

Engineering 285/287
Academic Senate

SAN JOSE STATE UNIVERSITY

2 p.m. – 5 p.m.

2015/2016 Academic Senate

There is a bit of a crisis with staffing of the Board of Academic Freedom and Professional Responsibility (BAFPR). We now have vacancies on the committee in CASA, BUS, H&A, and COS. Members must be elected by their college and must be tenured full professors. The term is four years. Although the workload is minimal, this is an extremely important committee. Please contact Dean's Office if you are interested in serving on the BAFPR.

Academic Senate Elections are now underway. Nominating petitions are due in the Senate Office no later than February 22, 2016. Past Chair Heiden asked if the materials could be sent again as she did not receive them. [Note: All election materials were emailed a second time to all Chairs, Deans, and the General Unit members by Eva Joice, Senate Administrator, on February 10, 2016.]

Chair Kimbarow and the Senate thanked Senator Campsey for his years of service as the FAR.

Chair Kimbarow welcomed our newest Senator, Senator Sotoudeh Hamed-Haghighi from the College of Engineering.

B. From the President of the University—

Interim President Martin welcomed Senators back from the Winter Break.

Interim President Martin announced that while she appreciated everyone's support and encouragement in asking her to apply for the permanent presidency, she could not commit to five or more years and did not feel that would be fair to the campus.

In the first six months of this year, University Advancement has raised over \$32 million.

SJSU Football won the Citrus Bowl game.

The NFL did use our playing fields and they thought our fields were inferior so they put in brand new fields for free that cost them nearly \$300,000.

SJSU is hiring a new football defensive coordinator, Coach Ron English. Interim President Martin hired him at Eastern Michigan as Head Coach, but he was not successful. Interim President Martin noted, "At the end of his last season, when it was clear he would not be renewed, he lost his way in the locker room with a few students and had a bit of a tirade which included the use of a gay slur." He has had two years to reflect on that. I believe people deserve a second chance, and we have decided to hire him."

Questions:

Q: How much did our participation in the bowl game earn for us and how much did the NFL pay for the use of our facilities besides putting on their own turf which is probably torn up now since they practice there all week?

A: The NFL doesn't actually pay anyone the host committee does. The host committee gave us \$50,000. Interim President Martindale said, "I'll be the first to say we didn't follow university policy and we need to have one policy for all our facilities. As for the bowl game, I can bring that accounting. We were fortunate enough to go to the Citrus Bowl and the payout for that is slightly over \$1 million. As of the last accounting I saw, we had about \$60,000 left. It looks like we will end up breaking even."

Q: Relating to this new defensive coordinator, aside from two years to reflect on things, has he had any sort of training or other intervention?

A: Yes, but I will leave it to him to explain what he's done.

Q: You mentioned bonuses associated with the bowl game, can you elaborate on that?

A: In coaches' contracts, they normally have language that gives them a bonus if they make it to bowl games. It is according to their employment contracts, we don't just decide to give them out.

Q: Can that information be included in the presentation on expenditures you bring back to the Senate?

department, so are we going to be below 4% this year?

A: There is a 50/50 chance we could go over that. The value of the endowment in the Fall was \$117 million and as of mid January it was down to \$110 million.

C. CSU Statewide Senators –

Senator Lee reported on resolutions passed by the CSU Statewide Senate at the last meeting. AS 3239 advocates for the inclusion of lecturers in annual and semi-annual faculty orientation days. This is something we already do at SJSU. AS 3240 was applauding CSU efforts at increasing the tenure/tenure-track density in the CSU. However, the Senate hopes that the CFA and others be invited to serve on a taskforce to make this a reality because as retirements go, the current rate we are hiring tenure and tenure-track faculty is not creating much growth. AS 3242 (developed by the Executive Committee of the CSU Academic Senate) approved the statement on competencies in the natural sciences expected of entering Freshmen. These competency statements serve to advise high school students and their families about what kind of intellectual preparation is necessary for success in California higher education. AS 3247 urges the Chancellor's Office to restore Research, Scholarship & Creative Activity (RSCA) funds as a permanent line item in the CSU Operating Budget.

A couple of items that we may need to note of in the Senate include AS 3237 which encourages campus Senates, campus advancement, Philanthropy Offices, and the Chancellor's Office to find ways to acknowledge the role of taxpayers in funding the CSU. AS 3238 addresses recent changes in automatic course transferability created by AB 386, CSU fully online courses and the advent of upper division general education courses in California Community Colleges. It affirms that campus curricula and the satisfactory completion of degree requirements are the purview of local campus faculty. It also encourages campus Academic Senates to develop policies

Questions:

Q: Can you give more details about the community colleges and transfer courses?

A: I can say I am very disappointed with community colleges. The four year degrees they are offering were officially supposed to require consultation with the CSU. We know what happened there no conversation. The current degree plans for the four-year degrees in the community colleges states they will have a

colleges pay for items they need and the \$75,000 has nothing to do with Student Success fees.

Q: The Provost has asked for suggestions on unbundling the Student Success fees, and I am going to give my feedback. The Athletics Division receives 85% of the instruction related activity fees. Please unbundle this fee so that the students can clearly see exactly how much of their instruction related activity fee is going to Athletics.

A: Thank you.

The Provost has identified four pillars of Student Success strategy and they are: addressing bottleneck courses, addressing student engagement, and college readiness. The Provost will be meeting with the University Council of Chairs and Deans (UCCD) soon and will continue working on these strategies that he hopes to implement by the end of the semester.

Provost Feinstein is also working on the Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activity (RSCA) plan. AVP Stacks is working on this and will soon have a presentation. The Provost is also working on an international student growth plan.

There will be a Celebration of Research event on February 10, 2016 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom.

On February 17, 2016 from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. there is an IT event featuring CISCO personnel in Engr. 285/287.

E. Vice President for Administration and Finance (VPAF) –

Interim Vice President Josee Larochelle announced that the Governor's budget does provide an increase for the CSU \$140 million, but it is \$103 million short of the CSU support budget. There is a lot of work at the state capital to get additional funding. There are some one-time funds for deferred maintenance, but it is nowhere near the amount set aside to fix the rest of the state buildings up and down California. The Governor's budget has a 1% increase in enrollment. We would like to see that number be 3%. We are planning for the budget for next year and there will be more information as we get further along in the process.

There is a lot of construction going on across campus. The Student Union (SU) building is still in the works. It has been frustrating for everyone. We are still hopeful that we will be able to move into the SU in February. The issues are related to safety. However, the bookstore, bowling center, and AS Printshop are scheduled to move in later this year.

We are planning aggressively for the Science Building. Also, we will be installing air conditioning in DMH. DMH will be closed summer through fall 2016.

for?

A: We had 25% more students apply for graduation this spring than usual, so we have a significant number of students on campus with 90 units or more. We are looking at how we can get those students out the door. It is a balancing act.

Q: The "Ask Me" tent was very helpful and students loved it. What is the enrollment cap for graduate students.

A: This spring we had slightly over 500 new students most of which were graduate students.

Q: Of those that apply for graduation there a typical percentage that actually graduate?

A: I do not know the answer to that. We'll look into that and get back to the Senate.

V. Executive Committee Report –

A. Executive Committee Minutes –

Executive Committee Minutes of November 16, 2015 – No questions.

Executive Committee Minutes of December 7, 2015 –

Q: There is a comment that you reminded the Chancellor that a key element to student success was faculty. I was wondering if this was a trip you made down there or did he come to the campus?

A: This was part of my regular State Chairs' meeting in Long Beach, CA.

Q: I was also intrigued that SFSU is trying to improve their workload for faculty. Does this apply to all faculty, and if so how did they do this?

A: Good question. It only applied to new faculty hires that were offered additional release time for three years or more, the issue was that the deans were offering

Senate Calendar for 2016-2017 A motion was made and seconded to approve the Senate Calendar for 2016-2017. The Senate voted and the Senate Calendar was approved (46-0-0).

C. Executive Committee Action Items: None

VI. Special Order of Business –

Election of the Senate Chair for a second year – The Senate voted by secret ballot and Chair Kimbarow was re-elected for a second year.

VII. Unfinished Business -None

VIII. Policy Committee and University Library Board Action Items. In rotation.

A. Organization and Government Committee (O&G) –

Senator Shifflett presented ~~AS 1600~~ *AS 1600, Policy Recommendation, Expansion of Bylaw 15 – Updating Senate Documents (First Reading)*. [There were no questions.]

Senator Shifflett presented ~~AS 1593~~ *AS 1593, Sense of the Senate Resolution, Assessment of Core Competencies (Final Reading)*.

The Senate voted and AS 1593 was approved (44-0-2)

Senator Shifflett presented ~~AS 1588~~ *AS 1588, Policy Recommendation, Faculty Athletics Representative (Final Reading)*.

Senator Heiden presented an amendment ~~that~~ friendly to change line 199 to read, “The Senate Executive Committee and the Athletics Board will each forward its recommendation to the President who will arrange for the”.

Senator Shifflett presented an amendment ~~that~~ was friendly to strike the words “non-voting” from line 148.

Senator Van Selst presented an amendment ~~to~~ to “extraordinary circumstances” from line 185. The Senate voted and the Van Selst amendment passed (22-15-9).

Senator Campsey presented an amendment to line 204, section 3.2.1 to replace the words “Reappointment should not be automatic” with “After consultation with the Athletics Board and the ~~Senate~~ Executive Committee, the President makes the final decision on reappointment.” Senator Campsey withdrew his amendment.

The Senate voted and AS 1588 was approved as amended (38-6-2)

Senator Shifflett presented **CS 1594, Policy Recommendation, Update of Policy on Selection and Review of Administrators (First Reading)**.

Questions:

Q: Why is the dean listed as a non-voting member?

A: The committee felt that while a dean from another college might be needed to provide insights, information, and also be a resource for the candidate for frank discussions, he/she need not be part of the voting in selecting a new dean.

Q: Why not?

A: You have the college selecting its dean rather than having a dean from outside the college involved in selecting the dean. However, the committee will reconsider this.

Q: Given your rationale for having a dean from outside the college as a non-voting member, why have a faculty member from outside the college and a community member that isn't even part of the university as voting members?

A: The committee will revisit this.

Q: There is no room on the committee for a regular faculty member that isn't a chair or part of the library to be on the Dean of the University Library Search Committee, will the committee revisiting this?

A: The committee will consider it.

Q: The way the non-voting dean is specified allows for the sitting dean of a college to be appointed to the search committee to select their successor, will the committee consider fixing this?

A: Yes. The committee's intention was always that to be a dean from outside the college.

Q: What is the reason for a person from the community in the decanal search?

A: The deans are involved in the fundraising for the colleges in the community and so getting input from the community seems to make good sense.

Senator Shifflett presented **CS 1598, Policy Recommendation, WASC Accreditation Review Committee and Leadership Steering Committee (First Reading)**.

Questions:

Q: Do other universities have permanent committees to deal with university accreditation?

A: Informally, some discussions around accreditation have noted the potential need for campuses putting a permanent committee in place since the review cycle and mid-term reporting come up to almost time for the next review before everything is completed. If the campus is going to remain engaged, we need a more permanent group in place.

Q: In section 1.2.3 isn't that



fulfills the attendance requirements.

have the technology. While this might not be an issue for one committee, we have over 30 committees under the Senate. Also, members of the committees and the Senate are elected or appointed to represent their colleges and should want to attend these meetings. There are provisions that already allow for missing up to two meetings should an emergency arise.

A: The committee will consider this.

Q: I have recent experience calling into a meeting in a room with the technology for conference calling and I can tell you that I could not hear well at all. This is the best technology that is available on the campus right now and it doesn't work well, so will the committee consider these issues?

A: Yes.

Q: Would O&G please consider returning this a final reading just as soon as they can present a working model of how this could be successful?

A: The committee will consider all comments and suggestions.

Q: All of the questions have concerned web-conferencing, but no one has addressed web-based conferencing and can you explain what that would involve?

A: We have two resources on campus called Web Ex to call in and also Blackboard. These two resources are available so that a student or faculty member could join remotely without ever using the telephone.

B. University Library Board (ULB) – No Report.

C. Curriculum and Research Committee (C&R) –
Senator Mathur presented **AS 1597, Policy Recommendation, Minimum Criteria for Undergraduate Minors (First Reading)**.

Questions:

Q: It says that the 12 units must be completely distinct from coursework in one's major. Does that mean that someone that has a major in Biology can also get a minor in Biology if they have 12 separate units?

A:

Q: Did the committee consider overlapping minors and language that would make the units distinct from other minors?

A: We actually did not, but I'll take that back to the committee for consideration.

X. New Business –None

XI. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 4:56 p.m.