NOTE REGULAR LOCATION: ADM 167

1. Approval of meeting minutes of July 17
2. Consent calendar
3. President’s update
4. Update on Faculty Affairs
5. IRB appointment request: CHaHS
6. Weapons / firearms policy update (to replace S69-18)
7. University updates
   a. Statewide Senate
   b. Provost
   c. Chief Diversity Officer
   d. VP Administration and Finance
   e. VP Student Affairs
   f. AS
8. Policy committee updates
   a. ISA
   b. PS
   c. O&G
   d. C&R
Executive Committee Minutes  
August 16, 2018  
ADM 167, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Present: Frazier, Shifflett, Lee, Peter, Day, Sullivan-Green, Ficke, Wong(Lau), Marachi

Absent: Manzo, Riley, Faas, White, Papazian, Mathur

1. The Executive Committee minutes of July 17, 2018 were put on hold until the President can be present at the next meeting.

2. There was no dissent to the consent calendar of August 16, 2018 as amended by Senator Shifflett to add Lorri Capizzi to the Organization and Government Committee and remove Emily Slusser.

3. The committee discussed the AVP for Faculty Affairs position. Several members expressed concern about not having an AVP for Faculty Affairs whom the deans and chairs could contact when issues pertaining to faculty arise on a day-to-day basis; the suggestion was made to identify a point person. Other members expressed concern that the AVP for Faculty Affairs historically established the RTP (Retention-Tenure-Promotion) calendar and the Recruitment Guide each fall and wondered who would be handling those this year. It was clarified by the Provost that the Provost’s Office – the Provost or Deputy Provost – will be answering questions around RTP or other faculty affairs matters as they work through these processes (questions to be directed first to the Provost’s assistant). The suggestion was made for a subgroup of the Executive Committee to provide a summary to the Provost of duties / functions historically undertaken by the AVP for Faculty Affairs, and the Provost welcomed this idea.

4. The committee voted and approved appointing a candidate to the CHaHS seat on the IRB for a two-year term.

5. The committee discussed a policy proposal regarding firearms on campus that would replace S69-18. Members wondered why and how department chairs were to be ultimately responsible for firearms in the few instances in which they would be permitted on campus (e.g. as props for drama classes or in military science classes). A member suggested that the University Police Department (UPD) should keep and ultimately be responsible for all firearms or firearm props on the campus, unless they have serious objections to this procedure for some reason. The chair of O&G took these suggestions and will consult further with UPD and with department chairs.

6. Updates:
   a. CSU Statewide Senate:
The ASCSU has not met yet, but the key issues will probably be the independence of the Senate to make policy recommendations, and the College Opportunity Campaign and the Chancellor’s push to alter curriculum such as the removal of remedial Math and English.

b. Provost:
Graduate enrollment is down and this is of concern to the Provost. The Provost will be bringing in a consultant to do a market analysis on graduate programs, and she would like for the consultant to meet with the department chairs and deans to determine where changes should be made.

Q: Are these international or domestic graduate admissions that are down?
A: Mostly international, but the Provost will take a closer look at this.

C: Some programs, such as the MPA program, could easily expand if we had the resources to meet the demand.

c. VP of Student Affairs:
Student Affairs is concerned about enrollment as well and will be monitoring it. In addition, VP Day will be looking at the organization of Student Affairs to see if changes need to be made in resources or structure. VP Day will also be looking at the relationship between faculty and Student Affairs, and making sure Student Affairs is meeting all compliance requirements.

d. Professional Standards Committee (PS):
The PS Committee has six new members this year, and is missing an administrator with the AVP for Faculty Affairs seat being unoccupied.

PS will be working on a Sense of the Senate Resolution regarding faculty bullying, which it not a matter covered in the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Most of the bullying is faculty-to-faculty.

PS will be reviewing the Information Privacy Policy that the President vetoed to see if it can be amended.

PS asked for advice regarding the Academic Freedom and Professional Responsibility Policy. PS had hoped to split the policy and the Senate passed the first policy on Academic Freedom and it was sent to the President for approval. However, the President has not yet signed this policy, and PS cannot move forward until further notice. The committee suggested holding off on further action at this time.

e. Organization and Government Committee (O&G):

f. O&G was going to bring the constitutional amendment passed by vote of the faculty and the Senate as well as the bylaw change that would have added AVPs
to the Senate back for another vote in the Senate this coming semester. With the current change underway in the AVP for Faculty Affairs position, advice was asked for regarding whether to move forward or wait until a decision is made about what replaces the AVP for Faculty Affairs position. The Executive Committee suggested that O&G table the matter for the time being.

7. The meeting adjourned at 2 p.m.

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