

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

Tuesday, March 16, 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, K. Janousek, E. Klink, P. Soni, D. Hamm, K. Bonetati, J. Hamilton, S. Apel, B. Jersky, J. Cormack, A. Kinsey
 Guest: Sebina Reddy (COB Associate Dean)

1. Call to Order- 2:01 pm
2. Approval of Agenda- MSA
3. Approval of Minutes: Meetings of March 9, 2021- MSA as amended
4. Announcements and Information
 - 4.1. COE Dean candidate interview dates (Voting members only): Finalist #1, Tuesday, 3/23 @ 9am; Finalist #2, Thursday, 3/25 @ 11am; Finalist #3, Friday, 3/26 @ 9am
 - JZP announces dates for EC to interview COE Dean candidates
5. Reminders
 - 5.1. Academic Senate Meeting of March 18, 2021
 - 5.2. Academic Senate Meeting of March 25, 2021 (agenda)
 - JZP shows EC eight policies waiting to be approved this year. EC decides to put one of the policies (departmentalization) on Agenda as a first reading.
 - EC discusses which of CEPC's options for the GE policy to present to AS on Thursday. The 3 most viable options are discussed and deliberated by EC. EC decides to present the 3 most viable, have discussion and end with a straw poll to determine the most popular option.
6. Special Orders
 - 6.1. Report: Provost Jersky
 - BJ reports on Beach 2030 documents given to EC, feedback from the Senate is an important factor for Beach 2030 action teams.
 - Funds from the federal government forthcoming is one time money and can/must be used for CARES/COVID related items and some must be distributed to students. Must be used by summer 2023, total amount received thus far is \$180M (\$90M is for students).
 - All divisions have been tasked with ways to use funds.
 - Suggested ideas include professional development for staff and faculty, technology needs, classroom modifications, etc.

- NS asks if CARES funds could be used on leave for caregivers; BJ says no. The decision about caregiver leaves is a system-side decision.
- NS asks if reassigned time for lecturer faculty could happen, BJ says it would need to be explained how it was COVID-related.
- PS asks if RPP will be involved in funds distribution, BJ says no since these are not state funds.
- KZ asks about 90M for students and BJ says those will be direct payments to students. May be need-based aid or just a flat rate to all.
- RTP files will have a COVID-impact statement and extensions for RTP are available.
- Good news regarding CSU Pre-Professor Program, called CSU PREPP. Six campuses are in this pilot program (CSULB, Dominguez Hills, Chico, Pomona, East Bay, Northridge). Last Friday was first information session on this. Hopefully to roll out to the entire CSU system.
 - Campus liaison and mentors on each campus to work on this. Dave Whitney is our PREPP mentor at CSULB.
- BJ had a good meeting with Black Faculty and Staff Association and will meet with them regularly. BJ also met with ASI about students' feedback on plus/minus grading, GE policy, and Fall 21 repopulations. Provost Podcast series are going well.

6.2. Campus Repopulation Committee update

- LA County moved into the red tier for COVID which is good news and allows for more openings.
- Current plan for Fall 21 is at about 40% FTF. Staff returns have not yet been determined. Guidance for workspaces will be released soon

7. New Business

7.1. Fall 2021 meeting mode guidance

- JZP asks for comments to give guidance on how fall meetings will take place. Should meeting be in person, Zoom, or combined? JZP asks Sheryl Hathaway about HyFlex trainings.
- JC recommends continuing virtual meetings in the fall for groups greater than 10 people. EC agrees AS meetings should remain virtual in the fall. JZP will send out guidance after spring break to council and committee chairs

7.2. Independent Program Status for American Studies

- American Studies is a program in CLA but they would like to be an "independent" program. JZP says this is not specified in policy and will meet with parties to determine proper way to proceed.
- NS asks if that is a category, where is it specified? NS is worried about the process and how it relates to a policy, if any.

7.3. Chair Policy interpretation discussion, COB Associate Dean Reddy, TIME CERTAIN 3:30

- AD Sabine Reddy reports on a department policy that sets term limits for Department Chair to just one term (three-year). The Finance Department is the only

department in COB that has this term limit. SR feels having a new Chair every 3 years is not very efficient as it requires a lot of training.

- JZP asks for feedback from EC. A motion was made and seconded. EC voted unanimously to send a recommendation to the Finance Department to kindly revisit their constitution in light of the [AS Department Chair Policy \(PS11-06\) Section 10](#).

8. Old Business
N/A

9. Adjournment- 4:00 pm