Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting
10am, 20 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), Kevin Ringelman (Member-at-Large).

Absent: Mandi Lopez (Past President), Michelle Osborn (Member-at-Large), Tricia Cobb (Administrative Assistant)

A regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee convened at 10:04 am on Nov 20, 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 Ringelman.

In the Chair's updates, President Bazayev updated on Faculty Council census, compliance issues regarding processes set forth by ASH and C&C committees and ambiguities in the definition of certificates for courses.

The first item of unfinished business was ASH proposals. After a discussion, Tirone moved to postpone proposal by the ASH committee concerning CCELL to the next meeting. Passed unanimously.

The committee then discussed Faculty Council Meeting & Committee. Tirone moved to create an ad hoc Faculty Council Committee with Ravi Rau, Param Singh and Brett Wolfe as members of this committee who will plan the Faculty Council meeting with FSEC. Passed unanimously. The meeting will be held on April 22nd, 2024 at 3 pm.

The committee then discussed Faculty Appeals Board. Tirone provided updates on discussions with the Office of Academic Affairs on the appeals processes.

The next item on agenda was Faculty Senate Resolution 19-07. Bazayev discussed about the upcoming meeting in December with Chief Administartive Officer Kimberly Lewis on this issue.

The committee then discussed Faculty Technology Survey. Singh mentioned that Vice Provost Jackie Bach, CIO Craig Wolleey and himself will present the idea of the survey to ITGC on Nov 29, 2023.

The next item from unfnished business was Archival Policy. Tirone moved to postpone this

topic to the next meeting. Passed unanimously.

The committee then discussed HR Policy Changes on parental leave for Faculty and Staff following Governor Edward's Executive Order JBE: 2023-18. These changes are expected to be in place from Jan 1, 2024 and HR plans to discuss these changes in the Faculty Senate meeting on Nov 29, 2023.

The next item of discussion was the agenda for Faculty Senate meeting. Ringelman moved to approve the agenda to include the President's report, address by President Tate, Resolution 23-05 concerning irrevocability of Optional Retirement Plan Enrollment by Faculty Senate Benefits Committee, Presentation on Faculty Survey on Educational Technology by Bach, Singh and Woolley and a presentation by Nikki Norton on parental leave policy. Passed unanimously.

The committee then discussed updates to Faculty Adjudication Committee Website. Chair of the committee Blake Howe has suggested to make various improvements. The committee appreciated various proposed changes. Tirone moved to remove the Grievance Procedures because it links to PS-80 which does not pertain to matters directly concerning the affairs of Faculty Adjudication Committee. Passed unanimously.

The next item of business was Committee Appointments. Singh moved to appoint Blake Howe, Rosemary Peters-Hill, Kevin Ringelman as faculty representatives on the committee for the student code of conduct. Passed unanimously. Singh moved to appoint Kyla Kazuschyk on the search committee for the Associate Vice President of SAA. Passed unanimously.

The committee then discussed fluctuations in the building temperatures. Committee members expressed concerns that various faculty and staff in some buildings on the campus are facing difficulties related to fluctuating temperatures amid aging equipment. Bazayev will get an update from Facility services.

The next item of business was the Town Hall meeting proposed by Provost Haggerty. Given the success of the previous meeting, Provost Haggerty has reached out to Faculty Senate leadership for another meeting to interact with the faculty. The meeting is expected to be held in late January/early February. Committee members were supportive of this initiative and suggested more time for questions during the Town Hall meeting.

Ringelman moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 am. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Parampreet Singh, Secretary