

AGENDA

Academic Senate – Executive Committee

October 16, 2017, noon-1:30, ADM 167

Lunch provided

1. Approval of meeting minutes of October 2
2. Consent calendar
3. President's update
4. Deans' search committees – COE and Science
5. Lottery funds
6. University updates
 - a. Chief Diversity Officer
 - b. VP Administration and Finance
 - c. VP Student Affairs
 - d. AS
 - e. Statewide Senate
 - f. Provost
7. Policy committee updates
 - a. C&R
 - b. PS
 - c. ISA
 - d. O&G

Executive Committee Minutes
October 16, 2017
Noon – 1:30 p.m., ADM 167

Present: Frazier, Shifflett, Wong(Lau), Manzo, Peter, Schultz-Krohn, Mathur, Lee, Van Selst, Papazian, Feinstein, Faas, Sullivan-Green

Absent: Riley, Willey

1. The minutes of October 2, 2017 were approved.
2. There was no dissent to the consent calendar of October 16, 2017.
3. Updates from the Administration:

a. From the President:

The President has been focused on the fires and helping our colleagues and students in the North Bay. Our faculty, staff, and students have been very supportive in offers of help. The President gave a shout-out to our former Dean of Humanities and the Arts, Dr. Lisa Vollendorf, who is now the Provost at Sonoma State. Dr. Vollendorf has been working very hard to find housing and provide emergency support for her campus despite being in danger of evacuation from her home. The latest news is that the fires may be contained by Friday. Sonoma State plans to open on Wednesday. Over 300 people lost their homes including the President of Sonoma State, Dr. Judy Sakaki.

The Vice President of Student Affairs search will begin soon. The President's Office will be sending out a call for nominations for members for the search committee.

The Wang Award announcement will go out soon.

Work is being done on a national level on Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA).

b. From the Provost:

In order to diversify committees and add diversity of thought as well, the Provost is adding one additional faculty member to the search committees for the Dean of the College of Science and the Dean of the College of Education, which is in accordance with the new Search and Review of Administrators University Policy, S16-8.

The Provost recently returned from a 3-day event at the Chancellor's Office where they focused on the Graduation Initiative. There was also a meeting of all the VPs from Academic Affairs and Student Affairs to discuss ways they could work together more collaboratively.

c. From the Chief Diversity Officer (CDO):

Diversity refresher meetings have been held recently for faculty search committees.

Fast facts to market the campus have been posted on the CDO's website.

There will be anti-bias training for athletes this coming Wednesday (October 18, 2017).

The CDO is working on a strategic plan for her office.

The CDO is looking into free speech education seminars for the campus.

d. From the Vice President of Administration and Finance (VPAF):

The VPAF has been looking at the Spartan Shops Operation and possible outsourcing of the food and beverage operations.

e. From Associated Students (AS):

Students are still expressing concern about Professor Aptekar's case.

AS is considering establishing a Student Health Advisory Committee.

AS is accepting Student Trustee applications.

f. From the CSU Statewide Senate:

An informal event is being planned in honor of Professor Sabalius, the new Faculty Trustee from SJSU.

4. The Organization and Government Committee is in the process of reviewing policies related to lottery funds, and the possibility of giving some of the functions that used to be under the Lottery Committee to the Budget Advisory Committee. Discussion in the Executive Committee included historical information regarding oversight and distribution of funds then turned to the more current use of lottery funds to support library acquisitions. There is a sense that faculty have lost control over the decisions regarding the lottery funds.

An important question is whether or not these funds are supplanting general fund support of the library. The President will look into this. The Provost noted restructured library funding this year to support library acquisitions.

5. The committee reviewed a Sense of the Senate Resolution presented by Chair Frazier on Executive Orders 1100 and 1110. Chair Frazier presented an amendment to add a new first Whereas clause to read, "Whereas, many of the principles contained in Executive Orders 1100 (Revised) and 1110 are sound and welcome (for example, the principle of providing additional academic development for those frosh in need of it, in order for them to succeed better and in a more timely fashion); and." The amendment passed (9-0-4).

Senator Shifflett presented an amendment to remove the first Whereas and Resolved clauses. Senator Shifflett withdrew her amendment.

Senator Peter presented an amendment to replace, "the content" on the second line of the first Resolved clause with, "elements of the content." The amendment passed, 9-0-4.

Senator Mathur presented an amendment that was friendly to the body to remove "various" in the third line of the second Resolved clause.

The committee voted and the resolution passed as amended (9-0-4).

6. The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

These minutes were transcribed by the Senate Administrator, Eva Joice, on October 24, 2017. The minutes were reviewed and edited by the Senate Chair, Stefan Frazier, on October 24, 2017. The minutes were approved by the Executive Committee on October 30, 2017.