

**Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting
April 9, 2012**

Present: Quayoumi, Junn, Bros-Seemann, Ng, Kimbarow, Heiden, Sabalius, Nance, Bibb

Absent: Von Till, McClory, Kaufman, Bussani, Kolodziejak, Gleixner

Guest: Worsnup

1. The Executive Committee Minutes of March 19, 2012 were approved with 2 abstentions.
2. The consent calendar was approved. Karin Winnard was approved as a Senator to replace Paul Kauppila, General Unit, while he is on sabbatical Fall 2012.
3. The Senate calendar for 2012-2013 was approved.
4. After discussion, the date for the Fall Senate retreat was set for September 28, 2012.
5. The Executive Committee was given an update on the budget. SJSU's portion of the \$100 million trigger is \$6.5 million. The total SJSU structural deficit is now \$33 million, of which \$12 million is from 2010-2011 that was never distributed as a base cut. During 2010-2011 that \$12 million was covered from campus reserves.
6. The committee discussed the Affordable Learning Solutions meetings today. Given that annual textbook costs average \$1,100.00, new solutions are needed to increase affordability for students. One option identified was to encourage the use of textbooks available as e-books, as these are available at no cost through our library. Students can ask the library to review their textbook list to identify available e-books, and the Spartan Bookstore/Barnes and Noble will place signs on bookstore shelves identifying e-book texts available through the library. A member noted that at some campuses the Senate Chair emails the faculty to remind them to submit their textbook orders early, so that students can get a reduced rate. However, SJSU's Senate Chair does not have access to the faculty email list and the SJSU bookstore contacts faculty.
7. The Chancellor's Office sent out an announcement that all Student University Grants (SUGs) for graduate students will be discontinued, noting that California is the only state that awards SUGs for graduate students. Approximately 750 full-time and 250 part-time graduate students currently receive SUGs at SJSU. Discussions with campus presidents and provosts regarding implementation of this policy will be discussed within the next few weeks.
8. There is a CSU system-wide expectation that student registration will be capped at 15 units, including graduate and credential students. There will be some exceptions,

such as graduating seniors, 2nd year graduate students, and programs or curricula with 4-unit course sequences.

9. The AVP for Faculty Affairs search committee was charged today and will begin the search immediately.
10. There is a movement within the CSU to use fixed term MPP appointments prior to moving forward on national searches. This will be discussed more at a future meeting.
11. Policy Committee reports:
 - Curriculum and Research Committee (C&R):
The C&R Committee is working on a certificate policy
12. Several agenda items were deferred to the next Senate Executive meeting, including the Sense of the Senate resolution regarding the smoking policy.
13. The meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

Minutes prepared by the Senate Administrator, Eva Joice, on April 17, 2012, and approved by the Executive Committee on _____, 2012.