

Executive Committee Minutes
December 5, 2019
3:00 – 4:40, Academic Affairs Conference room

Abstract

Agenda – Approved. Minutes of 11/14/19 – Approved. President Report. Provost Report. Vice Chair Report. Vice President for Student Affairs Report. Associated Students Report. From EPC: BA Global Studies revision – approved for Senate consent calendar. Discussion of 2020 Faculty Retreat. Meet with Superlative Group – CSU/Corporate Partnerships. APARC Report. EPC Report. Request to Present CSU/Elsevier negotiations to Senate – approved as special report for the Senate. FSAC Report. SAC Report. Occasional Lecturers Report. Senate Agenda approved.

Present: Laura Watt, Melinda Milligan, Wendy Ostroff, Sean Place, Jenn Lillig, Paula Lane, Hilary Smith, Missy Garvin, Carlos Torres, Judy Sakaki, Joyce Lopes

Absent: Hope Ortiz, Erma Jean Sims

Guests: Jerlena Griffin-Desta, Karen Moranski for Lisa Vollendorf, Laura Monje-Paulson for Wm. Gregory Sawyer, Melissa Kadar, Mary Wegmann, Andy Dolan, Dave Alley

Approval of Agenda – Approved.

Approval of Minutes of 11/14/19 – Approved.

Chair Report – L. Watt

No report this time.

President Report – J. Sakaki

J. Sakaki reported on her trip to London for the CSU alumni event. SSU had the third largest gathering of alumni in London. The alumni gathered with the current SSU students studying abroad and that reception was a great success. Next week she will meet with other campus Presidents and the search committee for the next Chancellor. She wants to gather what characteristics SSU wants to see in the next Chancellor. She appreciated everyone who attended the Holiday Party.

Provost Report – K. Moranski for L. Vollendorf

K. Moranski reported that the new Business Dean and Institutional Effectiveness VP hires have been made. The Dean will join us in July. The new Institutional Effectiveness VP will start in the new year.

Vice Chair Report – M. Milligan

M. Milligan reported that S&F will finalize their thinking about the structure for overseeing the GE overlays at their next meeting. She noted that the call for faculty governance positions will go out very soon. The Chair asked if anyone has ideas for people who may want to run, to let her know.

Vice President for Student Affairs Report – L. Monje-Paulson for Wm. Gregory Sawyer

L. Monje-Paulson reported that CAPS will be providing drop-in counseling in the Library for students in need until next Wednesday. She reported that Student Affairs was putting together an internal organization structure and infrastructure to enhance assessment of the co-curricular offerings in Student Affairs. A member asked how CAPS will provide confidentiality in the Library. H. Smith noted that she thought CAPS would be using a Library classroom, which is not part of the main library. A member asked that faculty be notified of this so they can refer students there.

Associated Students Report – M. Kadar

M. Kadar reported that JUMP will have Sonoma Serves on January 25th. The Chair noted she and the President will be saying congratulations to December grads at the Toast of the Town event.

From EPC: BA Global Studies revision – J. Lillig

J. Lillig introduced the item. EPC unanimously recommends that this item be on the Senate consent calendar. This revision is related to the merger of ENSP with Geography. This revision includes course changes to capstone courses and professional development courses and the structure of the major. **It was approved for the Senate consent calendar.**

Discussion of 2020 Faculty Retreat

L. Watt updated the members about the planning for the retreat. It was decided to focus the retreat on “resilience in the classroom.” The discussions will be around topics such as more flexible syllabi and how to help students who are affected by emergencies. There will be guest speakers providing the context of climate change in Sonoma County, and discussing institutional level responses to trauma and stress. There may be workshops on flexible syllabi, perhaps changing the year-long academic calendar. If discussion seems to be ended by lunch, the Retreat will end. The Retreat may include members of the CARE team. A member suggested CAPS may have information useful for the Retreat. The retreat will be held on January 16th. A light breakfast and lunch will be served.

Meet with Superlative Group – CSU/Corporate Partnerships

Andy Dolan and Dave Alley from ADT introduced themselves. In conjunction with the Superlative Group, they are visiting CSU campuses to discuss how to create more resources in the CSU other than the state allocation. The Chancellor convened a group to work on this issue and they identified a variety of key areas for exploration. One area is campus wide partnerships, which is what this discussion was about. How can public/private partnerships or strategic alliance come to life. This is phase one at SSU, meeting with different groups, such as finance, athletics, advancement, and this group. The corporate community can be a source for employment, internships, professional development and not just revenue. The discussion focused on examples of such partnerships. It was noted that this kind of initiative can be used with what campuses already do. In about three or four months the CFO will get a report from the Chancellor's group and then the campuses can decide to opt in on specific partnerships or not and discuss how the funds generated would be used. The CFO said she was excited about the potential of this effort and wanted the Ex Com to know about it. A member asked if this was a "pay to play" model and asked what the marketing layer would be. The response was that a survey would be given to campuses to identify where marketing could be leveraged. Figuring this out is what the Chancellor's group will be working on. It was affirmed that the CSU or campuses could put out RFPs for campus business and that could include more than just getting good price. A member noted that in the UC they ran into trouble with a travel vendor that had an agreement with the UC, but staff could find significantly less expensive flights and such. How would this program deal with that? A. Dolan responded that such a situation was an opportunity to shine a light on the vendor and ask them why their pricing structure was not competitive. It was clarified that some items may be purchased systemwide or could be leveraged by systemwide power and others would be campus specific. A member said that Grad Studies is working on a community based internship program that might work well with this kind of partnership approach. A member voiced a concern that these kinds of partnerships might impact faculty work and limit their ability to purchase what works with their discipline or personal preference. J. Lopes noted that SSU does not have any exclusive contracts at this time and all the CFO's in the system do not want to do that. A member asked whether the project was considering bundling marketing opportunities on the campus with products or just bundling products in the CSU. The response was yes, but each campus can make the decision. There may be products that it would make sense to bundle for the whole CSU and others not. For example, the structure of agreements could include bulk purchasing of products, discounts to employees and students for that product and at the end of the year, all that has been spent by employees, would be rebated back to the University.

APARC Report – S. Place

S. Place reported that APARC is revisiting the classroom conditions survey and rethinking the analysis of the results to make a more high level recommendation to the new classroom conditions workgroup. APARC has started discussions on priority recommendations. He described the recent issue with scantrons where one of the two machines that can read the scantrons went down and delayed test

scoring. APARC will also be taking up issues with IT which will probably be rolled in to the priority recommendations.

EPC Report – J. Lillig

J. Lillig said EPC is finishing up the content area criteria for critical thinking (A3). She described the content area criteria process so far. They are considering moving the Critical Race Studies overlay up in time. Next semester, S&T will come through with program revisions due to the GE changes.

Request to Present CSU/Elsevier negotiations to Senate – M. Wegmann

M. Wegmann said the Library wanted to share a message with various stakeholders on campus about ScienceDirect which is provided through Elsevier. The contract with Elsevier is running out and negotiations about a new contract are happening at the Chancellor's office. The negotiation team is asking for feedback from campuses. ScienceDirect is heavily used and is also very expensive. The library had created a website that could be used for feedback - <https://forms.gle/9wTnqwp4eCNXH5Sr7>. She wanted to discuss if this was appropriate to bring to the Senate. A member asked if there are any alternatives to Elsevier. M. Wegmann said they have not found any alternatives and many journals are not available elsewhere. A member argued that Library collections should be of interest to all faculty, no matter what discipline they come from. A member brought up "pay to publish" and described the issues that could affect RTP. The Chair thought that this item at the Senate could open up the discussion for larger issues. A member asked for an update in the Senate in the Spring from the Library about what might be going away or coming into the Library. K. Moranski offered that this conversation dovetails into the open access resources efforts. **It was approved for the Senate meeting.**

FSAC Report – P. Lane

P. Lane said FSAC is working on the questions for the Qualtrics survey on the URTTP policy. She reminded the members that Canvas will be used for discussions. She hoped to have those finished by the end of the semester.

SAC Report – H. Smith

H. Smith reported that SAC will bring forward a statement from the DRB about cheating and plagiarism. She also noted that a private equity firm has bought Canvas. She is looking at that from a student data and privacy perspective.

Occasional Lectures Report – C. Torres

C. Torres hoped that at the Faculty Retreat, there could be a discussion about changes in academics in SEIE and Libs/Ukiah. There was some discussion about this and it was decided that this was not appropriate for the retreat, but better communication was warranted in general for lecturers. The Senate might also

benefit from an update about SEIE. C. Torres wanted to alleviate stress of students and help lecturers.

Senate Agenda

AGENDA

Report of the Chair of the Faculty – L. A. Watt
Request for device
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Consent Items: From EPC: Curricular Revision: BA Global Studies

Special Presentation: CSU/Elsevier negotiations – R. Premo TC

Business

1. From EPC: Discontinuance: Reading and Language Arts Specialist Credential – J. Lillig – Second Reading
2. From APARC: New course modules – Second Reading – S. Place

M. Kadar asked that the new course modules be presented to the Associate Students Senate as well.

Approved.

Adjourned.

Minutes prepared by L. Holmstrom-Keyes