



Executive Committee Minutes

Tuesday, October 13, 2020

3-5 pm, Zoom

Approved: October 20, 2020

Call to Order: 3:00 pm

Roll Call:

Amber Gonzalez, Andrew Hertzoff, Anne Lindsay, De-Laine Cyrenne, Harry Theodorides, Harvey Stark, Jay Lee, Jeff Dym, Philip Flickinger, Samantha Elizalde, Susan Perez, Tracy Hamilton

Guests:

Academic Affairs: Provost Perez

President's Office: President Nelsen

Open Forum:

- **In-person department gatherings off-campus during the COVID pandemic:** Is there a policy governing departments scheduling in person gatherings/meetings off campus during the pandemic, such as a social hour? If not, do we need to have a policy?
The Provost responded that there is not a policy. Some departments have requested to schedule an off-campus event and the requests have been denied. There is no way to prohibit off campus events on personal time. Department activities must accommodate someone working virtually.

- **Library Access:** Faculty again expressed concern about issues students and faculty are having with the access to Library resources:
 - It was requested again that the Library notify campus about changes.
 - Pick-up time and dates are very limited and does not accommodate faculty and student work hours.
 - Those living within 29 miles of campus, must travel to campus to pick up library materials. Students not having funds to have a car are now required to travel by bus to pick up a book.
 - Making an appointment is complicated navigating links.
 - Encourage the Library be open for all and expand pick-up hours.
 - It is frustrating for faculty who are planning courses when students aren't able to obtain materials/books for an extended period of time.
 - The public library has figured out a system for curbside pickup that does not require parking your car and walking into the Library.
 - The Library is the center of campus, all tours go through the Library as well as new faculty and new student orientation. There needs to be a way to get books/materials to people.

- It was suggested that lockers with codes be installed. It was noted that the Library has just received the lockers and is in the process of getting them set-up.

The Provost stated that there has been changes made in the mailing policy due to the budget constraints. He encouraged those with concerns to reach out to the Library Dean and suggested that the Dean be invited to a meeting.

Agenda: Approved as published.

Minutes: October 6, 2020 – The minutes will be updated to include all the faculty representative names for the Bias Response Director Search Committee. The minutes as amended were approved.

From the Chair:

- Ethnic Studies Executive Order: Exec was asked to decide how to handle the feedback form.

Comments:

- How is it decided procedurally? One campus response? Individual response: Administration, Senate, Students, etc.
- Concern was expressed about the short turn around for feedback.
- Have a campus wide meeting to discuss Ethnic Studies.
- Have a general response on the process that they are using—schedule a meeting, but not give them all that they want right now and talk about a no confidence vote in EVC Blanchard for dropping this again on us.
- Concern was expressed about rushing the discussion, as has been done in the past.
- This should not be rushed; we need a first reading and second reading and allow for consultation in departments.
- Concern expressed about having the Senate endorse the resolution without consultation occurring.
- What is the meeting purpose? The first meeting should allow for a lot of discussion, allow time to take the item back to their department/college for consultation. This seems to be rushed through all of the CSUs and is a major issue and feels it should be given its due diligence with 1st and 2nd Reading and a faculty voice.

A motion was made to add a meeting on October 29 to allow for First and Second Readings and not rush through the process, as had been done in the past. October 22 First Reading which would allow Senators to consult with their colleagues and then a Second Reading on October 29.

The Ethnic Studies Resolution will be placed on the October 22 meeting at First Reading and a Second Reading will be held on October 29.

From the President: Dr. Nelsen complemented the faculty on the retention rate, he reported that the COVID number continues to be small, none on campus, there are 66 employees in the Early Exit Program. The Town Hall Budget meeting will be rescheduled to a date that does not conflict with the Senate so that the faculty may attend. The Senate will receive an official invitation.

From the Provost: Dr. Perez requested an opportunity to receive feedback from the Senate regarding opening a Testing Center and recommendations for setting it up. Students will be able to use the Center to take tests, with regularly scheduled hours and a process established for who may use the Center.

University Committee Appointments

The following names will be placed on the October 22 Senate agenda on Consent Action.

Antiracist Curriculum Pedagogy, and Assessment Action Planning Group

- Angela Clark-Oates, English (A&L)
- Alma Flores, Undergraduate Studies in Education (COE)
- Benjamin Fell, Civil Engineering (ECS)
- Susan Nakaoka, Social Work (HHS)
- Daina Dickman, Library
- Lynn Tashiro, Physics & Astronomy (NSM)
- Christopher Towler, Political Science (SSIS)

Cross-Racial and Inclusive Engagement Action Planning Group

- Garret Merriam, Philosophy (A&L)
- Jasmine De Alba, Counselor
- Annette Reed, Ethnic Studies (SSIS)
- Sujatha Moni, Women's Studies (SSIS)

Encounters with Racial Stress and Bias Action Planning Group

- Michael Mink, Public Health (HHS)
- Raul Tadle, Economics (SSIS)
- Aishah Patterson, Communication Sciences and Disorders (HHS)
- Dan Okada, Criminal Justice (HHS)

Impact of and on the Sacramento Region Action Planning Group

- Nicole Manker, Theatre & Dance (A&L)
- Kevin Ferreira van Leer, Undergraduate Studies in Education (COE)
- Kristina Victor, Political Science (SSIS)
- Mary Breunig, Recreation, Parks and Tourism Administration (HHS)

Institutional Commitment Action Planning Group

- Saray Ayala-Lopez, Philosophy (A&L)
- Amber Gonzalez, Undergraduate Studies in Education (COE)
- Tim Fong, Ethnic Studies (SSIS)
- Todd Migliaccio, Sociology (SSIS)

Mattering and Affirming Action Planning Group

- Ebony Williams, Graduate and Professional Studies in Education (COE)
- Maureen Smith, Kinesiology (HHS)
- Troy Nichols, Recreation, Parks and Tourism Administration (HHS)
- Andrea Moore, Ethnic Studies (SSIS)

Racial Learning and Literacy Action Planning Group

- Vajra Watson, ED.D. Doctoral Program (COE)
- Nassrine Nouredine, Nursing (HHS)
- Rachel Keiko Stark, Library
- Phillip Akutsu, Psychology (SSIS)

Senate Agenda – October 22:

- Committee of the Whole: Discussion of the Ethnic Studies Executive Order documents.
- Ethnic Studies resolution placed at First Reading.

Referral – Credit for Prior Learning: This item will be discussed at the October 20 meeting.

Adjourned: 5:06 pm