AGENDA

Academic Senate – Executive Committee

August 8, 2019 12:00- 2:00pm, ADM 167

1. Approval of meeting minutes of July 18, 2019
2. Consent calendar
3. President's Update
4. AS 1745, Sense of the Senate Resolution, Opposing AB 1460, While Supporting Ethnic Studies Programs at SJSU (Final Reading).
5. Weapons/Firearms Rescission Proposal
6. Policy committee updates
    a. Organization & Government
    b. Instruction & Student Affairs
    c. Professional Standards
    d. Curriculum & Research
7. University updates
    a. VP Administration and Finance
    b. Statewide Senate
    c. Chief Diversity Officer
    d. Provost and Senior Vice President
    e. VP Student Affairs
    f. Associated Students President

Executive Committee Minutes
August 8, 2019
ADM 167, 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

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

1. The Executive Committee approved the minutes of July 18, 2019 (10-0-0).

2. There was no dissent to the consent calendar of August 8, 2019. Calendar was amended to remove the statement from Diane Lee. It was noted that we should exclude such statements from the consent calendar in the future (i.e., instead have a separate nomination calendar that includes statements). The committee then discussed and voted to approve Diane Lee for appointment to the ULB (10-0-0).

3. The Executive Committee approved AS 1745, Sense of the Senate Resolution Opposing AB 1460 while supporting Ethnic Studies Programs at SJSU (Final Reading) as amended by Senators McKee and Del Casino (10-0-0). As the issue is time-sensitive, the senate will immediately send out this sense of the senate to the parties noted within the resolution. We will discuss the need for this resolution during summer recess in our first senate meeting.

4. The Executive Committee discussed AS 1746, Policy Recommendation, Weapons/Firearms (First Reading). Discussion centered around the need to update our current policy until the president could create a presidential directive on this issue. Once this directive was in place this proposed policy would sunset. A motion was made to table the resolution until after the Provost meets with the cabinet on Monday, August 12, 2019. The Provost will report back to the committee at the August 26, 2019 Executive Committee meeting. The motion was approved unanimously (10-0-0).

5. Policy Committee Updates:

    a. From the Organization and Government Committee (O&G):
    O&G is working on a referral to change the charge and membership of the Board of General Studies (BOGS). They are working on another referral to add General Unit seats to committees that do not have General Unit seats to accommodate the move of the School of Information Science out of the College of Health and Human Sciences (CHHS) and into the College of Professional and Global Education (CPGE).

    b. From the Instruction and Student Affairs Committee (I&SA):

I&SA is still working on the 18 referrals from the O&G Committee left over from the 35 they received last year. In the upcoming term, their priority will be on the student success and student support referrals.

c. From the Professional Standards Committee (PS; at the behest of the Provost the chair of the senate provided an update on the activities and plans of PS):
PS is awaiting the President's signature on the Late Add Guidelines for Retention-Tenure-Promotion (S15-7, Amendment H). The Provost will follow-up with the Chief of Staff and the expectation is that it will be signed once the president returns to campus. PS is also working on establishing a 2nd level of review needed now for the School of Information Science since they moved out of CHHS and into CPGE (a formerly non-academic college).

d. From the Curriculum and Research Committee (C&R; at the behest of the Provost the chair of the senate provided an update on the activities and plans of C&R):
C&R will be working on developing the University Curriculum policy, and updates to the General Education (GE) Guidelines of 2014. O&G requested that the Executive Committee establish a taskforce to review the GE Guidelines every five years. AVP Anagnos has established a taskforce to review the program learning goals for GE. That report was released earlier in the week.

6. University Updates:

a. From the Vice President of Administration and Finance (VPAF):
The Board of Trustees (BOT) have approved naming rights for the Event Center. It will be called the Provident Credit Union Event Center at SJSU. SJSU will receive $300,000 a year with a 3% increase each year that will be used to improve the Event Center. A public announcement will go out next week.

The VPAF is conducting interviews for the AVP of FDO with two highly qualified and interested candidates.

Questions:
Q: Are any efforts being made to get funds for the CSU from the legislature for the new Ph.D. in Occupational Therapy?
A: The VPAF doubts that the CSU will get any additional funding from the legislature for this. A member suggested that we go to the Chancellor's Office and ask them to bring this to the legislature.

Q: Are there any CSU scholarships for disadvantaged students in the CSU?

A: The likelihood that the legislature would underwrite tuition is low. We will have to work this out ourselves.

Q: What is the projected completion date for the new science building?
A: The foundation for the Science and Innovation Building is ready to go down. The building is scheduled to be finished in January 2022.

b. From the CSU Statewide Senate:
The Academic Senate California State University (ASCSU) does not support the legislature establishing curriculum for Ethnic Studies for the CSU (AB 1460). The Chair of the ASCSU went to committee to try to prevent the move to a full vote within the California senate.

The ASCSU elected committee chairs.

The ASCSU GE Taskforce Report is still being discussed in terms of implications at the state level.

Questions:
Q: Did the ASCSU vote to receive the GE Report?
A: No. They voted not to accept and not to reject the report. So, the status is currently in limbo until September.
Q: When are campus responses due to the ASCSU about the GE Report? Will we still be held to the October deadline?
A: Campus responses are due by October 15th. The SJSU GE special committee has been reviewing student responses and other data in preparation for forming SJSU's response.

c. From the Provost:
The Provost presented a draft of a new Organization Chart for the Provost Office. The Provost would like to present to it to the Senate at the September 16, 2019 meeting.

There are two new positions proposed including a Senior Director of Academic Budgets and Administration, and a Vice Provost of Institutional Effectiveness and Strategic Analytics. There are several possible new positions being discussed including a Director of Internship Programs, a Director of General Education, and a Director of Academic Scheduling and Space Management. There will no longer be any AVPs in Academic Affairs. The committee discussed what this would mean to the Senate structure. The committee further discussed what would happen to senate representation as the Office of Research is no longer within Academic Affairs.

The Coache Survey had a 51% [tenure/tenure-track] faculty response rate.

d. From the Associated Students President (AS):
AS is working on recruiting students for committees.
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An external review is currently being conducted of AS. The AS Lobby Core is also beginning their review of legislation and working on lobbying efforts. In April the AS Child Development Center (CDC) received the highest ranking in the Quality Rating Improvement System (QRIS) and received reaccreditation by NAEYC. AS received the highest rating for their inclusive room for children with disabilities.

Questions:
Q: Can the VPAF use the information regarding the CDC to put into the Washington Square Publication?
A: The VPAF suggested the AS President contact Public Affairs and they would be happy to do a write-up.

Q: Who is conducting the external review?
A: It is an outside agency.

Q: Who is involved in the AS lobby core?
A: There are nine students at large, four AS Directors, and the AS President. They lobby local and federal government regarding laws and changes to proposed legislation. The adviser is Carole Dowell.

7. The meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

These minutes were taken by the Senate Administrator on August 8, 2019. The minutes were transcribed by the Senate Administrator, Eva Joice, on August 22, 2019. The minutes were reviewed by Chair Mathur on August 23, 2019. The minutes were approved by the Executive Committee on August 26, 2019.