



Executive Committee Minutes

Tuesday, November 24, 2020

3-5 pm, Zoom

Approved: December 1, 2020

Call to Order: 3:02 pm

Roll Call:

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

Guests:

Academic Affairs: Provost Perez

President's Office: President Nelsen

Open Forum:

ASI Credit/No Credit Survey: ASI representative, Samantha Elizalde, reported the latest results from a survey they are conducting regarding the offering of a CR/NC option. More than 1,500 have responded to the survey with the vast majority responding in favor of offering the option. ASI is finalizing a resolution on this issue that will be shared with the Senate and with Administrators.

Agenda: The agenda was approved as published.

Minutes: November 17, 2020 – Approved as published.

From the Chair: The Committee of the Whole discussions at the November 19th Senate meeting went well. Many Senators spoke about the three items. Some were passionate about the issues. The tone of the discussion was respectful of others.

From the President: Due to the increase in COVID cases conversations are taking place regarding the start of spring semester and spring break. When people come back from the holiday, testing protocol for students and those in the dorms will be instituted.

From the Provost: Everyone is encouraged to not come to campus. Those that do are asked to use the Daily Health Self-Screening on the SacState app or on the campus website. Changes to General Education will come out from the Chancellor's Office next week. Discussions of implementation will include the Senate and Ethnic Studies.

Program Proposals: All proposals will be place on the December 3 Senate agenda on Consent Action.

Spring Semester/Spring Break 2021:

Discussion feedback:

- Faculty need to be kept informed, even as conversations are taking place.
- Let students/staff/faculty know before winter break when they are coming back in the Spring.
- President/Provost provide options to the Senate and ask "Is there any reason why an option would not work?"
- Suggested options:
 - Delay classes for a week.
 - Cancel spring break.
- Discuss the best possible calendar for spring at the December 3 Senate meeting in a Committee of the Whole.
- Theater/Dance and Art have events in the spring. These programs need to know of any changes as soon as possible.

A Committee of the Whole will be scheduled for the December 3 Senate meeting to receive feedback from the faculty on adjustments to Spring Semester and possibly Spring Break. The item will be placed following Open Forum and with 30 minutes for discussion.

Information will be provided to Senators so that they can consult with their colleagues prior to the meeting. It was noted that this is a good way to get feedback from the faculty for a sensitive situation and in a timely manner.

Adjourned:

4:45 pm.