

ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES JUNE 2, 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: Can we know who the rest of the College of Education Dean search committee is so we can get that announced as soon as we come back in Fall, and can begin working on the call?

A: We already did that last year.

Q: Did the President assign his people?

A: Not yet.

- Chair Dabirian will discuss this with the President during his 1:1.
- The Executive Committee went into Executive Session.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- (Jarvis) Interviews have begun to fill the ASC position for the Academic Senate office.
- (Graewingholt) The library is hosting the CSU-wide Library Conference today.
- (Bruschke) I submitted a brief related to a first amendment case by the Montana Supreme Court, and it helped the free speech side win!
- (Mallicoat) Drop off your ballots if you haven't already. Go vote!

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- M/S/P (Jarvis/Graewingholt) Motion to approve the May 19th EC Minutes. Motion passed.
- 4.1 EC Minutes 5-19-26 (draft)

V. CHAIR'S REPORT

- I have had conversations with the President about a joint meeting between Exec and the Cabinet. He tentatively said yes and that we will discuss it during our 1:1.

Moving forward, I have also mentioned to Sean and the President that if there are requests or presentations for the Senate, we need to be notified and get them ahead of time. I am going to request that presentations are sent to Exec the Tuesday prior to our Senate meetings. Once we are given the presentations, they cannot be changed, and if they are not received by then, they will not go on the agenda.

Suggestion:

(Jarvis) To have all Senate reports written and if there is anything to add to the report at the meeting, to verbally add it.

Q: (Graewingholt) What happened to the presentation about the Transportation Plan that was in the works?

A: (Dabirian) I spoke with Kristen Jasko a few days ago and she said something is coming.

- The Executive Committee had an extensive discussion on this matter.
- (Dabirian) I will invite Sarab Singh and Kristen Jasko to come to Exec to speak about this.
- ASI had their first meeting to elect their student government on Monday, June 1st. It was very fun to see them go through this process. The ASI Board of Directors Chair is Deniz Suzer and the Vice Chair is Yahir Flores.

VI. STAFF REPORT

- Please send over your alternates if you have not done so already and please include if your alternate is a department chair or not.

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. Exec tabled this discussion until the next meeting on June 16th.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

8.1 Liaison Choices 2026-27

- Executive Committee reviewed the liaison assignments to make sure there was a liaison on each standing committee.

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

- (Dabirian) We will choose a date for the orientation meetings early in September.

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

- (Dabirian) We need to look at all the AI things we did at the last one and have a follow-up discussion on that. Any other topics?
- (Mallicoat) Can we get an update on Strategic Enrollment Management?

(Bruschke) Well, our admission rates have gone up, and we haven't had classrooms, right? And all the people I talk to that are doing GE see there is a crisis in quality. Our students are not prepared and instructors feel overwhelmed. I think we should pair those two things up. I also think it's sort of an AI thing also because we take unprepared students, put them in these mass lectures, and they are unprepared, so they fall behind and the answer is ChatGPT.

(Mallicoat) I know that some of our sister campuses are struggling, so I just want to know what this looks like for us.

(Swarat) There are two frameworks that are being launched by the Chancellor's Office. One is the [CSU Student Success Framework](#) and the other is the [CSU Strategic Enrollment Framework](#). These two things are coupled, but nobody truly understands what they mean. I think it would be a good use of Senate time for the people who are leading these initiatives to explain to the faculty body what this is, what they are doing about it, and let faculty give feedback on it.

- (Dabirian) Okay, so #1 topic will be Strategic Enrollment Management, and #2 topic will be a follow-up on AI. If you have any other suggestions, let me know. I will discuss a date with the Provost and bring this back to Exec.

8.4 UPS Documents for Review AY 2026-27

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

8.5 Annual Reports for Review from AY 2025-26

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

IX. ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 12:55 pm.