

**Minutes of the Executive Committee
September 12, 2011**

Present: Von Till, Qayoumi, Heiden, Gleixner, Bussani, Nance, Ng, Sabalius, Kaufman, Bibb, Bros-Seemann, McClory, Kimbarow, Selter

Absent: Kolodziejak

1. The Executive Committee voted and approved the minutes of August 17, 2011 as written.
2. The Executive Committee voted and approved the minutes of August 29, 2011 as written.
3. The Executive Committee voted and approved the consent calendar as amended by AVC McClory.
4. The Executive Committee discussed nominees for the Provost Search Committee. There were three nominees that did not provide the required statement of interest. The committee agreed these three individuals should be disqualified. The size and scope of the committee was discussed and it was agreed that, to better facilitate meeting times, the committee would be smaller than the Provost Search Committee of 2009. There will be representatives from each college or unit that forwarded nominees, MPPs, staff, and students. The Senate Administrator will forward the names of the nominees and their statements to the Chief of Staff, Veril Phillips.
5. The Executive Committee discussed the Strategic Planning Board. AVC McClory will initiate a call for nominations for the five faculty-at-large seats on the committee with a deadline for nominations being September 21, 2011.
6. The Senate Administrator expressed concern that there are only five faculty nominees for AVP Sutee Sujitparapitaya's Review Committee. VP Nance will send out an appeal to the administrators on campus.
7. The Senate Retreat will be held on Friday, February 3, 2012, in Engineering 285 and 287. The exact time and topic are still being discussed. Please send topic suggestions to Vice Chair Heiden.
8. Updates:
 - a. From the President:

The Town Hall meetings have been going strong and although the groups have been small, the President has received many quality comments and suggestions. The first Town Hall meeting for students will be held tonight.

The Executive Committee approved Lucy McProud's appointment to CFAC.

b. From the Provost:

The AAMT held a retreat on September 2, 2011 to explore possible high priority AAD initiatives. The team chose e-learning as its top priority. Discussions are now underway to prepare plans for e-learning objectives and action items.

c. Curriculum and Research Committee: No report.

d. Instruction and Student Affairs Committee: No report.

e. Organization and Government Committee: O&G is proceeding with its plan to hold a hearing about the proposed realignment in the College of Humanities and the Arts. The committee crafted a memo with a request for written briefs in response to seven questions that were sent to the Dean on September 1, 2011 for distribution to the affected faculty. To date the committee has not received any responses. The committee will follow-up to ensure that the memo was distributed as requested.

O&G received two referrals. The first is to add a UCCD representative to the Senate. The second referral is to add the AVP of Faculty Affairs as an ex officio member of the Senate.

f. Professional Standards Committee: No report.

g. CSU Statewide Senate:

The Executive Committee discussed the issues surrounding presidential candidates coming to CSU Campuses for interviews. The CSU feels that eliminating these visits will increase the pool of candidates. A member noted that several candidates had withdrawn their names right before their candidacy would have been made public during the last Presidential search.

Based on the ACE data, the President noted that 50% of Presidents at U.S. universities are now 61 or older and less than 5% are younger than 50, whereas 20 years ago 25%-30% were below the age of 50. The President also informed the Executive Committee that there is not enough diversity among Presidents nationally.

Vice Chair Heiden shared a conversation with a Board of Trustees (BOT) member regarding the intent of the proposed policy change. The BOT would like to increase both the quantity and quality of the applicant pool, not eliminate campus visits. It is hoped that campus visits will continue, but can be held confidentially.