

Executive Committee Minutes

November 17, 2014

Noon to 1:30 p.m., ADM 167

Present: Feinstein, Frazier, Heiden, Kaufman, Kimbarow, Shifflett, Backer, Peter, Terry, Sabalius, Brada-Williams, Bibb, Qayoumi

Absent: Daniels

1. The committee approved the consent calendar as presented (13-0-0).
2. The committee approved the minutes of October 27, 2014 as written (13-0-0).
3. President Qayoumi discussed the honorary doctorate candidates and the process in the CSU.
4. President's update
 - a. SJSU is eligible to be a HIS serving institution. According to the Fall 2014 census, 26.38% of the undergraduate FTES is Latino/a.
 - b. SJSU has been designated as a National Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance/Cybersecurity Education for 2014-2019. This gives SJSU eligibility for certain grants and funding. The U.S. Patent office had a conference on cybersecurity last week. One of the major areas in which they are interested is intellectual property.
 - c. SJSU was notified recently that the campus is allowed to handle its construction projects on the campus. Chris Brown has been responsible for facilitating this.
 - d. Board of Trustees: two key items were the Student Success Fees and the contract.
 - i. Student Success Fees: There was a discussion of the student input regarding student success fees. SJSU students would like to vote on the SSETF fees. The timeline is that a survey would be distributed to students by Spring. There was a discussion of the carryover of last year's SSETF funds. Josee Larochelle will be sending out the letters soon.
 - ii. Contract: SJSU, in particular the President's cabinet, is going to look at equity adjustments for faculty and staff, also considering the financial constraints at SJSU. The President's cabinet will be looking at the issues involved with the faculty salary increases. There was a discussion regarding implementation of the new contracts.
 - e. The President will be working with Chair Heiden regarding a call for nominations for the VP of University Advancement search committee.
 - f. There will be one-time funding of \$6 million to Academic Affairs allowing the colleges to work on projects as indicated by the Academic Priorities plan.

There is a draft document on the Provost's website. There are three teams composed of AALT members in each of the three focus areas (*21st Century Teaching and Learning Spaces, Educational Excellence, and RSCA and Professional Development Support*). The Division will set priorities as to how the money will be spent.

- g. The Photography move from the Science building to Industrial Studies has finally been scheduled. The estimated cost is \$1.1 million.
5. A Trustee visit by Stephen Stepanek is scheduled for Monday, 12/1/2014. Chair Lynda Heiden will work with Zayna Fakhreddine on the schedule.
6. Graduate Studies/Office of Research. Provost Feinstein asked for input on the proposed name of the Research office. A list of names used at the other CSUs was distributed on behalf of AVP Stacks. There was a discussion of possible names.
7. Discussion/Updates
 - a. Assigned Time. There are two aspects to assigned time. According to the Provost, there appears to be inconsistencies across campus in the allocation of assigned time. There is approximately \$10 million is assigned time used at SJSU.
 - b. Assigned time in the new contract: The Senate was assigned the task of forming faculty committees to determine allocations for the new assigned time provided for in the contract. There will be approximately \$1.3 million in new monies available to the entire CSU system; allotments to individual campuses will be small. Discussion regarding implementation will be ongoing.
8. University Library Board (ULB). Senator Bethany Shifflett gave an update. The ULB is going to send out a survey regarding library use, and will conduct focus groups.
9. Senate Retreat. Senator Michael Kimbarow gave an update about the retreat. It is likely that the Tower Foundation will present an update and get input about the next campaign.
10. Cisco FAQs. There was a discussion of the Cisco contract. VP Bibb answered questions about the contract and the responses given to the SJ Mercury News. A request was made to expand the FAQs to include ongoing questions; however time did not allow adequate discussion. This will be included on the next agenda.
11. The meeting adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

These minutes were taken on 11/17/14 by the Senate AVC Patricia Backer. Edits were made by the Senate Chair on 11/21/14. The minutes were approved by the Executive Committee on November 24, 2014.