

Minutes of the Executive Committee March 16, 2009

Present: Meldal, McClory, Von Till, Van Selst, Maldonado-Colon (12:20 p.m.),
Backer, Sivertsen (12:10 p.m.), Kaufman, Sigler, Phillips, Najjar, Whitmore

Absent: Cavu-Litman, Lessow-Hurley, Lee

Guest: Bronstein

1. The Executive Committee approved the consent calendar (10-0-0).
2. The Executive Committee discussed the need for a policy governing free speech and student rights and responsibilities during on-campus events. President Whitmore will prepare a Presidential Directive this Spring that will be effective until such a time as the Senate passes a policy. A referral will be made to the Student Success Committee.
3. Dean Michael Parrish gave a short presentation on the Sustainability Task Force. The taskforce was divided into 5 subgroups. Each subgroup is preparing a report that will be combined in a final report to be presented to the Senate in May. The taskforce has created a website, <http://www.sjsu.edu/sustainability>.
4. Status Updates:
 - a. CSU Statewide Senator: Trustee Jeff Bleich is going to Washington D.C. to be a special legal consultant to the President for 4 months.
 - b. Committee on Committees: There are two contested elections underway for Senate seats in the College of Engineering, and for the CSU Statewide Senator seat. Ballots are due in the Senate Office on April 10, 2009.

There are 3 colleges with empty Senate seats. The College of Humanities and

- e. Professional Standards Committee: Senator Maldonado-Colon will be presenting AS 1404, Policy Recommendation, Department Recordkeeping (Final Reading) at today's Senate meeting. This policy had a first reading at the November 2008