



Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting
11:00 am, 13 March 2024
Virginia Martin-Howard Boardroom, School of Music

Approved Minutes of the Meeting

Attendance:

Present: Inessa Bazayev (President), Daniel Tirone (Vice-President), Parampreet Singh (Secretary), Kevin Ringelman (Member-at-Large), Michelle Osborn (Member-at-Large), Tricia Cobb (Administrative Assistant)

Absent: Mandi Lopez (Past President), Kyla Kazuschyk (Member-at-Large)

A regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee convened at 11:02 am on March 13, 2024, at the Virginia Martin-Howard Boardroom, School of Music at the LSU campus, with the President being the Chair and the Secretary being present.

Singh moved to suspend the rules and add Council on Intercollegiate Athletics, LSU Online Faculty Evaluations, and Graduate Student Evaluations as new business in the agenda. Passed unanimously.

There were no public comments. The minutes of the last meeting were adopted following a motion by Osborn.

President's updates: (i) Bazayev discussed the issue of classroom disruptions with Provost Haggerty and Vice President of Student Affairs Brandon Common. LSU is working on adding classroom disruption in the Student Code of Conduct. (ii) Senators are working on a resolution on university's neutrality on statements regarding current affairs.

In the unfinished business the committee first discussed updates from the Nominating Committee. Following candidates have sent self-nominations: Daniel Tirone (President), Parampreet Singh (Vice-President), Kevin Ringelman (Secretary), Kyla Kazuschyk (Member-at-Large), James Madden (member-at-Large), Michelle Osborn (Member-at-Large). The Nominating Committee would welcome nominations from the floor in the March and April Faculty Senate meetings.

Tirone moved to lay on the table the March Faculty Senate meeting agenda till later in the meeting. Passed unanimously.

The committee then discussed Grammarly. Tirone moved to authorize Bazayev to work with administration to create a small committee of stakeholders from faculty, Students Affairs and the Office of Academic Affairs for discussions regarding acquisition of Grammarly licenses for students.

Passed unanimously.

In the new business committee members discussed issues which the faculty have brought up on Enrollment Management. Committee members expressed need for a better alignment of the mission of Enrollment Management with other academic units in LSU.

The next item on the agenda was the Policy Committee items. Tirone updated progress on the revision of PS-22, PS-36T and PS-36NT by the ad hoc Policy Committee.

Tirone moved to take from the table the March Faculty Senate meeting agenda. Passed unanimously. Ringelman moved to approve the agenda to consist of the President's Report, ASH Proposal: Graduate School "I" Grade Policy Change in the Unfinished Business, Nominating Committee and Policy Committee: Proposed Revisions to PS-22, PS-36T and PS-36NT as New Business, and presentations on Faculty Technology Survey and Research Highlights from ORED. Passed unanimously.

The committee then discussed LSU FS Senates conferences. Representatives of CoFA have expressed desire of a meeting of Faculty Senate leadership from different campuses of LSU.

The next item on the agenda was parking. Faculty are facing problems due to construction. Bazayev will reach out to the Parking Operations Manager Kaylee Aulds to resolve these issues.

The committee then discussed the Benefits Advisory Committee. There is a need for a Chair and an Emeritus Professor on this committee.

The next item of business was Data Analytics. Ringelman expressed the need for a person who can help with analysis data for the Faculty Senate.

On the agenda item Council on Intercollegiate Athletics, Tirone moved to provide comprehensive authorization of related expenses. Passed unanimously.

Singh then discussed LSU Online Faculty Evaluations. Faculty have expressed concern about faculty evaluations extending into the final exam period. President Bazayev will discuss this matter with the Office of Academic Affairs and Director of Testing and Evaluation Services David O'Brien.

In the last item of business, Ringelman discussed ongoing problems with Graduate Student Evaluations.

Ringelman moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:32 pm. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Parampreet Singh, Secretary