I. Call to Order

1.1 Chair Bruschke called to order at 1:00 PM

II. Introductions

III. Consent Calendar

3.1 MS in Comp Applied Mathematics

M/S/P (Dabirian/ Meyer) Motion to approve the consent calendar. Motion approved by acclamation.

IV. Announcements

4.1 Chair Bruschke will solicit volunteers to form the memo drafting sub-committee

4.2 The committee to consider amendments to existing UPS in the next meeting.

V. Approval of Minutes

5.1 M/S/P (Meyer/ Dabirian) Motion to approve minutes from December 16, 2022. Minutes approved by acclamation.
VI. New business

6.1 Bruschke: Semester overview

Presented by PRBC Chair, Dr. Jon Bruschke. He highlighted the work of the committee over the Fall 2022 semester. He then previewed the committee’s schedule for the Spring 2023 semester. The committee plans to review the results of the working groups, publish their annual budget recommendation memo to the President, and prepare their presentation to the Academic Senate. In preparation, he proposed that the committee consider the following observation as it drafts its budget recommendation. State support is rising faster than student growth. Academic Affairs is the largest proportion of the budget, but its budget is not allocated baseline. Lecturers bear the brunt of budget instability.

6.2 Lecture’s Council (Miller, Schneiderman, Ellis, Plouffe, Landeros)

Presented by Monishia Miller, Julia Schneiderman, Dr. Mark Ellis, David Plouffe, and Teresa Landeros. Their presentation described the challenges faced by professional academic lecturers. They note that lecturers bear much of the instructional workload at an institution like CSUF and that due to the contingent nature of their contract employment, many struggle with inconsistent schedules from term to term and need to secure concurrent appointments at several institutions. The panel proposed several solutions improve the working conditions of contingent faculty at CSUF. They include a commitment by CSUF to provide lecturer’s consistent scheduling, a clearer path to entitlement, improved compensation, and greater opportunities for professional development. The committee noted that it had submitted recommendations in the past that lecturers be offered full class loads when appointed.

6.3 RACE (Nick Henning and Aitana Guia)

Presented by Dr. Nick Henning and Dr. Aitana Guia. The presenters provided an overview of RACE, Researchers and Critical Educators, an organization of interdisciplinary faculty at CSUF committed to promoting excellent scholarship, applied research and discussion on the topics of race, ethnicity, class, culture, religion, linguistic diversity, disability, gender, sexual orientation and other issues of diversity. The group is advocating for systemic changes to eliminate the student equity gap and to foster an anti-racist climate. Among their proposals to the committee was the expansion of child care for faculty, staff and students and providing faculty with resources like course reassignment time to pursue relevant scholarship and research.

VI. Adjournment

M/S/P (Dabirian/ Meyer) Meeting adjourned at 2:14 PM

Respectfully submitted: Triana Ramos and Oliver Ravela