

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

Tuesday, April 20, 2021 2:00 – 4:00 pm

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Present: J. Pandya, P. Shankar, P. Hung, M. Aliasgari, C. Kang, N. Meyer-Adams, K. Zentgraf, N. Schürer, I. Julian, P. Soni, D. Hamm, K. Bonetati, J. Hamilton, S. Apel, B. Jersky, J. Cormack, A. Kinsey

Absent: E. Klink, K. Janousek

1. Call to Order- 2:02 pm
2. Approval of Agenda- MSA
3. Approval of Minutes: Meetings of April 13, 2021 – MSA as amended
4. Announcements and Information
 - 4.1. Check out PDs (in 4-27-21 folder) before 4-27-21
 - JZP reminds EC members to review the PDs for three positions (including Dean of College of Continuing Education; Associate Dean of Graduate Studies, and Assistant VP of Student Success) before next week's EC meeting.
 - 4.2. 4/29 Campus Conversation (PECC topic) cancelled; new one?
 - PECC will hold its townhall event tomorrow in lieu of the AS campus conversation. EC has agreed not to hold another campus conversation on 4/29.
 - 4.3. 5/6/21 meeting policy only?
 - No. ASI President, Omar Prudencio Gonzalez, will be speaking at meeting.
 - 4.4. Student questions about communication about Fall 21 schedule, outdoor seating, advice
 - Provost's Office will develop communication plans for sharing information with students, such as a repopulation panel for students.
 - 4.5. Instagram Live event
 - ASI and AS event for students. Considering advising policy to be the topic.
 - 4.6. Others Announcements
 - AS Professional Development Workshop for faculty and staff on 4/20 and 4/21. Today's session went well with a small group of attendees (n=9).
 - Praveen Soni has been reelected as ASCSU senator. JZP will make the announcement at this Thursday's AS meeting.
5. Reminders
 - 5.1. Academic Senate Meeting of April 22, 2021

6. Special Orders

6.1. Report: Provost Jersky

- Ennette Morton is on board to replace Natalie Bersig's position in Faculty Affairs.
- Consider removing written reference checks for faculty searches. No changes at this point and FA is collecting feedback from different divisions and units.
- Considering expanding CHHS's "Beach Buddy" program to the entire campus. This is a peer mentoring program that offers students a new way to connect with other students for emotional support and mental health resources. May use CARES funds to support the program.
- Current round of hiring is going well, 15 hired so far to start in Fall 21.
- This year's virtual Week of Research went well. Over 900 attendees and over 300 posters presented.
- BJ had a podcast with CED faculty recently, previously with COE.
- Provost search going well with a strong and diverse pool of applicants.
- Governor announced that the state of California is unlikely to get to herd immunity soon due to lack of uptick on vaccines. At least 70% of population should be immunized, which is a high target. 18-26 y/o group choosing to not receive vaccine. SA reports a low response rate from students to be vaccinated, currently around 6%.
- CEPC did not pass plus/minus policy, and the policy draft will go to the Senate.

6.2. Campus Repopulation Committee update

- The notes from the recent repopulation committee meeting are available. There are currently no changes in repopulation as it was previously reported.
- Currently we are still at a 6 ft. of distance point; this may change to 3 ft. However, no decision at this time regarding this. Plan on implementing 50% capacity instead of exact physical distancing.
- Library will be open on August 1, 2021. USU will be partially open and student dining services will be resumed.
- Increase outdoor seating and outdoor Wi-Fi.

7. New Business

7.1. Selection of COVID Equity Impact Task Force members

- EC discussed the nominees and has selected several members. JZP will solicit more nominations from colleges not represented via faculty council chairs, focusing on RTP committee members.

7.2. COVID Equity/evaluation for staff request—no discussed

7.3. Student voice (+/- issues and others)

- AS has worked with ASI quite a bit this year and strive to continue and expand in the future. KZ suggests changing the culture to be more inclusive to students.
- May create a module for orientation to new members for all councils and committees.

7.4. GE ideas

- PS, MA, and PFH propose a new idea for GE Area D Social Sciences to keep all D1, D2, and D3 courses on the books. Students may take a D3 course in lower division and take either D1 or D2 in upper division and vice versa. PS, MA, and PFH just met with the chairs of History and Political Sciences departments earlier today, and both chairs indicated that they will bring this idea back to their faculty for discussion.
- Discussion of the idea ensues. NS raises the concern about the complexity of this idea. JC and BJ think this idea is viable. JZP suggests EC officers present this idea at tomorrow's CLA Chairs Council meeting or have KZ present it to CLA chairs. JZP will reach out to CLA Dean.

7.5. Faculty hiring policy- See 7.6

7.6. Faculty hiring practices

- PFH discusses how to hire more diverse faculty moving forward and how to recruit more faculty of color more actively. Currently, there is no search policy, but only search protocols which include 80 steps in this process. Discussion ensues but no decision is made.

8. Old Business

8.1. Equity Action Plan (draft) continued

- Currently, EC is not scheduled to meet over summer, but may want to meet with new Provost periodically over the summer. NMA suggests that EC may want to meet over the summer due to repopulation issues as well as searches.
- JZP has added new items to the Equity Action Plan and will get Angela and Ratnesh's input on it.

9. Adjournment- 3:56 pm