



**ACADEMIC SENATE  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
APRIL 14, 2026**

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

**CP-1060-05**

Present: Bono, Childers, Gradilla, Graewingholt, Jarvis, Kanel, Kleinjans, Milligan, Swarat, Wood

## **I. CALL TO ORDER**

- Chair Jarvis called the meeting to order at 11:30 am.

## **II. URGENT BUSINESS**

- Deanship Naming
  - There is an endowment for the naming of the Dean of COTA in the works, a named deanship.
  - The Executive Committee had an extensive discussion on this item.
  - The timeline has been explained to Kim Shiner, so once the packet has been assembled, it be forwarded to Exec.
- The Executive Committee went into Executive Session.

## **III. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- No announcements.

## **IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 4.1 EC Minutes 4-7-26 (draft) - *forthcoming*

## **V. CHAIR'S REPORT**

- The staff and chair offices are now fully online. MH 141 can be used; there is a temporary patch for internet in the room. We need to test it to see if Zoom room works.

We aren't scheduling committees in MH-141 because we don't know when they're going to be coming in to complete the work and we don't want to be scrambling to get conference rooms for committee meetings. The committees that we know use the Zoom room, we have them located somewhere else.

Q: (Kanel) Is Exec going to continue meeting in CP-1060?

A: (Jarvis) The staff will test the equipment, and we will go from there, because Mike zooms in.

## **VI. STAFF REPORT**

- There are two breakfast options for the Academic Senate Marathon meeting: a continental breakfast or a full breakfast.
  - Exec discussed and agreed on the full breakfast option.

## **VII. COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS**

7.1 Academic Advising Committee [Bono], F, 4-10-26, 9:00 - 10:00 AM, PLS-299

- No report submitted.

## 7.2 Faculty Development Center Committee [Graewingholt], F, 4-10-26, 9:30 - 11:00 AM, Zoom

- Quorum met at 9:30am, moved FEID applications to urgent business to ensure time.
- FEID Reviews and Recommendations: 53 applications, evenly distributed among ranks. 19 Assistant, 16 Associate, 17 full faculty, and 1 part-time lecturer applied. Applications came from across all colleges, including the library. 19 applications ranked as strongly recommended and 5 recommended. How many get awarded always depends on funding available, but it's encouraged to apply for the summer stipends. Next year we will move to a larger point rubric score to allow for an easier time ranking applications. Faculty will be notified as soon as Kathleen hears back from the Provost, usually in April.
- Announcements: Chancellor's Office will be sending out a call for LIFT proposals to revamp courses soon.
- Approved 1/30/26 meeting minutes.
- The Committee did not meet due to the following recent conflicts with our meeting time, so faculty gave updates from their own attendance:
  - Teaching for Social Justice Conference (Feb) - Overwhelmingly positive faculty feedback, it was a very successful conference. Engaged faculty learning community. As a new conference it was noted this is a new, excellent opportunity for junior faculty to present their research.
  - Faculty Senate Spring Retreat (Mar) - Faculty got together in PLN-130 to discuss potential policy implications around Artificial Intelligence. More to come on next steps, feedback was sent to Senate Exec.
- Kathleen Preston Update:
  - Department Chair support this week, reviewed Concussion Protocol, Faculty360, Concur presentation, and updates about the University Digital Roadmap.
  - Accessibility Open Labs happening daily until April 24. 10am-12pm and 3-5pm. New faculty monthly support meetings - April 15th & 16th. Emphasizing Linguistic Inclusion.
  - FDC Newsletter is within Outlook Newsletter now. It provides analytics and allows you to see previous editions of the newsletter.
  - Summer Chairs retreats coming up August 14th (new chairs only) & Aug 15th.
  - Currently, 18 incoming T/TT faculty. New faculty orientation dates are July 31st, Aug 4th, Aug 11th, Aug 12th, Aug 18th. Resource Fair Aug 18th. New Lecturer Orientation Aug 18th.
  - Cal-OER Conference call for proposals went out yesterday, also in the newsletter.
- Michaela discussed the election of the Chair at the next meeting. She encourages those who are interested to consider running.

## 7.3 Planning, Resource & Budget Committee [Jarvis], F, 4-10-26, 1:00 - 2:30 PM, PLS-299

- Brief discussion of IRA funding as an issue and when to calendar a discussion around that.
- ANTH reunification. Passed unanimously.
- Student conduct: AI and cheating. AI policies in syllabus make it easier for consequences but also deters abuse by students.
- Discussion of budget memo. Lots of ideas tossed out; committee will survey and collect opinions on ideas and craft a memo from that.

## 7.4 General Education Committee [Childers], F, 4-10-26, 2:00 - 4:00 PM, Zoom

- Quorum met
- Minutes of the last meeting approved
- Course reviews:
  - HUSR/COUN 350 - approved for GE Area 4U
  - CRJU 301 - more information needed on how the course addresses GE Area 4U, not approved
- Committee plans to meet again on 5/1 to review any additional course info that comes in and discuss rubrics

## VIII. NEW BUSINESS

### 8.1 Program Discontinuance - Spring 2026

- Exec received two program discontinuances; both documents will be added to the next AS agenda as a consent calendar item.

### 8.2 Proposal to Restructure Anthropology

- (Jarvis) They had their open forum. Ed Fink was the only non-anthropologist to show up. So PRBC approved it.
- This document will be added to the next AS agenda as a consent calendar item.

### 8.3 Revisions to UPS 300.015 - Undergraduate Repetition of Courses

#### 1. Revisions to UPS 300.015 - Undergraduate Repetition of Courses – Clean Version

- This document will be added to the next AS agenda as a consent calendar item.

### 8.4 New Scholarship System - (Discussion Item)

- (Jarvis) There's a new scholarship system, and it's doing a bad job of screening. It's in a sense student friendly, because it's showing them all the scholarships. So, there are students who are applying for scholarships that they are not eligible for, and the system is not screening them out.
- The Executive Committee discussed this issue.

#### Suggestion:

- For Chair Jarvis to reach out to Jessica Barco and Meghan Paradiso-Alva on this issue.

### 8.5 IRA funds - (Discussion Item)

- (Jarvis) People are upset with the reduction in IRA Funds. We will probably receive a resolution at Senate. Their ask is for the president to restore funding back to 24-25 levels and give everybody the IRA funds they got last year.

## IX. ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm.