

experts need to give feedback to C&R. A suggestion was also made to have consultation from the experts in the field.

The committee discussed the fact that there are strong disciplinary attitudes about critical thinking. There may not be unanimous consensus on what constitutes critical thinking.

A member suggested having a GEAP-like committee, or having an Advisory Panel on Critical Thinking.

A suggestion was discussed that involved a proposal that C&R appoint panels to advise them on requests for alternative pathways in the programs in response to the 120 maximum unit pressures (for meeting GE requirements), and other campus requirement issues.

The Executive Committee agreed to bring a motion to the Senate floor regarding the creation of advisory panels regarding modifications, or alternative pathways for majors who need adjustments to GE because of the 120-unit major requirements.

4. Updates from policy committees:

- a. Curriculum and Research Committee (C&R): The major issue is how to maintain academic integrity in the face of change. C&R will bring a policy resolution on University Learning Goals (ULGs) to the February 11, 2013 Senate meeting.

Possible revision of proposed GE guidelines; GE issues will impact community colleges. The best place for change or revision is in upper division GE (SJSU Studies). One possible direction is for departments to propose different pathways to meet GE requirements.

5. Update from University Advancement: The University has reached 94% of goal in the Acceleration Campaign as of Dec. 31. 2012. In Campaign 2, University Advancement is looking for endowments and less planned giving.
6. Proposed Veterans Center in the Student Union: A petition has been circulating requesting the establishment of a Veteran's Center in the new Student Union Building. There is a Veterans Student organization and a Veterans Administration (VA) funded Veterans facility in Clark Hall. Should a consolidated Vet Center be in the Student Union or somewhere else? In a lot of campuses, Vet Centers tend to not be in Student Union buildings. They tend to be located in less-high visibility spots, and the Student Union may not be the most appropriate and friendly facility for veterans. The idea behind having a vet center is to have a presence in the Student Union building. There is a Veterans Advisory Committee, but the committee is split about where is the ideal place to have the Vet Center is.

A member asked if there had been a survey for our current student vets on campus?