

Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting 25 April 2025 1pm, 251 Music and Dramatic Arts Building

Minutes of the Meeting

Attendance

Present: Daniel Tirone (President), Inessa Bazayev (Past-President), Parampreet Singh (Vice-President), Kyla Kazuschyk (Member-at-Large), Ken Lopata (Member-at-Large), Tricia Cobb (Administrative Assistant)

Absent: Michelle Osborn (Secretary), Carmela Mattza (Member-at-Large),

A regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee convened at 1:00 pm on April 25, 2025, in room 251 of the Music and Dramatic Arts Building at the LSU campus, with the President being the Chair. Secretary Michelle Osborn was absent, so minutes were recorded by Member-at-Large Kyla Kazuschyk. There were no public comments. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

President's Updates

- 1. Tirone will reach out to the President's Office to schedule the next meeting of members of the FSEC with President Tate.
- 2. Members of the faculty focus group investigating Glean met with Tirone, Brandon Common, and Jacqueline Bach to discuss advantages and disadvantages to Glean.
- 3. Tirone will speak to a group of graduate students from the School of Social Work on Thursday, May 1 on the topic of academic freedom.
- 4. Faculty members have until June 30 to make the one time switch from the ORP retirement plan to the TRSL.

5. According to Stanley Wilder, the library budget has been updated and the library will no longer have to prioritize subscriptions.

President's Updates

- 1. Tirone will reach out to the President's Office to schedule the next meeting of members of the FSEC with President Tate.
- 2. Members of the faculty focus group investigating Glean met with Tirone, Brandon Common, and Jacqueline Bach to discuss advantages and disadvantages to Glean.
- 3. Tirone will speak to a group of graduate students from the School of Social Work on Thursday, May 1 on the topic of academic freedom.
- 4. Faculty members have until June 30 to make the one time switch from the ORP retirement plan to the TRSL.

5. According to Stanley Wilder, the library budget has been updated and the library will no longer have to prioritize subscriptions.

New Business

- 1. The first item of new business was the **Pleasant Hall Office.** Cobb will contact procurement to confirm procedures.
- 2. The next item of new business was **Expense Requests.** After some discussion, Kazuschyk moved to approve the expenditure of up to 500 dollars for a new printer and printing supplies for the office of the FSEC Administrative Assistant. The motion was unanimously approved.

Singh moved to fund expenses for FSEC members to travel to the SEC Association of Faculty Leaders Summer Conference. The motion was unanimously approved. Lopata moved to approve finding for members of FSEC to attend the 82nd Annual Conference of Louisiana Colleges & Universities on Friday, May 9. The motion was unanimously approved.

- 3. The next item of new business was **First Year Seminar Course Resolution.** Tirone will reach out to the sponsor of the bill to invite them to an upcoming meeting.
- 4. The next item of new business was **E-Scooters**. Several people have expressed concerns surrounding safety. The Campus Safety and Security subcommittee will continue to investigate what steps can be taken.
- 5. The next item of new business was the **Moodle Leadership Visit.** Leaders from Moodle will visit LSU on May 13. Singh will arrange the day's meetings. Cobb will investigate lunch possibilities. Lopata moved to approve funding for lunches or catering for attendees. The motion was unanimously approved.
- 6. The next item of new business was the **ASH Proposal**. The possibility of bringing this item to the full senate was discussed. Lopata moved to place this on the agenda for the first or second full senate meeting in the fall. The motion was unanimously approved.
- 7. The next item of new business was **"What Every Faculty Member Should Know (WEFMSK)."** After correcting one typographical error, Kazuschyk moved to approve the draft as written. The motion was unanimously approved.
- 8. Lopata moved to suspend the agenda and take up the **Constructive Engagement Letter** as the next order as the next order of business. The motion was unanimously approved. The call for constructive engagement and the circulating letter from the AACU was discussed.
- 9. The next item of new business was the **Broadcast Email**. Discussion went over including the president's report, WEFMSK, the senate election results, the ODS satellite location, the June 30 deadline for the TRSL/ORP switch, and resources available to faculty. Singh moved to approve this list for the Broadcast Email. The motion was unanimously approved.
- 10. Lopata moved to postpone discussion of the **FSEC Meeting Schedule** until the next meeting. The motion was unanimously approved.
- 11. The next item of new business was **Senator Terms**. The faculty senate constitution states that one third of the seats must be replaced each year. Terms are fixed and held on fixed schedules. Lopata moved that we follow this procedure as stated in the constitution. The motion was unanimously approved.

12. The next item of new business was **FS Committee Openings**. We will look at what we need and add to the Broadcast Email a call for any interested faculty members to serve on committees.

Singh moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:37 pm. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kyla Kazuschyk, Member-at-Large