



2014-2015 Faculty Senate Executive Committee

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the Meeting of April 7, 2015

3:00 – 5:00 pm, 275 Sacramento Hall

Approved: April 14, 2015

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm.

Roll: Ryan Allain, Lorelei Bayne (absent), Sylvester Bowie, De-Laine Cyrenne, Ben Fell, Charles Gossett (absent), Fraka Harmsen (absent), Julian Heather, Sue Holl, John Ingram (absent), Dana Kivel, Tom Krabacher (absent), Todd Migliaccio (absent), Christine Miller, Reza Peigahi, Deidre Sessoms

Guests: Academic Affairs: Don Taylor, Interim AVP, Academic Programs and Global Engagement
Academic Information Technology Committee (AITC): Ron Coleman, Chair and Carolyn Gibbs, Member

Open Forum:

- **ECS 2-unit lecture courses and Space Management:** Concern was expressed around Space Management's policy around non-standard classes. ECS (ME & CE) have been booted from their preferred spaces if the 50-minute session doesn't conform to the preferred 75 minute session. Peigahi will follow-up.
- **California Northstate Update:** CNU has a well-designed virtual tour of Folsom Hall that seems to be marketing the facilities in Folsom Hall. It was suggested that the faculty be vigilant when the contract is renewed in ten years.
- **Provost's Research Incentive Fund and RCA Funds:** A question was asked about the April 2 Senate Open Forum question regarding incentives for research. Peigahi has placed the item on the April 14 Exec agenda and invited Chair Toise.
- **Impaction Report:** A question regarding the status of the Lascher Report was asked. Peigahi stated that it was his understanding that the Provost was convening a group to talk about impaction and will follow-up when he meets with the Provost.
- **[Festival of the Arts:](#)** Events, including the 4/13 screening of the film Amnesia, will begin on April 8.

Agenda: The agenda was approved as published.

[Minutes:](#) The Executive Committee approved the meeting minutes of March 17, 2015 as published.

From the Chair:

- **Elections Results:**
 - CSU Academic Senator: Tom Krabacher, Geography (NSM)
 - Temporary Faculty Representatives to the Faculty Senate: Lois Boulgarides, Physical Therapy (HHS), De-Laine Cyrenne, Psychology (SSIS), Lynda Radican, English (A&L)
- **UTAPS:** Tony Lucas, Senior Director, UTAPS will be presenting an update on parking in light of the CSU Board of Trustee's acceptance of the plan for new student residential housing. The presentation is scheduled for the April 16 Senate meeting.
- **Sac Hall 275:** Peigahi reported that he and Garcia had met with VP Lee and VP Sales on the Senate utilization of Sac Hall 161 as a substitute space for Standing Policy Committee meetings due to the availability of Sac Hall 275 beginning Fall 2015.

From Provost:

- Searches are ongoing for the AVP for International Programs and Global Engagement and the AVP for Enrollment Management and Data Analytics.

AITC – Computer Refresh: AITC asked the Executive Committee to endorse their memorandum requesting that the Provost attend an upcoming AITC meeting to discuss concerns around the Computer Refresh situation. In the short-term they'd like faculty to get the overdue computers. In the long-term they'd like a mechanism wherein faculty are consulted when plans like this are made. A motion was made, seconded and carried to endorse AITC's request and that the Executive Committee also forward a separate request that the Provost meet with AITC.

Concerns/suggestions from Exec include:

- Programs like the Community Engagement Center – which might fall through the cracks during a refresh program as the faculty split time between places – hence who pays for their refresh.
- Faculty may end up purchasing their own computers – which is complicated by the idea that campus has a preferred method for purchases which may not work for faculty computing needs.
 - It was suggested that AITC request a report of how many faculty computers are not purchased through the Colleges.
- There is a concern about how the savings number of \$1,000,000 stated in the document *Open Forum Update: Computer Refresh* was arrived at.
- There is a concern that the position to support the Computer Refresh Program is slated to make \$55,000-\$110,000, which could pay for multiple faculty positions and that the job could be done by an existing campus employee.
- There is a concern that the monies for the refresh are really being distributed to the Colleges, so that they will purchase and/or supplement “refreshes,” and hence there is no true centralization of the process.
- A suggestion that if the answers from the Provost don't adequately address the concerns, that UBAC be approached with an eye to seeing into the various Divisions' budgets.

Updates:

- **ASI:** Their AAAC meeting, which discusses upcoming Senate Legislation, is on Monday, April 13. Their events around Sexual Assault Awareness Month are kicking off and a flyer was distributed. ASI also endorsed a resolution in support of Project Pass and is to consider a resolution supporting the activities of the Sexual Assault Awareness Month.
- **APC:** The Grade Appeal policy is pending and an amendment to the Excused Absence Policy to conform the extant Religious Observance Policy may be forthcoming.

- **CPC:** Proposed revision to the Special Minor policy will come to Exec on April 14. e-Learning policy and the Assessment policy is pending in Committee. AITC will be consulted in the e-Learning policy recommendations.
- **FPC:** The Visiting Scholars Subcommittee is reviewing the rules for inviting visiting scholars. FPC is working on a resolution endorsing the ASCSU resolution AS-3199-14/FA (Rev). FPC's University Conversation: Demystifying RTP – Empowering Faculty to Refine the Possible will be held April 14, 1-2:30 pm, Hinde Auditorium University Union.
- **GE/GRPC:** GE area assessment groups and being formed. GE has approved the assessment plans for Areas B, D and E. The Committee heard an appeal, as per policy, from the History Department regarding the criteria for Anthro 101 to be satisfy the American History component of the American Institution requirement. The appeal was denied.
- **GSPC:** Graduate Learning Goas/Objective Policy will come to Exec on April 14. GSPC will present on the Graduate Culture Road Map as a kick-off for planned Fall 2015 forums and possible policy recommendations. The Committee continues to discuss the Graduate GWAR.

Adjournment: 4:05 pm