

ACADEMIC SENATE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES
APRIL 8, 2025

Approved 4-29-25

11:30 AM - 12:50 PM

MH-484

Present: Childers, Gradilla, Jarvis, Kanel, Kleinjans, Mallicoat, Swarat, Valdez, Wood
Absent: Milligan

I. CALL TO ORDER

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

II. URGENT BUSINESS

- Academic Dishonesty Policy
 - I have received some strongly worded emails pushing to include the language for Artificial Intelligence (AI) back into the policy. Some of the asks they have is not reasonable, they want the following:
 - faculty jurisdiction to override committee decision
 - IT to have a tool to tell them it is AI
 - to call out AI as one specific type of plagiarism
 - Exec had an extensive discussion on this.
 - M/S/P (Kleinjans/Mallicoat) Motion to ask UCC to look at the Syllabi Policy to add Artificial Intelligence into the document. Motion passed.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- M/S/P (Kanel/Kleinjans) Motion to approve the March 11th EC minutes. Motion passed.
 - 4.1 EC Minutes 3-11-25 (draft)
- M/S/P (Kanel/Mallicoat) Motion to approve the March 18th EC minutes. Motion passed.
 - 4.2 EC Minutes 3-18-25 (draft)
 - 4.3 EC Minutes 3-25-25 - *forthcoming*

V. CHAIR'S REPORT

- The announcement for the VP of Student Affairs came out today.
- Potential topic for the fall 2025 AA/AS Retreat is Artificial Intelligence. My vision is we have an in-person retreat with online workshops and people doing stuff to make it broader.
 - Q: (Mallicoat) Can we have the date of the AA/AS Retreat announced as soon as possible?
 - A: (Jarvis) Yes. I have already been socializing the retreat with President Rochon to get it on his agenda so we can get a date.
- The President cannot make the May 1st AS meeting, so we will move the Fiscal State of the University Presentation to the April 24th AS meeting. Questions will more than likely carry over to the May 1st AS meeting.

VI. PROVOST REPORT – 12:30 PM

- Immigration has been canceling visas for our students and it's very hard to reinstate them. They have changed it from criminal records to others, so it will almost be impossible for us to reinstate them. We won't know the status of those are going to be, and our hands are tied.

The process when you get terminated you have to get reinstated by the institution to get another I-20. We have to verify why they were let go, why their status was cancelled. If it says criminal activity; how do we know what the criminal activity is? How do we go through the process? Criminal activity could mean you had a citation, a parking ticket, or anything and they could cancel the visa. So, it's really devastating for some of our international students. We will keep working on it just have grace for our students.

Q: (Kleinjans) Is there any way to inform faculty of that so the faculty that has these students can work with them?

A: (Provost) My suggestion is if the student is enrolled, have them go see the department chair of that department or program, Also, let the associate dean know, for example that the student is two courses away from graduating, then the department can deal with how they can make accommodation. We fully support whatever the department wants to do with the students. The students have to deport immediately, so if someone has a year to go, it's impossible to help them.

Q: (Valdez) If they do have a year to go, could we grant honorary degrees so they could be finished and get a job to pay off loans?

A: (Provost) Honorary degrees have to go through the Chancellor's office. I could talk to the Chancellor's office, but the problem is going to be at what stage, how far they are, and what they want to be. Most of these are graduate students and most of our graduate courses are not online, they are in person.

My recommendation is to have them take courses in their home countries. If we have a sister campus that we think is comparable to us, the chair of the department could recommend them to go take three classes there courses and we could make an exception and give them a degree. We will have to be creative for our students and deal with them one at a time.

Q: (Jarvis) Can we keep them enrolled even if they are not here?

A: (Provost) Yes.

VII. STAFF REPORT

- We only have one person who has taken out a petition for the part-time Senate seat. If you know anyone who would be interested, encourage them to get a petition.

VIII. COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

8.1 Information Technology Committee [Childers], F, 3-28-25, 10:00 - 11:00 AM, Zoom

- Minutes of last two meetings were approved.
- Willie provided IT updates
 - website accessibility - \$800 faculty stipends available this summer to move dept webpages to V5
 - IT disaster recovery exercise May 24
 - Upcoming cybersecurity phishing campaign in April
 - classroom refresh continues this summer focusing on college-owned classrooms, some interactive displays available
 - All AI 2025 scheduled for April 25
- Jon Bruschke, Lisa Tran, and Elaine Lewinnek presented on concerns about TitanGPT.

8.2 Campus Facilities & Beautification Committee [Swarat], F, 3-28-25, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM, Zoom

- Quorum met.
 - Guest: Laura Reigler from CPFM discussed proposal to install Bluebold Solar Benches to be installed on campus.
 - "Free" with advertisement sold by the company; We have "first right of refusal" on the content of the advertisement.
 - We get a share of the advertising profit. Committee asked who would benefit from the profit.
 - Committee had a lot of questions about this.

- Gust: Kristen Jasko from University Services regarding the campus No-Vehicle Zone and proposed changes to President Directive 16.
 - Lively discussion took place.
- 8.3 General Education Committee [Childers], F, 3-28-25, 2:00 - 4:00 PM, Zoom
- No report submitted.
- 8.4 Library Committee [Milligan], M, 4-7-25, 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM, PLS-299
- No report submitted.
- 8.5 Extension and International Programs Committee [Gradilla], M, 4-7-25, 3:00 - 4:00 PM, CP-950-925
- The EIP committee discussed process and shared governance issues regarding the UPS 450.500 Policy for Non-Academic Credit/CEU Certificate Programs Implementation and Awarding of the Continuing Education Unit since this is about non-state side certificate development. This proposed update focuses on these certificate programs' specific needs since they generate income.
- 8.6 Faculty Research Policy Committee [Kanel], T, 4-8-25, 9:00 - 10:00 AM, MH-141
- Met in person, 4/8/2025, not a quorum to vote, but much discussion about workload policy and resolution. This is a complicated issue: what is the role of the CBA, the role of the CO? Why are things not standardized? If left to CBA only, it's probable that a one size fits all won't work. Decided to just go with the resolution given to Matt prior to Spring break, and they seek this on this week's agenda as was previously promised them. It was noticed that it's not on the agenda for Thursday and they ask that it be put on new business this week.
 - Updates to UPS 650.000 Intramural Research Grants: The biggest change is moving from 8 to 12 units for Jr. grants in hopes of allowing those who aren't yet full professors to receive the grant and move forward toward tenure and promotion without the competition from full professors.
- 8.7 Student Academic Life Committee [Milligan], T, 4-8-25, 9:00 - 10:00 AM, Zoom
- No report submitted.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 9.1 New UPS 210.006 - Search Committees for Administrative Personnel

X. NEW BUSINESS

- 10.1 Academic Council on International Programs (ACIP) Representative

Suggestions:

- John Hickok
- April Bullock

- 10.2 New UPS 310.000 Credit for Prior Learning

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

- 10.3 Revisions to UPS 300.030 Academic Appeals

- Update the title of the document to "Academic Appeals Regarding Capricious or Arbitrary Assignment of a Grade".
- Line 3: add wording "The process for appeals related to academic dishonesty is addressed in UPS 300.021".
- Exec agreed to keep this document with Exec to review the document for additional changes and bring it back at next week's meeting.

Additional new business:

- Resolution on Faculty Workload Equity and the Inclusion of Research, Scholarly, and Creative Activity (RSCA) in Workload Calculations received from the Faculty Research Policy Committee.
- Exec discussed the resolution; it will be added to the next AS agenda as a new business item.

10.4 Strategic Plan UPS Pain Point Survey - (Discussion item)

- Exec discussed, Kristin Kleinjans and Su Swarat volunteered to work with Chair Jarvis on the survey.

10.5 Peer Review Panel - Range Elevation Appeal Process - (Discussion item)

Suggestions:

- Stephen Mexal
- Randall Goldberg
- Kristin Kleinjans
- Adam Glesser
- Jasamin Rostam-Kolayi
- Michael Shafae

10.6 Letter from RACE - (Discussion item)

10.7 CSU Generative AI Committee Report - (Discussion item)

10.8 GEC Recommendations to remove barriers to Graduate Student Success - (Discussion item)

10.9 Voting List Part-time Constituency - (Discussion item)

10.10 UPS 411.200 - GE Guidelines and Procedures: New and Existing Courses - (Discussion item)

10.11 Rescission of UPS 230.00 Statement of Professional Responsibility - (Discussion item)

1. Ad Hoc Committee to develop Statement of Ethics

10.12 New UPS XXX.XXX - Tenure-Track and Tenured Faculty Workload

XI. MEMBER ITEM

XII. ADJOURNMENT

- Meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm.