Executive Committee Minutes
March 16, 2015
Noon to 1:30 p.m., ADM 167

Present: Frazier, Kimbarow, Shifflett, Terry, Sabalius, Brada-Williams, Miller (12:35 p.m.), Feinstein, Peter, Grosvenor, Qayoumi, Backer

Absent: Bibb, Heiden

1. The committee approved the Executive Committee minutes of February 23, 2015 as amended (11-0-0).

2. The committee approved the Executive Committee minutes of March 9, 2015 (10-0-1).

3. The committee discussed and agreed to change the Sense of the Senate Resolution proposing a non-instruction day on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving to a Policy Resolution. Senator Sabalius will include information from the Spartan Daily Article on the cost of student travel right before Thanksgiving, and will forward to Chair Heiden. Chair Heiden will review and send to the committee for an email vote.

4. The committee discussed several honorary doctorates that were recently approved and will be presented at the Honors Convocation and Commencement.

5. The Chief Diversity Officer Search Committee will hold its first meeting next week.

6. The committee discussed equity programs. The Provost and President have spent countless hours looking over the data, and are still reviewing it.

7. Associated Students is conducting a search for a new Executive Director.

   Last Wednesday AS passed a resolution on SSETF.

   Banners have been erected on 4th Street, 7th Street, and 10th Street.

   AS was concerned they would have to dip into their reserves to buy furniture for their new offices, but the managers worked hard and were able to contain costs and find enough in their existing budgets for furniture.

   AS elections are currently underway. AS has a goal to get 17% of students to vote in this year’s elections.

8. Committee Updates:
   a. Organization and Government Committee (O&G):
      O&G is working on reducing the size of the Strategic Planning Board (SPB) and the Strategic Planning Assessment Agency (SPAA). The committee has come up with the charges for both committees, and will be working on the election/appointment process today.
Senators Grosvenor and Backer will meet regarding WAS next week.

b. Curriculum and Research Committee (C&R):
   C&R is working on a waiver of the Physical Education requirement for Nursing Programs. C&R is continuing to review the WST, and Credit by Exam Policies, as well as Executive Order 1064.

c. Instruction and Student Affairs Committee (I&SA):
   I&SA is working on the Academic Integrity Policy, and online course cancellations and instructor drops.

d. Professional Standards Committee (PS):
   The PS Committee is working on the Retention-Tenure-Promotion (RTP) Policy, and Electronic Dossiers.

e. University Library Board (ULB):
   The ULB would like a time certain for the final reading of the Library Policy at the next Senate meeting on April 6, 2015.

9. The meeting adjourned at 1:24 p.m.