

Faculty Senate Executive Committee
Sept. 6, 2022, 3:15 pm
Music and Dramatic Arts 251

Present: Inessa Bazayev (President), Daniel Tirone (Vice President), Meredith Veldman (Secretary), Kevin Ringelman (Member-at-Large), Kyla Kazuschyk (Member-at-Large)
Guests: Jeffrey Roland, Michael Polito

Bazayev called the meeting to order at 3:16 pm.
Quorum established.
No public comments.

President's Report

- Louisiana Senate Resolution 6: Bazayev met with Pres. Tate and Provost Haggerty on 8/23. No movement. No meeting. When they do, Bazayev will be there.
- Vacant Faculty Senate Coordinator position: rebranded as Assistant to Faculty Senate President. 2-week application window. FSEC members asked to forward job description to anyone who might be interested.
- Potential dates for Faculty Council meeting at end of March under discussion. Looking for time when fewest faculty teach.
- Bazayev and Tirone meeting with Haggerty every other week; Bazayev and Tirone meeting with Tate every other month. Haggerty will meet every other month with FSEC: Oct 27, 3:15; Dec. 8, 3:15
- New Senate Orientation luncheon Sept 14 at The Club at noon; Faculty Senate Committee Chairs orientation: 3:00 pm, Sept. 14, on Zoom
- IT Governance Committee wants 5 committee members (5 faculty named by FS; 5 faculty named by Deans' Council)—Tirone: some confusion as to why that system; FSEC moratorium on appts to committees until Oct. anyway
- Bazayev and Tirone working with Student Govt RE student complaints re faculty failing to grade students' work in a timely manner:
 - Problems with LSU Cares—hard for students to figure out where and how to complain
 - Can we clarify PS 48, PS 29, PS 44?
 - Should there be a point of contact in each dept/ unit?
 - Questions RE vulnerability of instructors and grad students to complaints system
 - Need to decide which committees, can we consolidate the discussion?

Approval of Minutes from Aug. 29 FSEC meeting, with changes submitted by Parampreet Singh to Veldman.

Unfinished Business

COVID-19 Committee and Covid Survey Results, Jeff Roland and Michael Polito

Roland presented the survey results and asked FSEC how to distribute, in addition to posting on Covid committee website. Tirone: moved to add the results to the broadcast email to be sent out by the Faculty Senate. Motion passed unanimously.

Polito presented action items related to Covid testing. 1. Need for better communication about and a plan for equitable distribution of already purchased rapid tests for faculty. 2. Need for clear “one-sheeter” information linked to each LSU insurance plan explaining how to obtain reimbursement for the eight free Covid tests per household member per month mandated by the federal govt. Currently there is no information on the LSU HRM website. 3. Get LSU First to opt into Medimpact’s direct reimbursement plan. Currently LSU has not opted in and the information on the Medimpact website is incorrect for LSU First. Tirone suggested that the Covid Subcomm’ee work with the Benefits Committee on these issues.

Transfer evaluation for 1000- and 2000-level courses, Roland.

Tirone moved to invite Jackie Bach to future FSEC meeting to discuss policy development for transfer evaluation credit. Ringelman seconded; passed unanimously.

Newly Announced Policy Prohibiting Use of Zoom When Instructor is Sick or Must be Out of Town

Tirone moved to put hold on prior motions passed last month, on the grounds that they no longer apply, given the new policy announced last week. Ringelman seconded; passed unanimously.

New Business

FSEC Meeting Schedule for Fall 2022, Bazayev

Usual time will be Thursdays, 3:15, except for the weeks of Fall Break and Thanksgiving when the meeting will be on Tuesday. Last meeting of semester: Dec. 8.

Survey on Faculty Senate Committee Participation, Tirone

Discussion of what to include RE identifying info; decided to keep it as simple as possible: Last name, first name, College, email. Ringelman moved that Tirone will file the survey with IRB and ask for expedited review. Veldman seconded; passed unanimously.

Faculty Senate *ad hoc* and Standing Committees, Tirone

Tirone moved to postpone in interests of time. Ringelman seconded; passed unanimously.

Campus Safety Presentation at September Senate Meeting, Bazayev

Tirone moved that the presentation be limited to 20 minutes, with 10 minutes for questions. Ringelman seconded; passed unanimously.

New Senator Orientation, Tirone

Tirone outlined what would be covered; Kazuschyk asked that time be reserved for questions.

Outreach to New VP of Diversity, Inclusion, and Title IX, Veldman

Veldman moved to postpone discussion til next week. Tirone seconded; passed unanimously.

Faculty Broadcast email, Tirone

Tirone moved to postpone discussion til next week; Ringelman seconded; passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50.