

Executive Committee Minutes

Tuesday, October 22, 2024, 3:00 pm,

Approved: October 29, 2024

Roll Call:

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

Call to Order: 3:00 pm

Open Forum:

- **College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics Research Symposium:** October 22, 5:00-7:00 pm, University Ballroom.
- **Turning Point USA event:** A faculty member felt the event has made our campus, including employees, less safe.

Approval of the Agenda: Approved as published.

Minutes: October 15, 2024: The minutes were amended at line 24 to read: A motion was made to amend the agenda to reorder the agenda with the item on the Provost Search moving to be after information from the Chair/Provost/President. This motion was due to the prevention of an open forum item on a Letter of Concern regarding the Provost Search because the item was on the agenda. The amendment to the order of the agenda did not pass. The minutes as amended were approved.

From the Chair: The Chair shared information on the monthly CSU Academic Senate Chairs meeting:

- Highlights from the CSU Statewide Senate Chairs Monthly Meeting last Thursday, October 17 included discussions of campus efforts on GE changes, campus thoughts and advocacy around the interim TPM, and overall campus climates.
- In ASCSU Chair Boyd's report, she communicated that she serves on the CSU Future Strategic Plan Task Force. Strategic Plans are new for the system. Garcia wants it to be a 3-year action plan. The task force is run by a consulting group. Chair Boyd also communicated that ASCSU has adopted some priorities they are focusing on this year.
- Highlights from Faculty Trustee Darlene Yee-Melichar's report include PowerPoint slides on recommended amendments to Title 5 regarding Doctoral programs, the "next" graduation initiative, and the timeline to integrate Cal Maritime to SLO. Full report provided to Exec through email.

From the Provost: AVP Amy Wallace, Office of Academic Excellence, is transitioning into a new opportunity as the VP of WASC at the end of November.

October 31 Senate Agenda Draft Agenda: Approved.

ASI Resolution Opposing the Current Time, Place, and Manner Policy and Calling for a Task Force to Develop a Statewide Policy:

ASI requested the Senate endorse the resolution and asks that the Senate create their own resolution opposing the current Time, Place, and Manner Policy. ASI requested the resolution to be placed on an upcoming Senate agenda.

Motion: The ASI Resolution will be placed at First Reading on the November 7 Senate agenda as a motion to endorse. *Carried.*

ASI Resolution in Support of University Hour at Sacramento State: ASI presented their resolution and requested the Faculty Senate to create a taskforce to measure feasibility and academic impact for a Sacramento State University Hour.

Main Points from the Discussion:

- A referral to APC was discussed: The APC Chair shared that the committee had discussed the item and were in favor of creating a Work Group to investigate the logistics of a University Hour.
- Concern was raised about classroom space not being used as well as some programs not being able to pause due to the nature of course requirements. The Nursing program was used as an example.
- Concern was raised regarding a Senate endorsement. It was noted that an endorsement by the Senate would be an endorsement of the resolution not of a University Hour proposal.
- Consensus was to let the Senate decide on the formation of the Work Group or Taskforce.

Motion: The ASI Resolution will be placed on the November 7 Senate agenda with an Information Item with an ASI representative presenting the background for the resolution followed by a Committee of the Whole discussion. *Carried.*

University Hour Initiative:

Motion: The President's Memo regarding support for a University Hour initiative will be placed on the November 7 Senate agenda as an Information Item. *Carried.*

Sacramento State Mission Statement Amendment. Amber Gonzales provided a short presentation on the reason for the Mission Statement change and the current Sac State endorsements.

President Wood shared the statement is more of a preamble but does not change the full mission statement. USA has endorsed it and ASI it taking it up. The President is asking for the Senate's endorsement.

Main Points from the Discussion:

- Concern raised: In trying to create an inclusive environment there is a perception that certain demographics are excluded.
- Question raised: Is there intention behind the order of the items? Was anything else in regard to the first sentence being considered?

- Concern raised: The language in the mission statement seems to be in conflict with the Inclusive Excellence statement that reflects that we are supporting all of our students.
- Feedback provided: Should we include a designation for serving disabled students?
- Request made: Exec needs more information to understand the process for how the revised Mission Statement went through a campus input process.
- Request made: To have the amendment move forward (to the Senate) in a way to gain more input instead of a motion to adopt.

The Chair replied that the Senate is not adopting the amended statement. The mission statement is the completed work of the Strategic Planning Committee. The Senate can only recommend changes.

Motion: A representative from the Strategic Planning Committee will be invited to attend the October 29 Executive Committee meeting to present on the Mission Statement amendment.
Carried.

At the time of adjournment, the following items had not been taken up and will be placed on a future agenda of the Executive Committee.

- Priority Registration Policy
- Undergraduate Requirement for Graduation Application Policy
- Discussion: Upcoming proposal to change the Senate Standing Rules and Bylaws
- Provost Search

Adjourned: 4:48 pm