

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting 10am, 6 November 2023 Virginia Martin-Howard Boardroom, School of Music

## Approved Minutes of the Meeting

## Attendance:

**Present: :** Inessa Bazayev (President), Daniel Tirone (Vice-President), Parampreet Singh (Secretary), Kyla Kazuschyk (Member-at-Large), Michelle Osborn (Member-at-Large), Kevin Ringelman (Member-at-Large), Tricia Cobb (Administrative Assistant)

## Absent: Mandi Lopez (Past President)

A regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee convened at 10:01 am on Nov 6, 2023, at the Virginia Martin-Howard Boardroom in the LSU campus, the President being the Chair and Secretary being present. The minutes of the last meeting were adopted following a motion by Kazuschyk.

In the Chair's updates, President Bazayev mentioned some faculty are facing classroom disruptions due to pranks played by a student dressed as a gorilla. Bazayev mentioned that AAUP committee formed to overcome double censures on LSU is having active discussions and working hard to address various concerns of AAUP. One of these issues is the terms of employment of senior instructors. In addition, Bazayev and Tirone have also discussed modifications to PS104 with the Office of Academic Affairs which are needed to overcome AAUP censures.

The first item for the unfinished business was Faculty Handbook revisions. There are some inconsistencies in the handbook regarding the vacation time for faculty when compared with the state laws. Tirone will send a draft overcoming these inconsistencies.

The second item of the unfinished business was College Policy Committees. Faculty members have reached out to FSEC leadership noting that some colleges do not have a policy committee. Committee members discussed the importance of this committee for shared governance at the college level and faculty rights.

The next item of business was Faculty Council Meeting and Committee. Committee members discussed the names of Ravi Rau and Brett Wolfe as potential members of this committee.

In the new business the first item was Disabilty Faculty & Staff Caucus. Tirone moved to postpone this item indefinitely. Passed unanimously.

The committee then discussed What Every Faculty Member Should Know from the November 2 Meeting. Tirone moved to approve the draft. The motion was passed unanimously.

The next item of business was the Broadcast Email. After a discussion, Tirone moved that it should contain President's report, What Every Faculty Member Should Know from the November 2 Meeting, charges of Faculty Appeals Board and Faculty Adjudication Committee and the presentation of chair Blake Howe of the Faculty Adjudication Committee. Passed unanimously.

Tirone moved to suspend the agenda and take ASH proposals as the next item of business. Passed unanimously. Ringelman moved to approve the proposal from the LSU Graduate School to add the Duolingo and Michigan English Tests to the existing English Language Proficiency tests. Passed unanimously. Tirone moved to postpone the discussion of proposal by CCELL for creating a Community Impact Certificate to the next meeting. Passed unanimously.

Tirone moved to suspend the agenda and take Faculty Technology Survey. Singh mentioned discussions with Vice Provost Jackie Bach and CIO Craig Woolley along with members of the Ed Tech committee of ITGC. LSU is the only institution in SEC universities to use Moodle as a Learning Management Software. Committee discussed benefits of a faculty driven survey on technology needs. Cobb would coordinate with Office of Academic Affairs on incentives for the survey.

Tirone moved to suspend the rules and take up the Faculty Senate resolution 19-07 which deals with allowing children of LSU faculty to attend LSU for a nominal fee. Passed unanimously. Bazayev will meet with Chief Administrative Officer Kimberly Lewis to discuss this issue.

Tirone moved to suspend the rules to allow Jennifer Baumgartner to discuss the QEP. Passed unanimously.

Jennifer Baumgartner from Lutrill and Payne School of Education discussed the scope and benefits of QEP-CxC-Geaux Communicate program. In the discussion, Ringelman pointed ways the program can potentially help in additional resources for TA's.

Tirone moved to suspend the rules and discuss Faculty Appeals Board as the next item of business. Committee members discussed faculty concerns on area of improvements for the charge and scope of the committee. Tirone moved to postpone the discussion till inputs are received from the Office of Academic Affairs. Passed unanimously.

Kazuschyk moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:37 am. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Parampreet Singh, Secretary