

2024 - 2025 AY

## **Executive Committee Minutes**

Tuesday, April 29, 2025, 3:00 pm Approved: May 6, 2025

Call to Order: 3:02 pm

**Roll Call**: Martin Boston, Sharon Furtak, Hogan Hayes, Carolyn Gibbs, Amber Gonzalez (Zoom), Sheree Meyer, Pat Oberle, Adam Rechs, Andrea Terry (absent), Matthew Krauel, Raul Tadle (Zoom)

#### **Open Forum:**

**Hornet Launch:** Concern was expressed about sophomores having trouble registering for general education classes because seats are being held for Hornet Launch. There is a potential for not being in compliance with rules around Priority Registration.

**Completion scholarship pathways**: A request was made for the President's Office to consider establishing a completion scholarship to allow a student athlete to finish their degree if they are cut and are not able to enter the transfer portal. The Chair will follow up.

By NCAA rules, if a student athlete is cut and they are a transfer student, their scholarship will allow them to finish their degree. However, the Sac State football team just cut 40 students, most of whom are in the transfer portal. Once a student enters the transfer portal, they have forfeited their scholarship. It was felt that although there were not many students affected, it disproportionately affected young men of color. Athletics is doing everything they can. The students have a 3-day period to make the decision to either enter the portal or forfeit everything or give up on their dream. The Chair will follow up.

**Approval of the Agenda**:. The agenda was amended and approved as amended.

**Referred to the 2025/26 Executive Committee**: Continued Discussion: Faculty Senate Standing Rules Amendment of Articles II and III.

**Senate Bylaws amendments:** The Chair shared that the Bylaws amendments were removed from the agenda due to the lack of time for the Executive Committee to take up. The 2025/26 Executive Committee will take up the item.

The Academic Unit Reorganization, College of Health and Human Services proposal: The work has been completed and the item will be on the next Exec agenda. If the proposal is ready to move to the Senate it will go on the May 8 Senate agenda. In order to allow Senators time to review the proposal it will be forwarded to them with a message from the Chair that Exec will review the proposal on May 6 and if it is ready to move to the Senate it will be placed on the May 8 agenda. Carried.

Minutes: April 22, 2025 approved. April 15, 2025 amendment approved.

**From the Chair:** A Bias Reporting Tool update will be provided at the May 8 Senate meeting. A call for nominations will be sent out requesting faculty for the WSCUC Accreditation Review Steering Committee. The Cal Poly Senate Chair asked if there is interest in following the lead of SUNY campuses which have adopted a resolution supporting a mutual defense compact. The question was sent to all systemwide Senate chairs.

**From the President**: Additional Open Forums have been scheduled for Lectures and for faculty and staff, via Zoom. An Open Form for MPPs will also be scheduled. The campus has a new General Manager for Basketball. A new Federal Executive Order was received. The campus will stay the course.

**From the Provost:** A SacSend regarding Temporary Operational Control will be sent out later today. Provost will be reactivating the Provost Budget Advisory Committee in the next academic year, at the beginning of Fall semester.

**Preliminary Senate Agenda – May 8:** The Academic Unit Reorganization, College of Health and Human Services proposal will be provided to Senators this week via email. The Senators will be advised that the proposal will be placed on the Preliminary May 8 agenda as a First Reading item. This will allow the Senate additional time to review the item.

**Motion:** The HHS reorg proposal will be placed on the May 8 Senate agenda at the bottom of the First Reading items pending Executive Committee approval of the proposal policy compliance. Approved.

**Sonoma State resolution**: The following amendments were made and carried.

- Lines 25-27: WHEREAS, These changes are expected to precipitate substantial negative impacts on SSU students, staff, and faculty. Additionally, Rohnert Park, SSU's hometown, is anticipating substantial economic impacts from these cuts; and
- Lines 32-34: WHEREAS:, the Faculty Senate of Sacramento State (CSUS) stands in solidarity with our
  CSU colleagues and expresses support for the students, faculty, and staff at Sonoma State University
  (SSU) affected by recent changes; and
- Lines 41-44 amendments: RESOLVED, that the faculty of Sacramento State stand in full stands in solidarity with support of the SSU community, and call upon Interim President Cutrer and Chancellor Garcia to pause all proposed eliminations and terminations of academic programs and athletics at SSU until-that have not involved inclusive, transparent, and consensus-driven budget processes are firmly established; and be it finally.

**Motion:** The item will be placed on the May 1 Senate agenda at First Reading. *Carried.* 

### **Course Syllabus Policy:**

**Motion**: Line 41: Section IV. Responsibilities: Replace Academic Affairs with the Center for Teaching and Learning or the equivalent of the campus support. Carried.

Motion: Place the Course Syllabus Policy at First Reading on the May 1 Senate agenda. Carried.

# **Review for Policy Compliance College of Business Reorganization:**

Several faculty members spoke in support of policy compliance.

One faculty member spoke against policy compliance sharing that their feedback including their entire statement of not supporting the proposal was not a part of the final report.

Feedback provided: If possible, the anonymous feedback be verified and added to the proposal before it goes to the Senate.

**Motion:** Place on the May 1 Senate agenda at First Reading.

#### **Council on Preparation of School Personnel Subcommittee Standing Rules**

A question was raised regarding the College of Continuing Education membership. It was decided to place the item at First Reading on the May 1 agenda and the committee chair can respond to questions regarding the membership.

At the time of adjournment, the GE/GR Working Group item and the Program Proposals had not been taken up. They will be placed on the next meeting agenda.

Adjourned: 4:48 pm