

The Intersegmental Committee of the Academic Senates - University of California - The California State University - California Community Colleges

# ICAS Meeting Minutes – Thursday October 30, 2025

#### **Roll Call**

(ASCCC) LaTonya Parker-Parnell, President; Robert Stewart, Vice President; Erik Reese, Treasurer; Eric Wada, Secretary, Stephanie Curry, North Representative; Austin Webster, ASCCC Interim Executive Director; Miguel Rother, Program Manager

(ASCSU) Elizabeth Boyd, Chair; Adam Swenson, Vice Chair; Tracy Dawn Hamilton, Secretary; Dana Nakano, Member-at-Large; Adam Swenson, Member-at-Large; Nola Butler-Byrd, Member-at-Large; Tracey McGuire, Program Manager

(**UCAS**) Ahmet Palazoglu, Chair; Susannah Scott, Vice Chair; Catherine Sugar, UCEP Chair; Dave Volz, BOARS Chair; Bradley Queen, UCOPE Chair; Monica Lin, Executive Director; Brenda Abrams, Principal Policy Analyst

## I. Consent Calendar

Action: Approval of October 30, 2025 meeting agenda. (Palazoglu, Curry)

#### **II.** Announcements

# a. Parker-Parnell, ICAS Chair, and Academic Senate for California Community Colleges (ASCCC) President

- The ASCCC is hosting their Fall Plenary on November 6-8.
- Credit for prior learning efforts continue in areas such as articulated high-school courses, advanced
  placement examination, international baccalaureate and college-level examination programs, and
  military service.
- CCN efforts recently reached phase III. Faculty convenings were held over the summer for 47 disciplines, with 44 of them developing CCN templates. Follow up surveys were sent to the field and CSU input was included on final versions.
- The ASCCC is focusing many efforts towards non-credit by looking at providing more affordable education to students, as well as pathway alignments as they pertain to workforce needs.

#### b. Ahmet Palazoglu, Chair, UC Academic Senate

- Chair Palazoglu stated that the UC Academic Senate is awaiting updates surrounding the recent
  announcement by the United States President regarding resuming nuclear arsenal systems tests. The
  UC currently manages two nuclear labs that may be affected by the announcement.
- Approximately 800 research grants at UCLA were suspended over the summer, putting in jeopardy over \$500 million in federal funding for the campus. This is an ongoing issue and topic of discussion for the UC Academic Senate. The UC Academic Council is calling upon the Office of the President and UC Board of Regents to reject governmental demands that compromise institutional autonomy and academic freedom.
  - o DOJ statement on the release of proposed settlement agreement to UC
  - o <u>UC Academic Council Statement Regarding any Potential Agreement with Federal Government</u>

- To assist with complying with AB656 the UC Senate, through the Coordinating Committee on Graduate Affair (CCGA), Academic Council, and the UC Provost, will evaluate each CSU doctoral program submission to evaluate for duplicates in existing or planned UC programs.
- With the recent immigration law changes, the UC is looking at identifying ways in which to support international students when enrolling.

## c. Elizabeth Boyd, Chair, CSU Academic Senate

- The ASCSU will hold their Plenary in the coming weeks.
- The CSU is looking at strategic priorities to include during the development of a new 3-year systemwide strategic plan initiated by the Chancellor. In addition, the ASCSU is developing a strategic enrollment plan.

#### III. ICAS 2025-2026 Goals and Action Plan

Chair Parker-Parnell introduced the draft 2025-2026 ICAS action plan to the committee. The group discussed concerns and provided suggestions for the document. It was noted that this document is intended to remain an internal document to help guide the work of the committee for the academic year.

Action: The three ICAS Chairs will take the input of the group and revise the document for approval at the December meeting. ICAS will review and revise the document as necessary going forward. (Butler-Byrd, Wada)

# IV. CSU/UC Update Regarding the State Audit Report

Chair Parker-Parnell provided a brief overview of this information item pertaining to CCC campuses. The ASCCC is working on a response to the legislature regarding the audit report attachment.

#### V. Reflection and Discussion on Cal-GETC for CCN Review

Wada discussed the May 29, 2019 ICAS memo pertaining to placement of CCC transfer students. The memo was intended to encourage receiving institutions to look at course outlines of record (CORs) for articulation and placement purposes. With the CCC COR development process being very thorough, and the CCN process being as rigorous or more, Wada asked that ICAS consider revising the memo to include CCN templates. The group discussed several concerns with accepting CCN templates for articulation and placement, including a lack of specificity around methods of evaluation.

#### VI. 2-Year Phase-out Process

Wada discussed the current 2-year phase-out process for Cal-GETC and asked the group to consider the possibility of developing a phase-out process for course-to-course major prep courses. ICAS discussed potentially agreeing upon a phase out process for major prep articulations that would allow CCC's to make adjustments as needed without losing articulation. Additionally, this would allow students an opportunity to complete the courses within the phase-out period and continue on their transfer paths.

## VII. Evidence Based Standard Setting

Volz provided a summary of the recent changes made by the college board in terms of the new Evidence Based Standard Setting (EBSS) system for scoring AP exams. The UC is currently working to gather input from BOARs, as well as the UC Academic Senate committees, to develop a memo that that can be distributed system-wide. Volz will provide the memo to ICAS once it has been released.

## VIII. Statement on Civil Rights, Academic Freedom, and the implementation of AB715

Butler-Byrd provided a background regarding California Assembly Bill 715, aimed at strengthening statewide civil-rights coordination. The bill is set to take effect on January 1, 2026, and some faculty have expressed concerns surrounding unintended consequences of the bill. Butler-Byrd provided the draft attachment Statement on Civil Rights, Academic Freedom, and the Implementation of AB 715, for ICAS to discuss and

consider taking action. The group discussed the document and did not come to consensus. This topic will be brought back to a future meeting to consider developing a document to be used as a guiding framework.

Meeting adjourned at: 3:09 PM.

Minutes prepared by: Miguel Rother