**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**MINUTES**

Tuesday, August 29, 2017

2:00 – 4:00 pm

Academic Senate Conference Room (AS-125)

Present:

Voting members: N. Schürer, J. Pandya, D. Stewart, A. Colburn, R. Fischer, R. Frear, E. Guzik;

Ex-officio members: K. Janousek, E. Klink, P. Soni;

Guests: J. Nino, Jordan Doering, D. Domingo-Forasté, S. Olson (for J. Moran), B. Jersky, J. Cormack, M. Stephens;

Senate staff: A. Montes

Not present: J. Moran

1. Called to Order
2. Approved Agenda
3. Approved minutes: Meeting of May 9, 2017 (typos corrected)
4. Announcements and Information: NS made reference to his convocation speech and his analysis of important issues for the upcoming AY; sustainability efforts organizers will visit us; new athletic director visit us; Larisa Hamada will visit and present on disability and other equity issues such as retaliation etc. Can she can present the rev. EO 1083?
	1. DD-F: Concern about “mandated reporting” noted (have on all syllabi).
	2. JC: Sayegh will roll out our core competency initiative for WASC.
	3. DTS: Bring up AS Policy 79-15 (UNIV 100 and First-year Seminars) during AY.
	4. MS: How is parking? (Much discussion).
5. Reminder
	1. Academic Senate meeting on September 7, 2017, 2:00 – 4:00 pm, PSY-150
		1. Senate’s Harbor tour immediately after meeting—can bring Significant Other or friend—meet at aquarium pier.
	2. Academic Senate Retreat on October 26, 2017, 2:00 – 4:00pm, PSY-150
6. Special Orders
	1. Report: Provost Jersky:
		1. Price of Textbook issue: Concern raised when VPs met with ASI: online portals w/ e-books from publishers @$200 each; if you rent with a six month license get bells and whistles—but then the book goes away and can’t get back. [KJ: average. e-book costs 20% more; people who read e-versions do not retain as much as paper; JP: get data from bookstore]. BJ: if you go through bookstore you get financial aid for books; but don’t get if go through Amazon, etc. [Price comparison at bookstore works but no 2nd hand Pierson digital version. NS: Is there a policy we can affect?] BJ: ask ASI to do a little survey about use—just one college. Some students who were not allowed to take notes on iPad with a stylus were told this was against policy. Several: May not be a good to ban electronic devices.
		2. Presidential merit awards for full professors coming out: salaries for full professors stalled, so can we do something salaries not keeping up? A formula developed: If there is outstanding work in 2/4 areas: administration (as in dept. chair), RSCA, teaching, or service. E.g., one time, $10K award to 75 faculty members = $750K. Not state funds = discretionary funds from other sources to be used. There are 300 full professors—to be chosen one would have to complete at least one ETF. One could get such an award every five years after an ETF.
		3. Redesigned budgetary process in Academic Affairs will involve process decentralization. Change in budgetary method. (MS: not getting more or less money). No longer come in a “gap model” (in arrears) but in advance—so actually a budget.
		4. Search cmte. for VP Finance position: NS on cmte. (Provost is chair; two faculty members including NS; two students, people from Division of Administration and Finance [DAF]).
		5. Air conditioning and cooling—dance classrooms get air conditioning; studios will get fans (at Dance request). First building up will be FA4, then FA3. Partial renovation will be done.
		6. EOs 1100 (GE) and 1110 (remedial) looking at carefully.
		7. EG and others: Problem of range elevations for lecturers who have been here 20+ years. Place on agenda?
7. New Business
	1. Academic Senate agenda for September 7, 2017 (handout; posted to web as revised)
	2. Executive Order 1100 from the Chancellor’s Office: timeline issue and what do on campus.
		1. 1110 is more lenient; summer 2018 allows pilots and old way of doing things; fall 2018 have to cease doing remedial programs; summer 2019 new programs in place.
		2. 1100, everything in place by fall 2018—so about three weeks to get new curriculum to college curriculum cmtes. BJ: interpreting 1100: nothing doing now precluded; down the road can have a new GE course. [JC will meet with Maggie McGlothin and Kerry Johnson to discuss. Can use 490 courses as pilots]. Ruth Piker is chair of GEGC. [What are actually the effects on our curriculum? EK: subtext is that GE will actually be redefined. Individual campuses can affect things like moving some A1 courses into majors and have writing across the curriculum. Four unit GE courses will become three units. How do we get out the info to the campus? JC will bring a report to the next meeting (send additional notes and concerns to JC by Thurs. noon). DTS: Upper division “E” courses will no longer count for E (must be lower division it seems)]. BJ: what are we trying to do here with equity (see 1110)? If student fails math 3 times—happens more with URMs and Pell grant students—the help comes by offering different math classes.
	3. Academic Administrators: Three reviews and two searches (Dean of Library 5 yr. review; Dean of COTA, 3yrs., AVP Faculty Affairs, 3 yrs. Search for new Vice Provost & Dean of Graduate Studies; new VP for Administration & Finance (call for 2nd faculty member; should give statement of 100 words). See AS Policy 17-08. Time frame to recruit cmte. for VP Admin/Fin is “do it very soon.”
	4. Topic ideas for Academic Senate Retreat: (1) GE; (2) Graduation Initiative 2025; (3) name of University—identity is strength and strategy; (4) relevance of new GE; (5) academic rigor; (6) opinion v. fact and fake news confronting our students [critical thinking]; (7) cost of instructional materials. What works best for students—book or digital? Affordability in multiple dimensions for students. (8) Mandated reporting [BJ: limited mandated reporters. Exception is for coaches; GAs are general reporters]; (9) DACA [communication due from CO. Hurricane. Harvey has delayed White House decision. CO will have a statement if repealed]; (10) work/life balance–the working student’s life. Need a topic that pulls in all constituencies at retreat, i.e. admin, staff, student, faculty. ACTION NEEDED: figure out in 2 weeks.
	5. Strategic Planning—president highlighted 18 month process including discussions in Town Halls, with colleges, with depts.., etc. for getting involvement. Where should the University be in 2025/2030?
	6. Question about “preferred name” use by faculty members (not just students)—ACTION: DTS will follow-up on “technological” or process problem.
8. Old Business
9. Adjournment