

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

Tuesday, January 25, 2022

2:00 – 4:00 pm

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N. Hultgren, P. Hung, D. Perrone, M. Aliasgari, C. Kang, N. Meyer-Adams, K. Zentgraf, K. Janousek, E. Klink, P. Soni, D. Hamm, A. Russo, J. Gonzalez, S. Apel, K. Scissum Gunn, J. Cormack, A. Kinsey

Absent: J. Hamilton

1. Call to Order- 2:02 pm
2. Approval of Agenda- MSA as amended
3. Approval of Minutes: Meeting of January 18, 2022- MSA
4. Announcements and Information- NH announces that many issues have been brought to his attention, such as problems with SPOT evaluations. He will try to meet with AVP Fleming regarding this. Dean Bennett also has amendments to the policy on Online instruction. He would like to add some flexibility to the policy. Shall we put this on the agenda in the future? JC states this is an important issue and needs to be addressed. EC agrees to discuss this issue. There has been a request from advisors to be added to the roster of CEPC as voting members. Will be on a future EC agenda for discussion. This will require a change to the CEPC charge to move forward. A new VP for URD search committee is going to commence in March, they need a faculty member, AS will send out a call for faculty members for this search. This search does not fall under the purview of the senate policy on searches.
5. Reminders
 - 5.1. First Academic Senate Meeting of 2022: Thursday, January 27
6. Special Orders
 - 6.1. Report: Provost Scissum Gunn- Administrative think tank last Friday was a great event. The keynote speaker was very provocative and a great start to the event. She advised viewing racial equity from a proportional standpoint. She challenged the current CSU equity metric. Afternoon sessions featured Beach data regarding privilege and classroom expectations, as related to GI 2025. Featured topics were retention profiles, campus DFW profiles, and exemplar work around attrition. Participants were asked the

challenges faced when developing strategies on our campus with our strategic priorities. Open ended comments were great and hoped to keep this momentum going? TT allocations will start soon for Fall '23. Hopeful that budget will allow increases in TT lines for fall 23. Sabbaticals will be announced no later than 3-1-22. DIPS announced by 4-1-22. AB 928 legislation website shared by Dr. Soni recently and thanks given to him. EC will discuss a plan for addressing AB 928 in the Senate.

- 6.2. Campus Repopulation Committee Update: Vice Provost Cormack- JC reports on the start of the semester, had 6.1% of courses on campus. Still looking at 2-7-22 as the date to resume FTF instruction. Students are registering their boosters. 3.8% of students will require weekly testing. Faculty and staff will have about 7.1%, who will need to test weekly. Queried if CO not opening until 2-28-22, would affect us? Not at this time. Decisions will be based on public health guidelines and positivity rates. JG suggests posting on social media at the same time as emails are sent to students, as students do not like seeing on social media prior to receiving personal communication. KZ states that if the CO does not go back until 2-28, this may appear as an equity issue, if CSULB is coming back prior to CO.

7. New Business

- 7.1. Equity Action Plan and an ad hoc or special Academic Senate committee- NH asks EC if we need a special committee to work towards making the Senate more inclusive, EC released a statement on anti-blackness, an equity plan was created June 2021. BFAS has asked if Senate has accomplished the goals from our equity plan. NH asks if EC can accomplish this task or if we need to form a committee to expedite this. Looking at the diversity of the Senate past and current is something we promised but have not had adequate time to accomplish. A meeting on a non-senate Thursday will be announced soon with all senators invited. EC is committed and values the work.
- 7.2. Review of COVID Equity in Faculty Evaluations Task Force document, "Lecturer Faculty Guidelines for Candidates and Evaluators"- these guidelines have been sent to us for approval so they can be circulated. NH asks EC if anything needs to be changed in these documents, as they have already been distributed via the CLA listserv and info sessions, which will be recorded, are scheduled for this week. EC agrees that senate should send out a memo ASAP about this. AA should review the recordings for quality assurance.
- 7.3. Streamlining future Academic Senate meetings- Tabled for next meeting.
- 7.4. Discussion of next ASCSU report at Senate- Tabled for next meeting.

8. Old Business

- 8.1. [TIME CERTAIN 2:40] Retreat update- NH provided updates to EC on retreat planning. The catering is still not resolved but will likely be finger foods. Ann has reached out to many resources on campus and are looking for suggestions for others.
- 8.2. [TIME CERTAIN 3:00] Request for support related to ASI Resolution 2021-14: Defund University Police Department and Redistribute Funds to Mental Health Services

Guests: Lindsay Apaza, Executive Vice President, Associate Students Inc.; Randall

Santiago, Students for Quality Education- Guests RS, LA, Fernando Gil, John Barcelona and Luis Ortega presented the ASI resolution to defund the University police department. The resolution was explained to EC, was written by students, SQE, LaFUERZA, and ASI. This started in 2017 due to a student killed in Humboldt outside of campus. In their opinion, the police did not respond appropriately. They believe that funds should be diverted from UPD to be used in other parts of the University, specifically CAPS for mental health resources. CAPS currently has a very long wait time to meet with counselors and receive help. Helping students' mental health aids student success. In contrast, the police often have a negative effect on students who are Black or Brown. Sexual assault is also under-reported. They feel UPD does not prevent crime, they merely respond to it. They feel mental health help would be more beneficial to student success. Mental health funding is more of a preventative model than is police funding. It will improve how students are treated. This body is asking that the AS approve and support their resolution. Students facing a mental health crisis currently have to deal with UPD rather than a mental health professional. Not enough CAPS counselors to support students. They hope to eventually bring the resolution to President Conoley. NH reminds the students that the Senate does not have budgetary power. EK states that the upcoming budget will have increased funding for mental health services. MA agrees that our campus needs to devote more funding to mental health. He asked if there is no UPD, what would campus safety look like? Who would provide campus safety? RS states they do not want to get rid of UPD completely, just to reimagine a different public safety. Perhaps stop hiring, decrease funding for weapons. KSG says the language of the resolution may need to be edited to avoid triggering terms, like defund vs demilitarize.

8.3. Sticking points in revisions to PS 08-11: Accessibility and Faculty Responsibility for the Selection of Instructional Materials. NH is meeting with AIMC to see what must be the policy. DP and DH have amendments.

9. Adjournment- 4:02 pm