

**Executive Committee of the Academic Senate  
Minutes of the Meeting of October 30, 2023  
Clark 551, 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.**

Present: Curry, Day, Del Casino, Faas, French, Hart, Kataoka, Lee, Multani, Sasikumar (Chair), Teniente-Matson, Wong

Absent: Baur, McKee, Sullivan-Green

Recorder: Kataoka

order at 12:02 pm.

**I. Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda for October 30, 2023 Committee meeting was approved by acclamation.

**II. Approval of the Minutes**

The minutes of the October 23, 2023 Committee meeting were approved by acclamation.

**III. Update from the Chair**

The Chair reported the results of committee member selections made at the October 23 Committee meeting:

- a. The elected members of the Committee approved six faculty members to serve on the Committee on Senate Representation, one of whom will co-chair the committee.
- b. The Committee selected, by vote, Fred Cohen as the Faculty at Large member to serve on the Alquist RFP/Q Evaluation Committee.

The Committee agreed that all applicants would be notified of the results of their applications.

**IV. Update from the President**

President Teniente-Matson informed the Committee that she would be in Chicago and go to the Board of Trustees meeting directly from Chicago next week.

Rally last week)?

[A]: It was absolutely fabulous. Football games were great and our bands

The Committee decided to postpone this agenda item until more consultation and discussions are made.

**X. University Updates**

**a. Provost**

Provost Del Casino explained about the organizational work that involves moving of the Enrollment Management (EM) into the Academic Affairs (AA) and centralizing some functions of Professional and Global Educations (PGE)

[Q]: Will it be you or the university as a whole that will be moving the EM into AA?

[A]: It varies. Some are from program planning processes, starting conversations locally, moving up to a dean. In my time, none of the closures, mergers, nor changes have been directed from the cabinet level.

[Q]: If a program or a department proposes, can even tenured faculty be let go?

[A]: We are supposed to find a possibility of an official layoff that is governed under the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

[Q]: There are concerns about the potential of closing. What steps would be taken to ensure that faculty are meaningfully consulted according to the policy?

[A]: I will follow the rules. I would provide the rationale and implications and consult everyone. S13-9 requires meaningful consultation, but what counts as meaningful consultation may vary. All you can do is to document what happened as best you can and then present it, because it is all public information about the process that one goes through.

[Comment]: Closure can be traumatic, and people have real fear when they suspect something might be happening. More communication from the Provost would reassure the campus community and reduce fear and rumors.

**b. VP Administration & Finance** None.

**c. VP Student Affairs**

VP Day thanked Spartan Speaker Series for great experience with Wilson Cruz, then reported on ongoing effort in the context of what is happening in the Middle East and the world, including conversations with members from CAPS and ODEI as well as meetings with Jewish students, Palestinian students, and more.

**d. AS President** None.

**e. Interim Chief Diversity Officer**

situations will be directly addressed by various measures.

[Q]: Do you have an update on the hiring of the CDO?

[A]: The process did not go through with the first group of finalists, so we will go back to the pool and continue the process.

**f. Statewide Senator** None.

## **XI. Policy Committees**

- a. **Curriculum and Research** None.
- b. **Organization and Government** None.
- c. **Instruction and Student Affairs** None.
- d. **Professional Standards** None.

**XII.** The meeting adjourned at 1:29 pm.

The minutes were taken by Associate Vice Chair Reiko Kataoka on November 2, 2023; reviewed and accepted by Senate Chair Karthika Sasikumar on November 8, 2023; and approved by the Senate Executive Committee on November 27, 2023.