

**Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
March 7, 2011**

Present: Kaufman, Heiden, McClory, Peter, Lee, Bussani, Kassing, Selter, Ng, Kolodziejak, Von Till, Van Selst, Gleixner, Kimbarow

Absent: Laker

Guests: Nance

1. The Executive Committee reviewed and approved the consent calendar.
2. AVC McClory announced the following appointments to the Senate that were uncontested during the recent general elections. Patricia Swanson was appointed as a new Senator from the College of Education for a three-year term. Senators Gleixner, Desalvo, McClory, and Kauppila were re-appointed for three-year terms from the Colleges of Engineering, H&A, Science, and the General Unit. Senator Lessow-Hurley was also reappointed to the CSU Statewide Senate for a three-year term. The Executive Committee discussed and approved the following one-year appointments to Senate seats that were not filled during the general election, in accordance with Senate bylaw 1.6.2.c.:
 - a. Jay Johnson, CASA
 - b. Gwendolyn Mok, H&A
 - c. Kathleen McConnell, Social Science
 - d. David Terry, Social Science
 - e. Shannon Bros-Seeman, Science
 - f. Ken Wharton, Science
3. The Executive Committee approved the appointment of Rick Partridge as the Faculty Representative to the Associated Students Personnel Committee.
4. The Executive Committee discussed the nominations received for the review committee for AVP Joan Merdinger. It was agreed that an insufficient number of nominations had been received, and that Chair Kaufman would reopen the call for nominations through Friday, March 11, 2011.
5. The Executive Committee discussed the need for a temporary Budget Advisory Committee to ensure faculty have some input in budget decisions for the university. Chair Kaufman and Senator Van Selst will draft a Senate Management Resolution that proposes using the Executive Committee, plus two faculty members elected by the Senate, as the Budget Advisory Committee. This is a temporary measure until the Strategic Planning Board can be reestablished and convened this fall.

6. The Executive Committee discussed a proposal to establish designated smoking areas on campus. A member suggested that the faculty, staff, and students be surveyed again to ensure the Senate is doing what a majority of the members of the campus want.

A member suggested that the only way UPD could enforce a smoking policy is if they were allowed to cite everyone that is caught smoking in areas where smoking is banned. However, a member pointed out that a citation from UPD would put a misdemeanor offense on the offender's record. A widespread publicity campaign would need to be held for several months before the policy was enacted.

A member made a motion to change the resolution to a complete ban on smoking on campus. The motion was seconded. The Executive Committee voted and the motion was approved.

Senator Heiden will bring a first reading of the resolution to the March 14, 2011 Senate meeting, during which time a survey will be prepared and conducted on campus.

7. The Executive Committee discussed whether procedural guidelines for implementing university policy S06-7 should be made a part of the existing policy, or established separately. The Executive Committee decided that due to the immediate need for the guidelines, the Organization and Government Committee should bring a Sense of the Senate resolution supporting the proposed guidelines to the March 14, 2011 Senate meeting. The Organization and Government Committee will then review the original policy and decide if the guidelines should be incorporated at a later date.

8. The Executive Committee discussed the possibility of holding an Academic Freedom Forum for the campus. A member asked if the Senate had funds to pay for this event. Chair Kaufman responded that the Senate did not. Several members suggested creating a blog or a website instead that would use present scenarios and give solutions.

9. The Instruction and Student Affairs Committee is working on a policy to replace the Time, Place, and Manner Presidential Directive, and I&SA is considering bringing a proposal to create a University Hour to build campus community.

10. The Executive Committee discussed and approved a Sense of the Senate Resolution expressing Solidarity with the Faculty Senate at Idaho State (8-0-3).

(Minutes taken and prepared by the Recorder/Senate Administrator, Eva Joice on March 7, 2011)