AGENDA

Academic Senate – Executive Committee

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

1. Approval of meeting minutes of December 2, 2019

2. Consent Calendar

3. Review draft: Sense of the Senate Resolution, Celebrating 20 Years of Service Learning at San José State University

4. University updates
   a. Provost and Senior Vice President
   b. Statewide Senate
   c. VP Administration and Finance
   d. Associated Students President
   e. VP Student Affairs
   f. Chief Diversity Officer

5. Policy committee updates
   a. Professional Standards
   b. Curriculum & Research
   c. Organization & Government
   d. Instruction & Student Affairs
Executive Committee Minutes
December 9, 2019
ADM 167, 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

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

1. The Executive Committee approved the minutes of December 2, 2019 (13-0-0) unanimously.

2. There was no dissent to the Consent Calendar of December 9, 2019.

3. The committee discussed the Senate Retreat. The retreat will focus on Faculty Success. There will be focus groups on faculty innovation and success as well as Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity (RSCA). Senator Peter and Professor Brent will also present a session on Academic Freedom and Professional Responsibility.

4. The Executive Committee discussed Sense of the Senate Resolution, Celebrating 20 Years of Service Learning at San José State University. President Papazian and Provost Del Casino discussed changes and Chair Mathur brought those to the Executive Committee for review. Some of the changes include a title change, the information about CCLL is in more of a historical perspective, also the resolution focuses on service-learning and provides recognition to our students, faculty, and community partners.

Senator Peter made a motion to remove the original Sense of the Senate Resolution from the table. The motion was seconded. The Executive Committee vote was unanimous. Senator Peter made a motion to accept the amended version of the Sense of the Senate presented by Chair Mathur. Senator Frazier presented a friendly amendment to add a hyphen between Service-Learning in the title. Senator Frazier presented an amendment to change, “that the university recognizes” in the first three resolved clauses to, “that the university recognize.” Senator Shifflett presented an amendment that was friendly to the body to remove “CSU Presidents and CSU Senates” from the distribution list. Senator Frazier made a motion to approve the Sense of the Senate as amended. The vote on the amended resolution was unanimous.

5. University Updates:
   a. CSU Statewide Senate:
      There was a meeting in Long Beach on November 13th and 14th, 2019. A memo on Campus Efforts to Fulfill Ethnic Studies was forwarded by Senator Curry to the Senate from the ASCSU Chair. Chancellor White spoke about his decision to retire. He mentioned several things he thought important. The Chancellor hoped full-time positions for contingent faculty
continue to be integrated across the campuses. A question was asked about campus safety. Chancellor White was provided a report about safety on all CSU campuses and it noted that there continues to be serious problems. The Chancellor indicated that safety continues to be a priority for the CSU. The last issue was about the general obligation bond. Also, the Chancellor indicated DACA continues to be important to the CSU and not just for students, but also faculty and staff.

Questions:
Q: Is anything else going to be asked regarding the Ethnic Studies Report that SJSU submitted?
A: Nothing has been asked. There are nine campuses that did not submit any information and the ASCSU is wondering why. Senator Curry will ask and get back to the committee.
Q: I would like to see students and Presidents push for what we want with the legislators.

b. From the Vice President of Administration and Finance (VPAF):
The steel for the Science Building is going up today and there is a large crane on that spot that is placing steel girders.

SJSU is the recipient of the city Downtown Association’s Golden Nail Award for the Spartan Recreation and Aquatic Center.

Questions:
Q: What is going on with the garbage cans at the MLK Library as you walk in? It is dripping inside the front doors.
A: VP Faas was not aware, and he will check into this.

c. From the AS President:
The deadline for Student Nominations for the Student Trustee to the CSU Board of Trustees is due on January 8, 2019. Student Trustee nominations must be made by the AS President (with interviews with the VP of Student Affairs). The AS House was supposed to be on the foundation by November 25, 2019, but is not complete yet. The AS President will notify the committee when the AS House will reopen.

AS is trying to help with the 2020 Census as best they can and are asking for volunteers.

AS elections will be the second full week of April 2020.

AS just appointed a Leadership Coordinator.

AS is having difficulty getting a new Director, but they keep will keep recruiting.
AS is looking at ways that they can assist with affordable housing on campus.

AS will be giving out free final materials including scantrons, pencils, etc.

Questions:
Q: How many student trustee nominations have you received so far?
A: One.

d. From the Vice President of Student Affairs (VPSA):
News is forthcoming about changes in safety for students on campus. It is complicated and is connected to our enrollment plan.

Fifty-four percent of high school students in California come from low income homes. Affordable housing is very important to us.

Questions for us to consider in enrollment management is what should the balance be between frosh and transfer students? It is highly likely we will have a smaller frosh class in the next five years. There are several things that are in the works that may contribute to smaller numbers, including free community college. Another question we need to think about includes whether we want to enforce first-time students living in housing? These are the type of questions we need to start asking ourselves.

Questions:
Q: It might help to look at what successes and failures other campuses and universities have had?
A: There are all sort of things we need to consider like more online universities/programs. Lots of Universities outside of California are now fishing for students in our backyard. They have amazing marketing. We have some time, but we need to find out what the competition looks like and what the trends are.
Q: What is going on systemwide with respect to this discussion?
A: I’m not sure. The president went to a system meeting and they are having some of those discussions right now. The CSU will approach this as a system, but we need to ask ourselves who we compete with. We need to position ourselves for what is best for SJSU.

e. From the Chief Diversity Officer (CDO):
CDO Wong and Vice Chair McKee will be charging the Committee on the Professional, Productive, and Ethical Expectations in Work Relations. The group will conduct their work until the end of 2020.

Deanna Fassett is putting together a faculty “Inclusive Teaching” badge process. The CDO is working on something for faculty like “Tip” that includes things like “inclusive pronouns.” The CDO has been working on educational opportunities and faculty recruitment trainings for faculty with the colleges of Science and Engineering. College of Engineering also has
some faculty search advocates trained by the CDO’s Office who will be working with search committees for their college.

The Campus Climate Survey Committee is about ready to submit the student for IRB approval. The survey dates are Feb. 25th through March 20th, 2019. The CDO will be doing Campus Climate parties with free items to encourage greater participation in the survey.

Questions:
Q: What is going on with internships? Stacy Gleixner stepped in last semester, but it is the end of the semester.
A: Chair Mathur will be talking with Thalia about it.

f. From the Professional Standards Committee (PS):
PS is grateful for data on last year’s tenure and promotion rates and thanks the Provost’s office and Faculty Affairs for providing these statistics.

The Board of Academic Freedom and Professional Responsibility asked that PS review and update some language in University Policy S14-3 Student Fairness Dispute policy that refers to the work of the board.

The “Banked Time” memo has been posted on the website.

g. From the Curriculum and Research Committee (C&R):
The GE Summit is coming up on December 13, 2019. There are about 100 people coming. We have a facilitator from East Bay. C&R will bring a first reading of a replacement policy on increasing flexibility for graduate programs.

h. From the Organization and Government Committee (O&G):
O&G will have nothing for the Senate this time. O&G is working on the Standing Rules for the first meeting in the spring, and then changes to bylaws.

i. From the Instruction and Student Affairs Committee (I&SA):
First reading of the TOEFL policy. Also I&SA is working on the Syllabus Template review. I&SA may bring the Instructor Drop policy to the Senate at the December 16, 2019 meeting. There will be a group of faculty testing the online Syllabus Template this spring.

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

These minutes were taken by the Senate Administrator on December 9, 2019. The minutes were transcribed by the Senate Administrator, Eva Joice, on December 9, 2019. The minutes were reviewed by Chair Mathur on January 17, 2020. The minutes were approved by the Executive Committee on January 27, 2020.