

Minutes of the Executive Committee
October 22, 2012
Noon – 1:30 p.m., ADM 167

Present: Von Till, McClory, Ng, Peter, Bros-Seemann, Poole, Nance, Du, Kimbarow, Lessow-Hurley

Absent: Qayoumi, Junn, Heiden, Bibb

1. Consent Calendar: Approved.

2. Committee and Office Updates

Instruction and Student Affairs: Working on enrollment priorities for former SJSU students who want to return to finish their degrees. Also working on minimum GPAs of students in Associated Students/student government.

Curriculum & Research: 1) PE—looking at various ways of adjusting the 2 units of PE, one of which is to fold one unit into an Area E GE course. Most departments prefer to find ways to reduce units in the major, but eliminate required breadth courses. 2) What would happen if all the departments knew what the graduation requirements were?

Professional Standards: 1) Revision of S98-8 RTP policy is in the information-gathering mode. Also looking at policy that was worked on 5 or 6 years ago that was approved by the Senate, but not signed by the President. 2) Evaluation of Teaching Policy: Will work with SERB for input on the policy as it combines the SOTE instrument and the peer (classroom) observation/reviews. 3) Misconduct in research policy: Concern with how an investigation committee is constituted for review of misconduct in research, and where one can make an appeal if they didn't agree to the committee.

Organization & Management: Revising S06-7. The revision of the policy will look more closely at meaningful consultation in department and college reorganization. What is the process through which proposals are considered? What elements need to be in the proposal for reorganization?

The Athletics Board submitted a referral regarding changing the policy of committee chair elections. They are asking that the election of committee chair be deferred until fall, instead of spring. Rationale: They want newly seated members of the committee to have the authority to select the chair. If one committee changes their chair election, then what are the ramifications for all other committees and their chair elections?

C/R and OG working on a committee: Committee on Breadth, to address the issues around the 120-unit degree and the impact on the curriculum at SJSU. A question was raised about the ROTC policy at SJSU. The policy is currently suspended. Does the policy need to be rescinded? There will probably need to be some additional discussion around this.

AVP Student Affairs: Announcement went out to the campus re: smoking policy. The director of Student Health has been asked to look at what will be done with the smoking policy and assessment of the educational approach to no-smoking.

A question was asked about Asian Pacific Islander initiative. This is part of three system-wide initiatives targeting middle and high school students in building and developing college-going cultures in first generation college student communities. In the African American community it's Super Sunday, where campus Presidents outreach to African American churches; at SJSU Latino/Hispanic student outreach has been in conjunction w/College Board and the Mexican Consulate. Asian/Pacific Islander: SJSU is hosting an event on Nov. 3 on campus. Journey to Success is a system-wide initiative for APIs. CSU East Bay has held an event. Native American initiative: SJSU does not have as large of a presence of Native American students on campus as other CSU campuses, so there has not been any programs of this type.

Statewide Senator's Report: Chancellor's office put out a report card on politicians and their support for higher education and CSU.

Early Start Report: Showed the results from the summer remediation and students who have not enrolled in remediation (advising holds placed on students for non enrollment).

President's Office: Interviewing VP for Advancement, interviewees being brought to campus in the next few weeks.

Recording of Senate Meetings: A student from Update News appeared at the last Senate meeting and wanted to record the Senate meeting. But student did not have a waiver for attendees for recording and the presumption was that if recorded, the meeting would be aired on Update News. Can Senate meetings be recorded for news stories? As another issue for discussion: Do we want to have Senate meetings recorded and archived? What type(s) of permissions would be needed for such recordings?

3. The meeting adjourned at 1:35 pm.

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