

Minutes of the Executive Committee
June 7, 2012
2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., ADM 167

Present: Von Till, Heiden, Bros-Seemann, Bibb, Junn, Qayoumi, Peter, Lessow-Hurley, Ng (late)

Absent: Nance, McClory, Du, Bussani, Worsnup, Kimbarow

Guests: Poole, Bussalachi, Sabalius

1. The Executive Committee received an update on the budget. SJSU's budget cut could be as high as \$36 million. For 2012-2013 this means that we would have to cut \$16 million from our budget, while covering the rest with reserves. SJSU should not have to resort to layoffs for 2012-2013, but other campuses might. The 2013-2014 budget will depend on taxes. We will have a better picture of where we stand in November after the election.

Previous ways that the university has dealt with budget cuts will not work any longer, including reducing enrollment and not filling faculty positions. The number of tenure/tenure-track faculty is already extremely low.

The Executive Committee discussed several possible ways to increase revenue such as making all graduate programs self-support with no tuition discount, cutting State University Grants (SUGs), and/or changing the employer/employee benefit ratio.

2. The Consent Calendar was approved with No Nays or Abstentions.
3. The Executive Committee discussed nominations received for the Review Committee for the Dean and AVP of International and Extended Studies (IES). There were no staff or student nominees. The committee decided to postpone the selection until the July Executive Committee meeting.
4. The Executive Committee discussed the President's Advisory Committee on Enrollment (PACE). This committee previously had two Senate representatives on it, but has not been active. A member noted that there is an Executive Order that requires each campus to have an Enrollment Advisory Group.

The Executive Committee was informed that there had previously been a Senate Enrollment Committee that had been merged with the Student Success Committee, and that the Student Success Committee had taken over the Enrollment Committee's charge in 2000-2001. A member commented that PACE was established at a much later date.

The Executive Committee discussed the Information Technology Governing Board. This board has not been active since the CIO left. The committee was informed that the Senate had a University Information Technology Board, but University Policy S05-2 dissolved the University Information Technology Board. In addition, S05-2 recommended that the President also dissolve his IT Task Force and forward their final recommendations to the University Planning Council as part of the Strategic Planning process.

The Executive Officer will look into these committees and determine if they should be reconstituted. A member noted that there are other ways to give and get feedback without setting up additional committees.

5. SJSU has 45 programs that require over 120 units. The Chancellor's Office has asked us to look at all the programs with over 120 units to see which ones we really need. The SJSU campus activity requirement brings some classes over 120 units. The Executive Committee discussed the possible savings and ramifications of dropping activity classes. The savings could be as high as \$550,000. However, a member noted the national obesity problem. It was suggested that an activity component could be incorporated into class sections.
6. MIT has agreed to partner with SJSU to test a pilot online Circuit and Electronics Course. MIT and Harvard each received a \$30 million grant to create online classes that are accessible to people worldwide. Approximately 120,000 people signed up for MIT's first Circuit and Electronics Course. MIT will pay for three SJSU faculty members to travel to MIT for training. The Provost will also be looking to Stanford and Michigan for possible partnerships.
7. The meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

The minutes were taken and prepared by the Senate Administrator, Eva Joice, on June 7, 2012. The minutes were approved by the Executive Committee on July 30, 2012.