

Senate Executive Committee Meeting

May 2, 2016

**12-2:30 ADM 167**

1. Lunch
2. Approval of 4/18/16 meeting minutes
3. Consent Calendar
4. Updates
  - a. Policy Committee Chairs
  - b. Cabinet
  - c. AS
5. SOS –AB 798 Open Educational Resources – Kathleen Harris: Time Certain 1:00 (Revised Draft Attached).
6. Faculty-at-Large Committee Nominations
7. AA/SA Student Success Plan (Feinstein and Blaylock)
8. Summer Meeting Dates:  
6/22, 7/13, 8/3, 8/17  
(12-2:00)

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Present: Kimbarow, Martin, Peter, Frazier, Shifflett, Heiden, Feinstein, Backer, Larochele, Lee, Mathur, Blaylock, Lanning, Amante, Kaufman

Absent: None

1. Chair Kimbarow thanked the policy committee chairs and the President and President's cabinet for all of their hard work this past year. The Senate passed the fourth largest number of policies in the history of the SJSU Academic Senate.
2. The minutes of April 18, 2016 were approved (15-0-0).
3. There was no dissent to the consent calendar of May 2, 2016.
4. Updates:
  - a. From the Organization and Government Committee (O&G):  
O&G will be pulling the Voting Rights policy from the May 9, 2016 Senate meeting.
  - b. From the Professional Standards Committee (PS):  
PS will be bringing the SOTE/SOLATE policy and email resolution to the Senate for final readings at the May 9, 2016 meeting. The options for the SOTE policy include referring back to SERB with instructions, or inserting Resolved clauses with language the Senate wants added.
  - c. From the Instruction and Student Affairs Committee (I&SA):  
I&SA will be bringing the Probation and Disqualification policy for a final reading to the Senate at the May 9, 2016 meeting.
  - d. From the Curriculum and Research Committee (C&R):  
C&R hopes to bring the Certificate policy back to the Senate for a final reading at the May 9, 2016 meeting if some complications that have arisen can be fixed.
5. Kathleen Harris from Open Education Resources gave a presentation regarding AB 798. The committee discussed AS 1614, Sense of the Senate Resolution, Supporting Efforts to Reduce Student Costs for Textbooks by Encouraging the Use of High-Quality Open Educational Resource Course Material. Concern was expressed that the AB 798 puts the burden of reducing costs on the faculty and does not address the skyrocketing costs

from the publishers. The committee discussed the language in the last resolved clause. Senator Shifflett presented an amendment after "798..." to read, "which advocates for the adoption of educational resources that result in a lowering of costs for students." Senator Heiden presented an amendment that was friendly to the Shifflett Amendment to change the last resolved to read, "Resolved, that while acknowledging this is only one mechanism to control the high cost of attending the Academic Senate..." The committee had further discussion that there is "required" language in the last Resolved clause that must be there or funding will not be approved. A motion was made and approved to return to the required language with the following added before the language, "Resolved, that the Academic Senate quotes the following required language,..." (7-2-6).

6. The committee discussed the Faculty-at-Large nominees for various Senate committees including the Accreditation Review Committee (ARC), the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention Committee (ADAPC), the Athletics Board, and the Strategic Planning Steering Committee. All nominees were approved except the nominees for the Strategic Planning Steering Committee. The Executive Committee voted to reopen nominations for another two weeks (8-0-6).
7. Updates:

From the Provost:

The Provost distributed his *Provost Outcomes Report 2016* for the committee to review and discuss. The Provost described the three priorities in the now concluding plan: 21<sup>st</sup> Century Teaching and Learning Spaces; Educational Excellence and Student Experience; Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity (RSCA) and Professional Development Support.

The Provost also distributed *SJSU's new Four Pillars of Student Success: College Readiness, Advising, Student Engagement and Clearing Bottlenecks* for feedback from the committee.

It is the Provost's goal to have an Associate Dean for Research in every college. The Provost has again allocated \$1 million to support RSCA this year. The Provost has also provided professional development funds to faculty and staff. Staff were especially appreciative and the Provost received many emails thanking him for the grants.

A suggestion was made that there is a need to give assigned time to faculty for faculty advisers. The committee discussed the difference in having staff general education advisers and faculty advisers in the majors in junior/senior years.

8. The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

These minutes were taken by the Senate Administrator, Eva Joice, on May 4, 2016, and edited by Chair Michael Kimbarow on May 12, 2016. The minutes were approved by the Executive Committee on May 23, 2016.