



Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting  
10am, 23 October 2023  
Virginia Martin-Howard Boardroom, School of Music

**Approved Minutes of the Meeting**

**Attendance:**

**Present:** : Inessa Bazayev (President), Daniel Tirone (Vice-President), Parampreet Singh (Secretary), Kyla Kazuschyk (Member-at-Large), Michelle Osborn (Member-at-Large), Tricia Cobb (Administrative Assistant)

**Absent:** Mandi Lopez (Past President), Kevin Ringelman (Member-at-Large)

A regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee convened at 10:00 am on Oct 23, 2023, at the Virginia Martin-Howard Boardroom in the LSU campus, the President being the Chair and Secretary being present. James Madden gave public comment on the agenda item Moodle Survey. The minutes of the last meeting were adopted unanimously following a motion by Tirone.

In the Chair's updates, President Bazayev mentioned that she attended the SEC leadership meeting at the Texas A&M University. There were over 30 participants from different universities. At the CoFA meeting on 10/20/23, Vice-President Tirone read the report from LSU A&M campus and discussed various faculty achievements.

Tirone moved to suspend the rules and take up the Moodle Survey as first item of business. Passed unanimously. After a discussion on the use of educational technologies by faculty in LSU, Tirone moved that Singh reach out to ITS about developing a faculty centered survey to gauge satisfaction with instructional business process technologies and have ITGC administer that survey in collaboration with the Faculty Senate to see how faculty feel about the available options and to find areas for possible improvement. Passed unanimously.

Tirone moved to suspend the rules and take up November 2 Faculty Senate Meeting and Agenda as the next item of business. Passed unanimously. The committee discussed the agenda to consist of the President Report, election to the Faculty Appeals Board, presentations from the Chairs (or their representatives) of the Faculty Adjudication Committee and the Faculty Appeals Board. Tirone moved to approve the agenda. Passed unanimously.

Tirone moved to suspend the rules and take the Campus Climate as the next item of business. Passed unanimously. The committee then discussed concerns expressed by some faculty members on threats to academic freedom and tenure protection across the country.

Osborn moved to postpone the discussion on Faculty Handbook Revisions to the next meeting. Passed unanimously.

Kazuschyk moved to postpone the discussion on the Disability Faculty & Staff Caucus to the next meeting. Passed unanimously.

The next item of business was College Policy Committees. Some faculty members have reached out to seek guidance on the policies which govern these committees. Bazayev would reach out to the Office of Academic Affairs to ascertain the documents which affect these college policy committees and shared governance.

The committee then discussed Faculty Council Meeting and Committee. Singh moved to request Bazayev to reach out to the Office of Academic Affairs and the President Tate's office to begin discussions of the scheduling of the Faculty Council Meeting for Spring 2024 and that FSEC start discussing names for appointment to an ad-hoc Faculty Council Planning Committee. Passed unanimously.

The next item of business was Budget Planning. The committee discussed the state of faculty salaries at LSU which have not been raised frequently enough to even catch up with inflation and continue to lag behind peer institutions. Singh moved to invite Chair of the Budget and Planning Advisory Committee Judith Sylvester to an upcoming FSEC meeting to discuss the way budget and planning can help alleviate the issues related to faculty salaries. Passed unanimously.

Kazuschyk moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:06 am. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Parampreet Singh, Secretary