

2024 - 2025 AY

Executive Committee Minutes

Tuesday, May 13, 2025, 3:00 pm, Zoom Approved: August 26, 2025

Call to Order: 3:03 pm

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

Open Forum:

- Student Success Fee Voting Ballot: Concern was expressed about the wording in the ballot..
- Faculty Senate Voting Process: The status of this process was requested. The Chair shared that her intention was to bring forward changes to the Bylaws and Standing Rules this spring but these were pulled due to the other time-sensitive items the Senate needed to take up. The voting process will be brought to the Senate in early Fall.
- Sac State Basketball Coach offer packet: It was requested that accurate information on the
 office packet be provided. The Chair will follow-up with the President's Office regarding posting
 information for people to obtain the accurate offer packet information.
- Student Success Fee: Depending on the nature of the fee the Senate is supposed to be involved in the process. What roll did the Senate play in the ballot process? The Chair responded that there was an information item on the May 1 Senate agenda and Interim Dean Datwyler spoke about the item during Open Forum. Concern was expressed that the campus did not follow the Systemwide EO regarding the balloting of the Student Fees.

Approval of the Agenda: Approved as published.

Minutes: Approved as published.

From the Chair: No items

From the President: No items

From the Provost:

- Graduate program proposals and new degree projection proposals are being requested this summer. The deadline is June 20. Deans are aware and department chairs are being informed.
- English 20 summer workgroup: The Provost is waiting on the outcome of the Student Fee vote and then will focus on the workgroup.
- For the last two weeks, the Provost has been participating in affinity and hooding ceremonies.

Recommendation for the 2025-26 and 2026-27 academic years as Temporary Solution to the Removal of English 20/20M Courses.

Main Points of the Discussion

- Concerns raised: Proposal perceived as a scramble for a solution. Canceling was not done in good faith. Cutting all English 20 courses for two years creates an inequity for those students.
- Feedback provided: If it is being waived, say what it is. Don't say "alternate" it is not an alternate.
- Concerns raised: There are deep concerns about the non-collaborative nature of the decision.
- Concerns raised: Cutting back on any education in writing and composition is a disservice to the students.
- Concerns raised: The removal of English 20 from the schedule amounts to administrators deciding on the curriculum. It is also unclear who made the decision to cut these sections. Those individuals should stand by the decision and explain it to the students. Finding solutions to get students out the door with a lower quality education should not be supported.
- Feedback provided: Faculty should not clean up a decision made by an administrator.
- It was noted: There is a claim that no engagement in shared governance with the faculty took place.
- The Chair of the GE/GR Policy shared that the committee was asked to consider an alternative temporary solution. Any English student not able to take English 20 will delay their ability to complete the WPJ. The committee felt it was necessary to put something in place not to harm students in the short term.

Motion: The Exec rejects the Recommendation for the 2025-26 and 2026-27 academic years as Temporary Solution to the Removal of English 20/20M Courses from the GE/GR Policies Committee. *Carried unanimous*.

The Chair shared that if Exec does not move this current recommendation forward to the Faculty Senate, officially we will be silent on the issue.

A resolution that demands the administration work with the faculty to reinstate the approved graduation requirement for the upcoming academic year was crafted on the floor for the Faculty Senate's consideration. The Executive Committee drafted the resolution to be placed on the May 15 Senate agenda at First Reading.

Motion: Resolution Opposing the Elimination of English 20 from the Fall 2025 Schedule. *Carried*.

Faculty Representatives – Vice President for inclusive Excellence Search Committee: The following faculty names will be placed on the May 15 Senate agenda on Consent Action.

- Hanieh Molana, Geography (NSM) and
- Melissa Cardenas-Dow, Library

Adjourned: 4:53 pm