

Senate Executive Committee Minutes
April 3, 2013

Present: Tom Cropper, Jerry Jakubowski, Julie Chisholm, Nael Aly, Bill Schmidt, Michele Van Hoeck, Molly McQuiston, Steve Browne, Mike Strange, Cynthia Trevisan

1. Minutes from March 27 meeting approved

2. Chair's Report:

Scantron/Student evaluations:

Randy Thomas assisted with Scantron hook-up, which was time-consuming. The machine will be located in Pat Harper's office. Julie will likely have the form generated by end of day Friday.

Mike Strange will edit the old SUMMA cover sheet with instructions for faculty/student delivery.

Results of informal faculty poll on uniform standards/grooming (See attached):

Survey indicates most faculty do not believe it is their job to enforce standards, or they do not know if it is their job.

Comment: Corps is supposed to be enforcing standards, not faculty.

The Provost suggests we look at the role of faculty at other maritime academies in enforcing grooming standards. Julie will do that.

Comment: There are differences in faculty enforcement across different majors.

Comment: Enforcement has been inconsistent, which is confusing to students.

President: Requiring a uniform is a pedagogical strategy for teaching leadership. This system is badly broken right now. We need faculty support for the campus uniform policy.

Suggestion: We could make this a topic at next faculty retreat.

4. Vice Chair's Report

Mechanical Engineering Department Chair ballots will be in mailboxes tomorrow morning.

5. Statewide Senate Issues

Cynthia Trevisan and Mike Holden have volunteered to attend the next plenary. No objections raised.

Steve Browne reported on the statewide environmental sustainability resolution. We have three options: Do nothing, get started, discuss further. We could present this at the next Senate meeting and solicit members for a task force to look at this and come up with some details filled in for our campus

6. Administrator Evaluations

Mike Strange presented example policies from other CSU campuses, as well as the Cal Maritime Senate draft policy from 2009.

Comment: Current draft policy would be time consuming to administer, with several levels of review and rebuttal. Can we simplify the process so that it could be administered more frequently and provide more timely feedback?

Committee members will edit the policy for simplification of process and give edits to Mike Strange.