Cal State Fullerton

ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

OCTOBER 13, 2026

11:30 AM - 12:50 PM **MH-141**

Present: Bruschke, Childers, Dabirian, Gradilla, Graewingholt, Jarvis, Kleinjans, Mallicoat, Milligan, Swarat, Valdez

I. CALL TO ORDER

- Chair Dabirian called the meeting to order at 11:31am.

II. URGENT BUSINESS

- Is there an update with having the Dean of Students come talk to us? I just got an article that Cornell just banned frat parties? I want to know what they're doing for us.

  A: Yes, I will follow up to see if they can come next Tuesday.

- As I'm walking here the e-scooters and e-bikes are tied to the handrails. That's an ADA violation. They cannot do that because if someone needs those handrails, they won't be able to.

- The Psychology department is currently discussing lecturers and enfranchisement. The department gave 3 lecturers the right to vote. There is now a motion to remove the right to vote for lecturers. QBS 211 clearly gives departments the right to self-government. Deans should not be calling the chair to challenge. The second thing is it's a parliamentary question. It's not really a dean's question, right? Shared governance means you don't get to vote people off of your body if you think they're not going to vote the way you want. That's not a good way for departments to resolve their differences by starting to get a one vote majority, then removing other members.

  Robert's 44.4 is pretty clear. It takes a two-thirds vote. So, they've voted on their seats there. There's an open question about whether or not they've been seated, but those seats currently exist. Should the chair approach us, I would like this body to say yes, it takes a two-thirds vote.

  Q: What are they voting on exactly?

  A: They are voting to split the department.

  Clarification: They want to take a vote to decide whether to rescind the voting rights of the three adjunct faculty. So, if majority or two-thirds, that's a debating point, vote yes, then those three people will be off the constituency list and they will no longer have a voice. If the majority or two thirds vote no, then they will be kept on.

  Votes:

  Y: 9

  N: 0

  Abstain: 2

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (Swarat) We have all these e-mails going back and forth about the e-scooters and safety. I just came from a meeting and the President said he's going to look at this issue with the safety committee, and he already talked to the Chief about it.

  Q: (Graewingholt) Could we make a resolution that we want the spirit of that to look like and then send it to the police and have them do the thing?

  - Matthew Jarvis began drafting a resolution for consideration.

IV. TIME CERTAIN

12:30 PM
Topic: Extended Education Search Committee
Presenter: Provost Walker

- We are working on the search committee for the extended education position because Karen McKinley is retiring. The search committee that we put together so far includes one person from the Provost's Office, Sharon Ting, one Associate Dean, Karen George, because the associate deans work very closely with the person extension. Sri Sundaram, we've talked to him about chairing the committee because business actually has probably the largest presence in extension. From Extended Ed, Winnie Kang Abreu can bring both the international and the extended education experience, and then Carl Wentz. I was also thinking we should add someone from HHD, which is the other place where we have some larger programs.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- M/S/**P** (Jarvis/Valdez) Motion to approve the September 22nd EC Minutes. Motion passed.

5.1 EC Minutes 9-22-26 (draft)

- M/S/**P** (Jarvis/Gradilla) Motion to approve the September 29th EC Minutes. Motion passed.

5.2 EC Minutes 9-29-26 (draft)

5.3 EC Minutes 10-6-26 (draft) – *forthcoming*

VI. CHAIR'S REPORT

- One thing I wanted to bring up 210.000; I have brought it up to Sean and Mark, as you suggested, to make sure that what Jon [Bruschke] recommended on the Senate floor, which I really agree, Jon, it's a problem. As most of you know, it's about RTP for promotions there are when you have an ineligible chair. They're going to check with labor. This way, when we bring it back to the Senate floor, we can answer everyone's questions.
- The Executive Committee had an extensive discussion on this matter.

VII. STAFF REPORT

- No staff report.

VIII. COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

8.1 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee [Kleinjans], T 10-6-26, 1:00 – 2:00PM, PLS-256

- Met with quorum (hybrid).
- Discussed RACE Resolution on Shared Governance. This was a new version but not yet approved by RACE that was not sent prior to the meeting. There were some concerns about DEI Committee workload. Question asked was whether the DEI Committee is supporting this resolution. Discussion whether it is communication/ transparency in process or policy that is the issue. Cecil Chik was there, which was very helpful. There was a lack of clarity of what RACE wanted from the DEI Committee but it looks like at this point it is just whether to support it. I made the point that voting on this when it is not a final version is, let's say, awkward. I also mentioned that RACE might want to bring it to the AS when the president is there. Diaz Lara made the point that shared governance is not defined in the resolution. Was tabled until November.
- Second item on the agenda: Gender affirming name issue. Sarah Grant received email from chair in HSS in which a lecturer in their department mentioned that they were outed in DSS letters and at the Titan Bookstore as having a gender-affirming name, including difficulty of working with HR on removing the "dead" name from documents. Cecil Chik addressed this saying that there are legal policies that prevent some changes to be made for employees. Cecil is working with IT and HR to see what can be done for all faculty.
- Meeting ended at 1:45.

8.2 Academic Advising Committee [Mallicoat], F 10-9-26, 9:00 – 10:00AM, PLS-299

- Called to order at 9:02am.
- Anand Panangadan volunteered to serve as chair of the committee. Stacy will provided support for onboarding.
- Minutes from 9/11 meeting approved.
- The committee continued our discussions on the academic advising UPS. We discussed the distinction of the word “advising” from mentoring” and added language to the UPS that defines faculty academic advising as tasks (as defined in the UPS) where a faculty member receives a workload assignment.
- In the definition of advising tasks, we’ve added a reference to UPS 270.102 for specific duties of graduate program faculty advisors.
- We started the conversation on documentation and added language that advising activities (as defined in the UPS) shall be documented in the official campus-wide advising platform (we hesitated to name Titan Net should the platform change).
- We began the conversation on the “what” should be included in the advising notes, but ran out of time so we will pick that up at a future meeting. We also discussed adding language that advisors should be provided training and tools for completing the notes task.
- Dr. Tsong will present the advising structure and the role of advising in student success plan at the next meeting.
- Adjourned 10am.

8.3 Faculty Development Center Committee [Graewingholt], F 10-9-26, 9:30 – 11:00AM, Zoom

- Call to order: 9:32am Quorum reached.
- FDC Director Update - Kathleen Preston: Please share the latest FDC Newsletter with your faculty. It has resources around leading difficult classroom discussions and tackling tough topics. Section also on Trauma Informed Teaching. FDC Coffee and Tea at the FDC, now hosted in the Faculty Collaboration and Hoteling Space (PLS-244). New Faculty Support Workshops are coming up for those working on their prospectus. Department Chair Support, RTP Rebuttals discussion held in Council of Chairs. Leadership Academy for Chairs continues today. Sessions on Leading Through Tension and Managing Climate, Culture, and Consensus. New Faculty Center in the portal, please start using it. It collects the View My Schedule (My Teaching Schedule), Class Roster, and Grade Roster functionality into a single location. Sunsetting the other tiles at the end of fall term. Please give feedback to Kathleen on the new functionality. Please remember to nominate faculty for the FDC Service Recognition Award, due today at 5pm.
- Motion to approve meeting minutes from September. Moved Eileen/Second Michaela.
- Reviewed FEID Award Call drafted by subcommittee. All voted in favor to approve the call draft. Will go out before winter break due in February.
- Reviewed the FEID Award Rubric. Based on last years' experience, the committee needed additional options to allow for excellent, above and beyond proposals. The previous rubric gave credit for missing information as there was no zero point option. Realigned the new rubric with revised point breakdown and with new goals for the year. Asked for student feedback on the theme. Motioned to approve the rubric Eileen/second Michaela. Approved.
- Update from Michaela Bettez: Open Access Publishing Support Workshops coming up during Open Access Week starting October 19th. Funding is also open to staff, grad students, anyone affiliated with CSUF.
- Motioned to Adjourn, Pratanu Second. Adjourned at 10:13am

8.4 Faculty Research Policy Committee [Jarvis], T 10-13-26, 9:00 – 10:00AM, MH-141

- Met 10/13. Working on 610.000.
- Mostly making changes suggested by Binod.
- Question: are we appointing a Conflict of Interest committee like the policy suggests? We're doing this one and the Misconduct committee as sort of ad hocs....should we label them as such in our policies?

- Document is nearly ready to go; likely voting by email.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Revisions to UPS 104.000 Student Participation in Department Decision Making

- The document was forwarded to the DE&I Committee for comments in accordance with UPS 100.015.

9.2 E-Scooters – (Discussion Item)

- A resolution will be drafted by Matthew Jarvis and Stacy Mallicoat and circulated back to Exec to review before forwarding to the Senate for consideration.

X. ADJOURNMENT