

**Executive Committee Minutes**  
September 10, 2015  
3:00 – 4:20, Academic Affairs Conference Room

**Abstract**

Agenda approved. Minutes of 9/10 approved. Chair Report. President Report. Vice Chair Report. Vice President of Administration and Finance Report. SAC Report. EPC Report. FSAC Report. Associated Students Report. Follow up on call for GMC Faculty Vision workgroup. Implementation of Constitutional Referendum. Discussion about APC. Executive Committee Social. Senate agenda approved.

**Present:** Richard J. Senghas, Carmen Works, Tom Targett, Laura Watt, Sam Brannen, Ron Lopez, Andrew Rogerson, Ruben Armiñana, Larry Furukawa-Schlereth, Michaela Grobbel, Ed Beebout

**Absent:** Deborah Roberts, Matthew Lopez-Phillips

**Guests:** Kate Chavez, Jason Wenrick

**Approval of Agenda – item added: Ex Com Social. Approved.**

**Approval of Minutes 9/10/15 – Approved.**

The Chair introduced R. Lopez who would be chairing SAC this year.

**Chair Report – R. Senghas**

R. Senghas reported that the Chancellor's office visit would take place on October 8<sup>th</sup>. The open forum would be from 1-3. He would be late to the Ex Com that day. The first faculty brown bag conversation with the Chair and Provost would be held on October 21<sup>st</sup> at noon in the Faculty Center. At that meeting, they would discuss what faculty want in a new president. The Chair reported on the Web Advisory meeting he attended. He suggested that they come to the Senate to report on upcoming changes to the website and to receive feedback from the faculty.

**President Report – R. Armiñana**

R. Armiñana provided the names of the Chancellor's office search committee for the Presidential search. The Chair would be Lupe Garcia, the general counsel of the GAP, inc. Others on the committee would be Hugo Morales, Deborah Farar, Larry Norton, and Tim White, the Chancellor. These are the members who can vote. The committee would also have a CSU President and Diane Harrison had been chosen.

**Vice Chair Report – C. Works**

C. Works reported the results of the Constitutional referendum by status – 53% of the tenured, tenure track faculty voted, 31% of student service professionals and

20% of lecturers. The President said the change to the constitution had been approved. There was some discussion about how the quorum was achieved. It was noted that from now on all voting would be electronic.

### **Vice President of Administration and Finance Report – L. Furukawa-Schlereth**

L. Furukawa-Schlereth reported on the process for a staff person to be elected to the campus Presidential Search Advisory committee. He had met with the Labor Council and they decided to have an election. The call for nominations was out and voting would happen next week. He said any represented or confidential staff person was eligible to run for election. The Chair noted that voting for the two faculty for the committee was in process. A member asked what the faculty on the committee would do. The Chair said they would meet to organize how they would function and learn about their responsibilities, including not speaking about their work. They would review applications. They would also help the candidates understand the campus, since they will not be visiting the campus. They would meet at the airport to meet the candidates and then send their recommendations to the Chancellor's committee.

### **SAC Report – R. Lopez**

R. Lopez reported that SAC was working on revising the attendance policy. There was some discussion regarding their work on the policy.

### **EPC Report – L. Watt**

L. Watt passed out a handout showing the routing of program reviews. She reported that they had a good conversation with M. Jolly, the Chair of the University Standards subcommittee and would be asking other subcommittee chairs to visit. They were checking on the status of a large number of EPC working groups. They were hoping to elect the EPC Vice Chair soon. She noted that next year GE would undergo program review and they wanted to start preparing for that. She said the handout was showing a change to the routing process for program reviews. She said this would be posted online as well. The Chair asked for the handout to be presented at the ACT meeting. There was a request to the Provost to send out an email about who was taking on work that had been in E. Sundberg's purview.

### **FSAC Report – E. Beebout**

E. Beebout reported that FSAC was making good progress on the RTP policy revision. They had also been asked to give input on the work absence process and a possible university wide office hours policy. The Chair suggested that FSAC talk with SAC about an office hours policy.

### **Associated Students Report – K. Chavez**

K. Chavez said their future officer program was up and running. This program encourages freshmen to become involved in student government. They were also

working on a project called 50 classes in 50 days to reach out to students more directly.

### **Ex Com rep to Sustainability Ex Com**

The Chair asked again for volunteers for the Sustainability Executive Committee.

### **Follow up on call for GMC Faculty Vision workgroup – R. Senghas**

R. Senghas said he had received interest from about 7 or 8 people to be on the GMC Faculty Vision workgroup. His thinking was to invite all of them and then see what the composition of the group would be by attrition. He described the current composition by School. He thought the main question would be - what would be the deliverable of the group, a resolution, a paper, etc. He wanted to get a sense of the faculty vision by the next GMC Board meeting. A member asked if any Schools were not represented and if outreach to those Schools should happen. R. Senghas said that some Schools might not be able to send folks and he would keep the Ex Com informed. He thought the workgroup could talk to those Schools and they would put a forum up on Moodle. A member suggested that a student perspective might be helpful. R. Senghas said the GMC Board does not understand campus governance and it would probably confuse them for the faculty to talk about student perspectives. He was informally talking to student governance about doing a parallel process.

### **Implementation of Constitutional Referendum – R. Senghas, C. Works**

C. Works said that S&F reviewed the implementation plan in the packet. She asked how the Executive Committee thought it should be handled vis-à-vis the Senate. The Chair reiterated that they were not asking anyone to reduce their service time, but wanted to leave it open for folks who may not want to finish their term. He noted that some positions need to be staggered within a School. It was clarified that it was up to the Schools to stagger. There was discussion about how it would go forward to the Senate. The Chair then spoke about the on-going work for the re-org group. They wanted one or two more people for the group, since R. Whitkus was no longer eligible. He said they were already reaching out to some committees for more information. A member asked if there were any proposals for changing the Executive Committee. The Chair said no, but they could take that under consideration.

The third item of business was no longer necessary since R. Lopez was now Chair of SAC.

### **Discussion about APC**

R. Senghas said he was concerned about the status of APC due to the upcoming WASC accreditation. A member asked about APC's charge and what was not getting done because it was on hiatus. He read the current charge of APC. "Guided by the Senate approved Long Range Academic Plan and supporting documents, the Academic Planning Committee articulates academic priorities, examines their

alignment with core functions and key resources of the university, evaluates the attainment on an ongoing basis, and recommends changes where appropriate. The Academic Planning Committee shall establish such subcommittees as necessary to carry out its charge." A member suggested that the GMC vision statement would have been in APC. The Chair agreed. He discussed other items he saw in APC's purview. A member asked if there was feedback from the former APC Chair and committee. There was discussion about whether to try to elect again for APC and whether to change the membership rules. The Senate Analyst voiced concern about the current charge of the APC as it seemed out of date. **The Chair asked for the charge of APC to be referred to Structure and Functions. Moved, seconded and approved.**

### **Executive Committee Social**

R. Senghas noted that in the past the Ex Com had socials and he wanted to bring that back. He asked if the members thought it was a good idea. There was support and it was suggested to find a time in the Spring.

### **Senate Agenda**

#### **AGENDA**

Report of the Chair of the Faculty – Richard J. Senghas  
Approval of Agenda  
Approval of Minutes - emailed

#### **Consent Items:**

**Information Items:** End of year reports for UPRS and FSAC – emailed, Transition plan for Senate - attached

#### **BUSINESS**

1. Follow up on call for GMC Faculty Vision/Position on GMC Integration and Support

Senate Diversity Subcommittee Report TC 3:30

**Approved.**

**Adjourned.**

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