Cal State Fullerton

ACADEMIC SENATE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
JUNE 16, 2026

11:30 AM - 1:00 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 11:30 am.

II. URGENT BUSINESS

Q: Could we get some guidance on the status of the H1B visa issues related to faculty recruitment?

A: We can make this an action item for the provost when he comes to our meeting on the 14th.

- To follow up from our discussion at the last meeting: I confirmed with the CBE chairs and associate deans that they are not requiring or encouraging part-time or full-time lecturers to run for university committees.
- Our department recently needed to move our read posters and received a chargeback of $2,400. Department chargebacks are not being transparent. It is such a long process and I wanted to know if anyone else had issues related to this?

Q: Is there a catalog for charges we can refer to?

A: I do not think so. Just the rate of charges has been brought back to the cabinet. Everything that is not a part of routine maintenance requires a chargeback.

Q: Is this campus wide?

A: Yes, campus wide.

- Exec had an extensive discussion on this and agreed that concerns be elevated through deans and custodial leadership. Chair Dabirian agreed to explore whether certain work could be considered part of regular maintenance.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- No announcements.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- M/S/**P** (Jarvis/Graewingholt) Motion to approve the June 2nd EC Minutes. Motion passed.

4.1 EC Minutes 6-2-26 (draft)

V. CHAIR'S REPORT

- I had a meeting with the President and a meeting with Sean. The President agreed to hold a joint meeting between the Executive Committee and the Cabinet, and he committed to providing lunch. He is going to work with the cabinet to find a date. I said we have to work together. The Senate has the same mission as the University. We will bring up our priorities, and they will bring up their priorities. If we need to, we will add another meeting if we use one of our remaining Exec dates.

  The President also indicated that he has asked deans and vice presidents to attend Senate meetings. If they cannot attend, they will need to notify why they are unable to attend.

Q: (Jarvis) The library did come to me to ask about going to a chevron seating style for the meetings.

A: (Dabirian) I don't like it. The Senate has always been circular, and that is important, because otherwise it looks like a classroom set-up, and that is not how the Senate should run.

- There is going to be a remodel in PLN-130. I am going to talk to Sean and Eric Hanson and request new furniture. It needs to become more spacious. Maybe we can flip the room to give more gallery space.

Q: (Graewingholt) Can we revisit the Zoom broadcast options for the Senate meetings?

A: (Dabirian) Yes, we will revisit the Zoom broadcasting conversation. A lot of people are asking.

- UPS 210.000 and UPS 210.500 were discussed, and we really want to have policies that the President will use. We want to make sure the searches follow the policies and we really need to sit down and make sure we have a policy that is enforceable. We don't want anyone violating the policy. He agreed to work with HR to make that work, so there was no disagreement. I will talk with Phenicia to see what the requirements are first and bring it back to you to look at it and see if we agree on some of the basic concepts. I told him we would not take anything to Senate without Exec being supportive. We will discuss first and then forward it to Senate.

Q: (Graewingholt) Can we have something in the policy that states a process to follow if there is a failed search?

A: (Dabirian) Yes, I agree.

Q: (Swarat) Can we also have communication of the outcome of the search? That should be stipulated in policy. There is a lack of clarity as to what level certain positions need to be communicated to whom.

A: (Dabirian) Yes, I said if the Senate assigns the faculty, then the Senate, especially the Senate Chair, will need to be communicated with ahead of time to know these outcomes. The search committee needs to be notified first, Senate Executive Committee second, then a campus-wide announcement. I will talk with VP Doss and Tran My about this.

- I asked questions about the Executive searches, and he wants to get the three dean searches done next year. We do not know the details yet. He also wants to get the Vice President for Administration and Finance done in the Fall. We will send an email to everyone on the dean search committees that they will resume next academic year.

- I discussed with the President to discuss with the Cabinet to schedule presentations during the Fall because the Senate is busy in the Spring, and we need to get through all of our policies.
- I discussed with the President and Sean the policy process and emphasized that ex officio members should raise concerns during committee review rather than waiting until items reach the Senate floor or President's review. I also asked that he tell his VP's and deans to speak up during the Senate meetings if they do not agree with what is on the Senate floor or if they do not want something to pass.

Q: (Swarat) Can we ask the chair of the respective committees and the ex officio members to attend the Senate meeting where a particular UPS is being discussed?

A: (Jarvis) I did that a number of times.

- I will speak with Tran My about improving campus communications so messages are shorter, clearer, and include guidance on next steps.

VI. STAFF REPORT

- All pending transmittals that were with the President have been approved and will be sent to campus shortly.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

- Exec discussed the remaining AS Standing Committees and Misc. Boards vacancies.

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

7.3 UPS Documents for Review AY 2026-27

1. UPS Documents for Review AY 2026-27 – Summary

- Exec began working on reviewing the UPS documents that need to be reviewed and identified which committee they need to be assigned to.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Annual Reports for Review from AY 2025-26

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8.2 Revisions to UPS 100.300 - Policy and Procedures for Naming of Facilities, Properties, Colleges, Schools, and Academic Entities

8.3 Scottish Rite Naming – (Discussion item)

- (Dabirian) I spoke with the President that whenever any type of naming comes in, Exec should write a statement that discusses any issues we have with it, and to put in writing something for the President to review. Can I have two volunteers to draft a one-page statement summarizing our discussion, including concerns, positive aspects, and possible recommendations?
- The Executive Committee had an extensive discission on this matter. Megan Graewingholt and Stacy Mallicoat agreed to draft a response.

  (Swarat) Can we find an alternative wording for the word “program”?

  (Childers) Clinic, service, initiative.
- Exec agreed to go with the word “initiative”.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

➢ Meeting adjourned at 1:04 pm.