

Executive Committee Minutes

Tuesday, October 17, 2023, 3:00 pm

Approved: October 31, 2023

Call to Order: 3:00 pm

Roll Call:

Adam Rechs, Aleta Baldwin, Amber Gonzalez (absent), Andera Terry, Bertha Vegas Castellanos, David Moore, Jeff Wilson, Matthew Krauel, Michael Mink, Monicka Tutschka, Raul Tadle (absent), Tracy Dawn Hamilton

Open Forum:

IPGGE Audit: It was asked when the audit report will be presented to the Senate. The Chair replied that the Provost will provide an update on the IPGE report at the October 19 Senate meeting.

Lecture access to computers: A member shared that lecturers often times receive computers that are hand-me-downs. The College of Arts and Letters notified departments that old computer systems are going to be shut down and there are not resources available to purchase or maintain the systems that are already in place. It is an equity issue. Lectures teach as much as tenured faculty. The Chair shared that he can reach out to VP Hendricks of IRT to gather information about campus resources for lecturer computers. Dean Hammersley shared information regarding the Refresh Program from the IT Advisory Board meeting. Computers are refreshed once every four years. She stated that IRT heard her and the conversation will continue. The Provost shared that he was committed to having a conversations with VP Hendricks for the purpose of refresh and that the faculty have the most current technology.

CSU Academic Senate updates: It was asked how to create a better feedback mechanism regarding the CSU Academic Senate (AS). The Chair shared that he met with the three academic senators and that one of the CSUS Academic Senators will present updates. Kristen Van Gaasbeck is scheduled to present to the Senate on October 19 and that the CSUAS items are posted on the agenda. The Chair will advise the Senate that any item the Senate would like to have a discussion about will be added to the agenda.

Approval of the Agenda: Approved

Approval of the Minutes – October 10, 2023: Approved.

From the Chair: The number of presentations to the Senate are increasing. The presentations will be spaced out on the Senate agendas. Presentations currently scheduled:

- **Oct 19:** 1) Budget presented by VP Bowman, Administration and Business Affairs and
2) CSU Academic Senate presented by Kristin Van Gaasbeck, CSUS Academic Senator.
- **Nov 2:** Office of Disability Justice presented by Jennifer Murchison, Executive Director for Universal Access and Inclusion
- **Nov 16:** Placer Center presented by Sr. AVP for Placer Center Watson.

From the Provost: Campus Safety Forum, part of the Presidential Taskforce on Safety, took place today. Dr. Wood has committed to doubling the community officers, hiring full time counselors, and monitors for disseminating critical information. He also spoke about the SacSend re: improvements on lighting.

Vice President for Student Affairs Search Committee Faculty Representatives: The name of the following faculty members will be placed on the October 19 Senate agenda on Consent Action: Seunghee Wie and Jamie Hoffman.

Statement of Interest for committee nominations: It was asked about nominations and that some nominees provide a statement of interest and some do not. A discussion followed regarding how best to request information from nominees so that faculty understand that nominees with statements of interest are sometimes given preference. Language suggestions:

- Add that preference would be given to those that provide statements over those that do not. *Concern was expressed about saying preference would be given when that is not the case. Faculty that have not provided statements have been placed on committees.*
- Statements are encouraged.
- Ask questions to assist the faculty member: “Why are you interested and what makes you qualified?”
- Or “Submit a statement addressing why you are interested and your qualifications”.
- It was shared that nominees who do not provide statements are asked if they wish to do so.
- It was shared that the Senate took up the matter on language regarding statements of interest and was not in favor of using the word “required”.

The item was tabled to allow members time to think about the language and bring back suggestions in two weeks.

Program Proposals: The following proposals will be placed on Consent Action on the October 19 Senate agenda:

- Minor in Family and Consumer Sciences
- Certificate in Play Therapy
- Subject Matter Program (French)
- Subject Matter Program (German)
- Subject Matter Program (Spanish)
- MA in Education (Educational Technology)

Adjourned: 3:50 pm