

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, FULLERTON

ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES OCTOBER 24, 2023

Approved 11-14-23

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM MH-141

Present: Bruschke, Garcia, Jarvis, Kanel, Milligan, Self, Shepard, Valdez

Absent: Swarat, Walsh

I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-chair Jarvis called the meeting to order at 11:30 am.

II. URGENT BUSINESS

- There are a couple of complaints from students that have been publicized on social media and in the Daily Titan against the VP of Student Affairs. The first complaint I saw is from the students who work in DIRC, that she is not communicating with them. Another complaint is from several Latinx student organizations about Dia De Los Muertos, and they have always organized that event and she is coming in and doing an event on the same day without consulting them. They said she tried to do the same thing on Indigenous People's Day, until a native organization spoke up and told her she couldn't do that. So, as Senate Exec, what can we do to support students and address this?
 - Q: Didn't we talk to her last year about her lack of collaboration?
 - A: That was centered around the Women's Center.
 - Q: Can you forward the articles you have to the rest of Exec so we can read them, digest them, and maybe come back next week with a little thought on them?
 - Q: There is going to be a meeting with the Advisory Board soon, should I say something about it? A: I would.
 - I would find out what her response is to these concerns.
 - Q: Does the chair of this body meet with the President?
 - A: Yes, once a month.

Suggestions:

- Since the Vice President of Student Affairs answers to the President, maybe we can share with the President of the concerns we have heard.
- Exec could ask VP Oseguera directly about the issues.
 - But if everything she does is in private and she has already been asked to address this and she hasn't, I don't know if private conversions will be helpful.
 - Exec encouraging VP Oseguera to do the right thing is probably not sufficient. I think us sharing with the President, that this is not a one off thing or a random student complaint, but that we believe this has been an ongoing issue and we have asked VP Oseguera to address it and she hasn't. We can ask the President to address it.
- Q: Could we do a resolution on this at the Senate?
- Q: Is this something we can bring it up as urgent business at the Senate? Or is this something for the Diversity & Inclusion Committee to look into? Because this is specifically students of color and cultural organizations saying they are being dismissed.
- Q: Do you think our Diversity & Inclusion Committee would do something to take action?
- A: They don't have any authority over the Vice President of Student Affairs.

- The Executive Committee should first try to gather some facts. The article is an opinion article, in which the complaints are vague or unclear about a general lack of communication from leadership. We should get clarity about what are the actual concerns and then have VP Oseguera an opportunity to provide some sort of explanation or defense before we think about a resolution.
- If the President can resolve it, great. If not, the maybe the Senate floor is where it happens next.
- There is an issue in College of Business & Economics. There is an email put out by Titan Magazine, talking about Titan Capital Management, a program in the Finance Department founded by Professor Micheal Milligan. The article said the program was founded and funded by Jeff Van Hart. Professor Milligan emailed the author of the article informing them that he had started the program, which was confirmed by the Dean and department chair. The author of the article said they would pull the article and rewrite it. The rewrite was unacceptable, and Professor Milligan has asked for them to print a retraction.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

> (Jarvis) I guess I am now Senate chair. The Constitution says the vice chair assumes the duty of the chair, doesn't say it becomes the chair. I will ask the Constitution Committee to weigh in on this.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- ➤ M/S/P (Shepard/Valdez) Motion to approve the minutes. Minutes approved.
- 4.1 EC Minutes 10-17-23 (draft)

V. CHAIR'S REPORT

- (Jarvis) I will be doing dual duties for the remainder of this semester, chairing Politics, Administration, and Justice and the Senate.
- Once I get clarification for the Constitution Committee, which I suspect they will say the vice chair becomes the chair, that will leave an opening of the vice chair position. We will hold the election for vice chair at the November 2nd AS meeting.

VI. STAFF REPORT

➤ The photographer will be at the November 2nd AS meeting to take pictures of the new Executive Committee.

VII. COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

- 7.1 ASI Board [Walsh], T, 10-17-23, 1:15 3:45 PM, TSU Legislative Chambers No report submitted.
- 7.2 Diversity & Inclusion Committee [Garcia], T, 10-17-23, 1:00 2:00 PM, PLS-360
 - Today's meeting focused on the report from the subcommittee that was created at the last meeting to review the Academic Senate Bylaws and the Chair's concern for lack of transparency from the Senate Exec regarding revising UPS'.
 - The subcommittee asked for clarification on the mission of this committee. None was provided.
 - The majority of the committee desires Cecil to have a designated seat by inserting a more specific title in the bylaws.
 - It came up that the committee has 2 members who have been designated by the Provost, and in the bylaws, it states one should be designated by the Provost.
 - It also came up that we have two staff members and no Exec liaison. I reminded the committee that I serve as the liaison, and I happen to be a staff member. The second staff member they were referring to was Cierra. Informed them she is not in the Senate and is in the Office of the Academic Senate.
 - The Chair is concerned with the lack of transparency from Senate Exec regarding UPSs that are being revised. She would like a list of UPS's that are being reviewed and their status.
 - The chair is also concerned with the email that was designated to this committee does not exist anymore.

- Megan Graewingholt and I explained to the committee the structure of Senate Exec and the role we have when it comes to UPS's and moving them to the Senate floor.
- The committee also discussed changing of the committee's name. No suggestions were provided at this time.
- 7.3 Assessment & Educational Effectiveness Committee [Swarat], W, 10-18-23, 1:00 2:15 PM, Zoom
 - AEEC met on 10/18/23. Notes below:
 - Two new members joined Round of introduction took place.
 - The committee continues to address WSCUC interim report recommendations:
 - The panel recommends that CSU Fullerton:
 - Give increased attention and development to Graduate Learning Goal #6: Students demonstrate social responsibility within diverse communities and in an interdependent global community (CFRs 2.2b, 2.3, 2.4, 2.6)
 - 2. Continue to address obstacles hindering graduate students from completing their degrees, with a particular focus on students' personal health and wellness (CFRs 2.10, 2.13)
 - Chair suggested that we craft prompts to seek information from the departments via the AEEC members, including questions about the integration of diversity learning goal in curriculum and about awareness of health/well-being resources. The prompts will be shared in the next meeting for the committee to review.
 - Su updated the committee on ongoing assessment activities, including academic program annual assessment reporting and GE assessment faculty learning community launch.
 - Dean of HSS asked if we could assess the potential impact of the upcoming GE changes on GE learning goals. Su will bring this to the Director of GE to take a look.
 - The group agreed to continue meeting on zoom.
- 7.4 Writing Proficiency Committee [Garcia], F, 10-20-23, 9:00 11:00 AM, Zoom
 - Announcement: Leslie Bruce provided information regarding a Webinar about AI Pedagogy is scheduled for October 26 at 11 AM
 - Minutes from 9/15/2023 were approved.
 - Reviewed the following proposals for Curriculog:
 - o Approved: AMST 350-01 Seminar in Theory and Method of American Studies Fall 2022
 - Approved: HIST300B (Historical Writing): Four Research-Paper-Related Writing Assignments
- 7.5 Faculty Affairs Committee [Walsh], F, 10-20-23, 10:00 AM 12:00 PM, MH-141 No report submitted.
- 7.6 Academic Standards Committee [Jarvis], F, 10-20-23, 1:00 2:00 PM, MH-141
 - · Quorum achieved.
 - Elect Chair: Fisher/Robinson (Fisher Fall, Robinson Spring)
 - UPS 300.006: A lot of discussion about challenge exams. This policy is incorporating a big change from the EO, so it will take a lot of time. Other sections may go faster, though.
- 7.7 Planning & Resource, Budget Committee [Bruschke], F, 10-20-23, 1:00 2:30 PM, PLS-299
 - Amir presented budget examples, only descriptive review of terms and processes.
 - President reviewed her budget response memo. IMHO, little connection to prior budget memo, but acknowledged need to link budgets to enrollments. We anticipate future student growth to help the system make target.
 - Will review COACHE and lecturer survey in the future.
- 7.8 General Education Committee [Bruschke], F, 10-20-23, 2:00 4:00 PM, Zoom

Extensive discussion of a Senate resolution to oppose the unified pathway model, mostly on the basis of the 6 units that would be lost are especially valuable. Overall mood was strong support for the resolution.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 8.1 Academic Budgeting (Discussion item) (tabled until next meeting with Provost)
- 8.2 Search Committees
 - Dean of Health and Human Development
 - > Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences

Exec discussed the name submitted by either self-nomination or nominations from other faculty in the departments. An email will be sent out to faculty asking them to serve. Once we receive an acceptance, the faculty member's name will be added to the consent calendar for the next Academic Senate meeting.

- Deputy Provost
 - Exec will work on the membership at the next Exec meeting.
- 8.3 Faculty Committee Assignments for Standing Committees
 - Faculty Affairs Committee HHD

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- 9.1 Revisions to UPS 100.700 Revisions to UPS 100.700 Formation and Review of Campus Centers and Institutes
- 9.2 360 Evaluations of Deans (Discussion item)
- 9.3 GE Course Proposal Fall 2023
 - This document will be added to added to the next AS agenda.

X. ADJOURNMENT

M/S/P (Garcia/Shepard) Meeting adjourned at 12:50 pm.