2016/2017 Academic Senate

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October 10, 2016

I. The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m. and roll call was taken by the Senate Administrator. Fifty Senators were present.

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We were going to do a test of the clickers today, but we have not used the clickers for over six months and the unbeknownst to us, the manufacturer issued a software update for the receiver that we need to download before we can test them.

Many of you have expressed concerns to members of the Executive Committee about the funding and hiring of a new Vice President. The Executive Committee had a discussion with the President regarding this last week. Chair Kimbarow is very comfortable assuring the Senate that the explanation for the decision to make this organizational change is sound, and that subsequent administrator searches will follow policy. The Executive Committee was also reassured that this will not negatively affect the Academic Affairs division. President Papazian will speak to this issue when she arrives.

B. From the President of the University:

The summit on September 30, 2016 focused on education and college readiness. This n ld ollaborative effort between Provost And- ʊ ɪ einstein nd VP Reggie Blaylock around the Student Succ ` Ŏ s Initiative presented SJSU as the leader in c ʻ ent ẇhere we can Æ e ʻ about our prospective student nd the issue ound colla ege ess in a w] x p m M includes our community p tners, ommunity college p tners, and also K-12 superintendent

The keynote speaker for this summit n tha K nder Sec ee ʼx U ʻ ʻ Education, also a former fac lty m mber and leader at DeAnza/Foothill C ommunity College. There wjcom h conversation bjc ʻ e ʼx ʻ que ions. Th summit focused some on M hematics and how critical 8 th ma Æ ʻ about 3rd va ʼn Ĺow blm ƙ a wjco ʼn ʻ legislations/bills.

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change. Every decision we make needs to put student welfare an

Officer reports, will work in collaboration with the Chief of Staff and VP for Organizational Development. The new Title IX Officer just started on Monday and her name is Natalie Potts. Natalie will report to the Chief Diversity Officer, Kathleen Wong. The Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion will also report to the President.

There was some concern from the faculty leaders on the Executive Committee about how this will work on the faculty side. It will probably take at least a semester to fully evaluate how the flow works and what makes sense, and it may end up that only a small part of faculty affairs is transferred under the purview of the Chief of Staff/VP for Organizational Development. We need to give the Chief of Staff, Director of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, and Title IX Officer time to evaluate how these offices will work together.

Questions:
Q: Is it your intention that the authorization and distribution of faculty lines will continue to operate through the Provost/VP of Academic Affairs?
A: Absolutely. President Papazian noted she is a former Provost. The only exception might be the actual authorization of funded lines in terms of the total amount, because that is ultimately a budgetary issue. Once we've allocated and said we can fund so many lines, the President's Office is out of it.

Q: Can you shed any light on the HGH (Hugh Gillis Hall) episode, whatever that may be?
A: No.
Q: My question stems from an article in the SF Chronicle about African-American students complaining about some hate leaflets found in HGH that specifically targeted African-American students.
A: President Papazian did not see the article but is aware of some flyers from the Asian Students Against Black Lives Matter that were written in a language other than English. Kathy Wong is working on this in conjunction with the University Police Department (UPD) to see if they can pinpoint where the flyers came from. It seems to be a non-affiliate from outside the campus that came through and put up a few flyers,