

# AGENDA

## Academic Senate – Executive Committee

September 9, 2019 12:00- 1:30pm, ADM 167

1. Approval of meeting minutes of August 26, 2019
2. Consent calendar
3. Review of statements for consideration
4. President's Update
5. Update regarding AB 1460
6. University updates
  - a. VP Administration and Finance
  - b. Associated Students President
  - c. VP Student Affairs
  - d. Chief Diversity Officer
  - e. Provost and Senior Vice President
  - f. Statewide Senate
7. Interim VP, University Advancement, Peter Smits
  - a. Time certain: 12:45pm, discussion of SJSU Capital Campaign
8. Policy committee updates
  - a. Professional Standards
  - b. Curriculum & Research
  - c. Organization & Government
  - d. Instruction & Student Affairs

**Executive Committee Minutes**  
**September 9, 2019**  
**ADM 167, 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.**

Present: Mathur, Shifflett, Curry, Parent, Sullivan-Green, McKee, Del Casino, Frazier,  
Marachi, Peter, Wong(Lau), Day, White  
Absent: Papazian, Faas  
Guest: Smits

1. The Executive Committee approved the minutes of August 26, 2019 as amended by Senators Shifflett and Peter (13-0-0).
2. Update sent from Dean Elliott: Our advocacy through the passage of [SS-S19-1](#) *In Support of Increased Funding for the California State University System Electronic Core Collection* has resulted in an additional \$1 million in base funding for the CSU-wide electronic core collection of database and eResources.
3. The Consent Calendar was amended to remove “Flor Sario” from removals from the Campus Planning Board (CPB). The committee discussed the fact that Ms. Sario occupies a designated seat and cannot be removed or have a designee appointed without amending the structure of the CPB. AS will make a referral to change the seat structure to the Organization and Government Committee after they have discussion amongst their board and constituents. The motion to remove Ms. Sario from the consent calendar was seconded and approved until AS completes their discussion. There was no further dissent to the consent calendar.
4. The committee reviewed and approved uncontested faculty nominees for the University Library Board, Institutional Review Board, and Student Success Committee. The committee also approved one uncontested faculty and one uncontested staff nominee for the Budget Advisory Committee (13-0-0).
5. The committee reviewed and selected two staff nominees for the Strategic Planning Steering Committee (SPSC) from a pool of twelve very strong candidates.
6. The committee reviewed and selected one staff nominee for the Student Fairness Committee (SFC) from a pool of six very qualified candidates.
7. The president is unable to attend today’s meeting as she is part of a presidential investiture ceremony at another university.
8. Interim Vice President of University Advancement (VPUA) Peter Smits gave the committee an update on the Comprehensive Campaign. On July 1, 2019, the campus kicked off a 7-8 year comprehensive fundraising campaign. The aspirational goal is \$350 million. It was noted that everyone on the campus

should be active participants in the campaign and faculty are crucial for their connections and engagement in the campaign. Previously, we had retained an outside consulting firm to determine priorities and themes. However, prior to building the campaign there should have been a discussion at the campus for what we would like to raise this money; what are the campus priorities for funding?

Consequently, the VPUA has asked the Deans to come up with three transformational ideas for changes needed. In October they will meet at a retreat with VP Smits to refine and vote on those ideas. At the end of the retreat they hope to have 8 to 12 big ideas that will become university-wide goals of the comprehensive campaign such as full-ride scholarships, a residential honors college (which the President and Provost support), etc. So, by mid-to-late November, we will have concrete ideas for what we should be raising money. Then, VPUA Smits will conduct a feasibility study in which 50 people from the community will be asked what they think of those ideas (e.g., civic leaders, industry partners). In late January 2020, VP Smits hopes to have the priorities lined up and finalized. The Provost has talked with the Deans to ensure that their transformational ideas are aligned with the strategic plan (i.e., the strategic plan is the filter for these ideas). VPUA Smits will then have discussions with donors on what our visions are. He also provided information about alignments of the campaign with Tower foundation goals and priorities.

Questions:

Q. Some funding priorities are linked to infrastructure. How will those projects be funded within the campaign?

A. Donors decide what they want to give to. However, if philanthropy can fund other ideas, this will free up monies to spend on other campus priorities.

Q: Will donors be vetted?

A: Yes, we have clear giving guidelines and committee vetting process that we adhere to.

Q: Are some donations prohibited due to Proposition 209?

A: The VPUA reviews all donations to ensure they meet all policies and guidelines.

9. From the CSU Statewide Senate:

An update on AB 1460 was given. There was a lot of discussion about all of the resolutions supporting ethnic studies, but not AB 1460. Some of the chatter email included legislative funding for a fourth-year quantitative reasoning requirement, and the impact on rural /low-income students who may not be able to pass fourth year requirement due to limited course/instructor availability. One problem is that some groups are conflating low-income students with URM students. Discussion has also included how to push appropriations to provide sufficient funding for this initiative. There should not be detrimental effects for students coming in for admissions to the CSU. We need to examine what we are doing at this campus and the different ways to come at these curricular initiatives.

We should be showcasing what we have done and opportunities we have created for our students.

10. From the Vice President of Student Affairs (VPSA):

Our enrollment is at 36,084 students. Our first-year student enrollment is down a little bit, but our transfer student enrollment is up by 500 students. Our International Student enrollment is down about 100 students. We are at .2% of our enrollment target, which is an incredibly wonderful place to be.

11. From the Associated Students President:

The A.S. Operating Agreement has not yet been signed. They have been waiting for the president's signature for 9 months. The VPSA noted that the agreement will be reviewed by himself and the VPAF soon to provide guidance for the president.

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

These minutes were taken by the Senate Administrator on September 9, 2019. The minutes were transcribed by the Senate Administrator, Eva Joice, on September 13, 2019. The minutes were reviewed by Chair Mathur on September 20, 2019. The minutes were approved by the Executive Committee on September 23, 2019.