

ACADEMIC SENATE  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
MAY 19, 2026

11:00 AM - 12:15 PM

MH-141

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

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

- Chair Dabirian called the meeting to order at 11:00 am.

**II. URGENT BUSINESS**

- The Executive Committee gave gifts of appreciation to the Immediate Past-Chair Matthew Jarvis for the end of his 2.5 year term chairing the Academic Senate and to Sheretha Benjamin for her retirement after 15 years of service working in the Academic Senate Office.

**III. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(Brusckke) Megan Tommerup passed away over the Spring break. She won the very first Outstanding Lecturer of the Year Award in 2016, and her officemates and other lecturers are having a memorial for her upstairs in MH-457.

Q: (Dabirian) Was she recognized at the Senate meeting?

A: (Jarvis) Yes, we recognized her at the April 23<sup>rd</sup> Senate Meeting.

- (Valdez) I wanted to follow-up on the question that was asked by Senator Perez about the land acknowledgement in the last Senate meeting because, from my knowledge back when I was on the DEI committee when we were tasked with it. When we reached out to the Inter-Tribal Council, they basically told us not to touch it. So, when it was brought up, I didn't know if I should clarify that now or later, or if we reach back out and see if now they are ready to have a discussion about it.

- The Executive Committee had an extensive discussion on this matter.

Q: (Graewingholt) Didn't ASI come up with their own and then there was a back-and-forth discussion?

A: (Dabirian) Yes, and Senator Perez was actually on Exec when we started it, so he brought it back. Then we were working with Student Affairs, and the tribal council got together and said, "don't do it". So, I don't know where we are, but I can ask Megan Lonski as she might know more.

Suggestion:

(Jarvis) At the first meeting do a discussion of the land acknowledge and what Cal State Fullerton is doing.

(Dabirian) Megan Lonski and Cecil Chik to be invited to speak at a Senate meeting regarding the land acknowledgement and Senator Gradilla to do a brief framing of the work done by NAGPRA.

- (Gradilla) HSS did the three graduations and they finished in like 90-ish minutes. We need to poll the students. The students said something about their stage crossing experience being a little confusing. We need to follow up on that.

- The Executive Committee had an extensive discussion on this matter.

- (Dabirian) I will take this input to my 1:1 meeting with President Rochon.

Q: (Graewingholt) Is there any change to the number of tickets? I have heard from students this year they don't have enough tickets.

A: (Dabirian) No, everybody gets 8.

Suggestion:

(Jarvis) This can be an opportunity for the new VP of University Advancement.

#### **IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- M/S/P (Graewingholt/Jarvis) Motion to approve the May 12<sup>th</sup> EC Minutes. Motion passed.

4.1 EC Minutes 5-12-26 (draft)

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

- I am going to make an appointment with each of the cabinet members, and I need your input on what topics you want to talk about. If there is something you want me to bring up with each cabinet member, I will bring it up. I will talk with the President to schedule a meeting between Exec and the cabinet during the summer to lay out a plan for the next year. I think it would be great to have a 2-hour meeting with the President and the cabinet and put our priorities on the table and see what their priorities are, as well. We used to do this during the Milton era, where the Executive Committee met for about 3 hours with the cabinet and we set the agenda to use for the next year to plan what work Senate needs to get done. I will push to see a good time in the summer where we can all be present.
- (Jarvis) Chris Manriquez wants to do an IT Roadmap presentation at one of the Fall Senate meetings.

Suggestions:

To have the Fall Fiscal State and all presentations occur earlier in the Fall semester.

#### **VI. STAFF REPORT**

- No report.

#### **VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

7.1 Faculty Committee Assignments for Standing Committees and Misc. Boards, AY 2026-2027

- Exec continued working on filling AS Standing Committees and Misc. Boards vacancies. An email will be sent out to faculty asking them to serve. Once we receive acceptance, the faculty member's name will be added to the consent calendar for the August 27<sup>th</sup> Senate meeting.
- (Graewingholt) Motion to extend discussion for 15 minutes. Motion passed.

#### **VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

8.1 Proposed Summer Meeting Dates - Summer 2026

- Exec discussed the summer meeting dates.
- The dates approved: June 2, June 16, July 14, July 28, and August 11.

8.2 Liaison Choices 2026-27

- Executive Committee reviewed liaison assignments and will discuss at the next Exec meeting once all responses are received.
- (Kleinjans) The University Writing committee discussed changing the frequency of the meetings for next year. I just wanted to bring this to your attention.

8.3 Calendar AS Mtgs F 2026 - SP 2027 (draft)

- Exec reviewed and edited the proposed draft calendar. The calendar will be approved at the August 27<sup>th</sup> AS meeting.

8.4 Orientation for Committee Chairs [A Friday in September, an AM/PM session]

8.5 AA/AS Annual Retreat, Fall 2026 - Date TBD / Topic: TBD

8.6 UPS Documents for Review AY 2026-27

8.7 Annual Reports for Review from AY 2025-26

#### **IX. ADJOURNMENT**

- Meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm.