a draft statement of support for our “DREAMERS” on campus (n=125 students). A lot of fear right now that President Trump may rescind the DACA executive order and deport undocumented students (DREAMERS). Major political debate. Relates to our immigration policy; larger than CSU. Majority are from Mexican families; however, these
children have very little contact with their country of origin--their parents do, but not the children.

This is presented as an AAUP initiative but it really came out of discussions with Kathy Sisneros, etc. Could FC pass a resolution of support?

Mumme checked on other universities to see if they are making such statements. Saw UCLA’s statement and modified it. The draft resolution language – the only truly original part relates to the DREAMERS (paragraph 3). This statement sends a further message of support from faculty. The university is unified in support of these students. The university already does so through giving resources to the ASSET office.

Would this statement be directed to the ASSET students and President Frank?

Mumme: Yes.

EC discussed the draft letter, with a particular focus on paragraph 3.

Nancy Hunter, Troy Mumford and Angela Christian volunteered to craft a short statement for review at next week’s EC meeting.

3. CoFG proposed revisions to C.2.1.9.3 and C.2.1.9.4 (pending)

Executive Committee adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Mary Stromberger, Chair
Stephanie Clemons, Vice Chair
Rita Knoll, Executive Assistant