



Faculty Executive Committee Meeting
June 9, 2022
3:30pm, 135F Thomas Boyd Hall

- Call to Order
 - Professor Lopez called the meeting to order at 3:30pm.
- Roll Call
 - Profs. Lopez, King, Bazayev, Roland, Tirone, Choi, Singh
- Public Comments*
 - No public comments
- President's Updates
 - Perks of Senate Leadership Service
 - Professor Lopez assured all members that there are no perks of senate leadership other than the pride in service.
 - FSEC meetings are public
 - Professor Lopez reminded the committee that FSEC meetings are public and must follow Louisiana OML. The meetings also follow Roberts Rules to ensure accuracy of minutes.
 - Meeting with Kappie Mumphrey, named LSU Online VP
 - Professor Lopez and VP Mumphrey discussed consistent technology across colleges and departments as well as a consistent faculty model for online teaching. This issue has been brought up by the FSEC many times.
 - Professor Lopez requested that a streamlined process to transfer Moodle access to faculty be developed. The current process is inconsistent and inefficient.
 - CFO Kimberly Lewis—invited to an upcoming FSEC meeting
 - CFO Lewis agreed to attend and upcoming FSEC. The meeting to be arranged through the staff.
 - Dean Common—invited to attend an upcoming FSEC meeting
 - Dean Common has accepted an invitation to attend an upcoming FSEC meeting to discuss SAA procedures. There seems to be a disparity in outcomes if a student is scheduled to graduate or not. This issue has been raised by multiple faculty members.
 - BOS and Council of Faculty Advisors meeting next Friday
 - Professor Lopez asked the committee for agenda items to be discussed and/or to be included in the report by the Council of Faculty Advisors.
 - Plans to change BOS bylaws/regulations changes as well as SCR 6 are on the agenda.
 - Q&A:
 - Is there any information on the proposed changes to the BOS bylaws and regulations?
 - Professor Lopez answered, Not at this time.
 - Is there a way to request those changes and review them before the BOS meeting?
 - Professor Lopez answered that it was difficult to understand their plan. Chairperson Starns indicated that committee would be formed, and activities would take place during their committee meeting. It has been

difficult to get clarification and Professor Lopez intended to ask on Friday during the Council meeting.

- Does Jason Droddy know?
 - Professor Lopez answered that she has not been able to get clarity on this but will pursue the issue on Friday.
- What is the process to get access to Moodle when the instructor of record leaves LSU or is otherwise unavailable?
 - A request with justification is submitted to the Faculty Senate President and the VP of LSU Online by the local college administration.
- FSEC Minutes Approval
 - Motion to discuss, Profs. King and Tirone
 - Roland and Lopez submitted minor changes. They were added to the distributed minutes.
 - Professor King: Page 2, add “Forum” to King’s question
 - Motion to accept as printed with addition by Professor King: Profs. Roland and Bazayev
 - All in favor, minutes accepted
- FSEC Committee Approval
 - Admissions, Standards, and Honors Committee
 - Sanaz Aghazadeh, Business
 - Motion to appoint ASH: Profs. Bazayev and King, all in favor, motion passes
 - Benefits Committee
 - Lawrence Rouse, Coast and Environment
 - Roger Laine, Science
 - Motion to discuss Benefits: King and Tirone
 - Question: How long have they been on the committee?
 - This will be their 2nd term if appointed. Further discussion regarding membership and term length. The committee discussed membership and term length as defined in the FS Constitution and Bylaws.
 - Motion to postpone to the next meeting: Profs. Roland and Tirone, all in favor, motion passes
 - Integrative Learning Core Committee
 - Chun Yang, Mass Communication
 - Motion to ILC to appoint: Profs. Tirone and King, all in favor, motion passes
- New Business
 - Senate Booklet, Professor Bazayev
 - Professor Bazayev discussed the Senate Booklet. It will serve to orient new faculty senators. Work will begin this summer for distribution in the Fall. Professor Bazayev requested suggestions from the committee as well as assistance in distrusting tasks.
 - Assignments: Professor McMillin, #2; Professor Bazayev, welcome page; Professor Tirone, Robert’s Rules; Knoll #7
 - Professor King mentioned a Robert’s Rules cheat sheet prepared by Knoll last Fall. Professor Tirone requested the information, Knoll will send.
 - Professor Bazayev emphasized that the booklet would serve as a Faculty Senate welcome for Fall 2022, eventually becoming a living online document. There will also be Faculty Senate pens distributed.
 - Knoll will obtain a quote for the cost and send the information to Professor Lopez.
 - Planning on 80 copies
 - It was recommended to create a sub-committee to move forward as this was not a matter to be tackled by this body [FSEC].
 - Question: Why is this not the appropriate body?
 - A motion to decide to form subcommittee to compose a pamphlet was put forward.

- Counter motion to authorize Professor Bazayev to draft the booklet and present it and the cost to FSEC for final approval, Profs. Roland and Tirone
 - Discussion
 - Professor Singh: Professor Bazayev would be tasked to make this by herself?
 - Professor Lopez: Request to add to the motion “to recruit individuals for the booklet”
 - Addition to the booklet: Guidelines on resolutions additions, addition accepted by Professor Bazayev
 - Addition: A paragraph/disclaimer on public guests, OML, and following LSU policies when on campus for the meeting. Addition accepted by Professor Bazayev
 - Request to add point to add to Faculty Senate agendas
 - All in favor, motion passes
- Faculty Handbook, Professor King
 - Professor King discussed the faculty handbook and the need to update it. There are sections that administration reference. This is an ongoing project, beginning before Covid. Professor Lopez indicated that one of the issues for updating was receiving needed information from administration. Professor King requested that an incoming committee member take over.
 - Professor Tirone volunteered as coordinator.
 - Motion to assign Professor Tirone to take over leadership of revisions, Profs. Singh and Choi, all in favor, motion passes
 - All in favor
 - Professor Lopez indicated that work on documents can be done online as long as no decisions are made. Decisions and discussions require the committee to follow OML.
 - Faculty Handbook in faculty cases, another reason for importance
- Senate Concurrent Resolution 6, Professor Tirone
 - Professor Tirone led the discussion on the agenda item. This has passed legislature and the LSU system is to appoint a faculty member on the task force. What will this look like?
 - Professor Lopez stated that the Council of Faculty Advisors will be requesting clarification on Friday. Professor Tirone said as it is understood, this will be made by the “faculty senate Presidents of each management board of the faculty senates. The question will be raised: Who is the management board? It is not required to be a President to be on the Council of faculty advisors (COFA).” COFA is designated as the collective decision makers. It is not clear in the resolution with some confusion in the language used. Professor Lopez agreed that there is some confusion in the language. Professor Lopez assured the committee that she will let them know. It is on the agenda with Chairperson Starns and the Council of Faculty Advisors on Friday. Lopez also agreed with Tirone’s clarifying statement that the appointment process would be discussed at the Council of Faculty Advisors meeting, and she would then inform the FSEC about those discussions at its next meeting. Profs. Tirone and Lopez agreed that the Council of Faculty Advisors was not the appropriate venue for making the appointment to the Legislative Task Force because it is not exclusively composed of Faculty Senate Presidents. Lopez also agreed with Tirone’s clarifying statement that the appointment process would be discussed at the Council of Faculty Advisors meeting, and she would then inform the FSEC about those discussions at its next meeting.
- LSU ECELP, Professor Tirone
 - Professor Tirone indicated that there have been issues with management and changes of the calendar that presents issues with faculty. There were several

factors after a query: retention issue by giving teachers time off and they do not view themselves as service institution to LSU. There are issues with the service institution answer. This was presented in writing as response to parents. The facility indicated that they were not tied to the LSU calendar. There are Faculty Senate resolutions on the institution, they have representation on the Parent and Pregnancy Committee. The calendar conflicts have some parents seeking alternative options, something that overall harms the program.

- Professor Tirone requests permission to reach out to principals of HSE, the director of the facility, and the parent advisory committee. Professor Tirone will report back to the FSEC with his findings.
- Professor Lopez requested to have an open discussion for transparency. She requested Professor Tirone send the following information: individuals to invite and points of discussion to be submitted prior to the meeting. Professor Tirone stated that an initial private meeting might be more productive than an open meeting where sensitive issues would be discussed. Professor Lopez stated that as a public body, this committee should avoid private meetings and be transparent.
 - The following individuals were mentioned: Director Cindy DiCarlo, HSE Dean Mitchell, the Director of Education
 - The following points of discussion were mentioned: staff turnover, retention, and frequency of day care closures
 - The following question will be addressed: What is the procedure regarding changes to the calendar? (Major stakeholders were not consulted.)
 - Professor Tirone will reach out to the parent advisory committee for this perspective of non-faculty members.
- Question: How many days is LSU open when the facility is closed?
 - The facility is closed over 40 days of the school year.
- Professor Lopez emphasized that any questions be constructive, where the FEC can find ways to help to appropriately and effectively move forward in a positive way.
- Motion to invite a series of administrators to address a set of questions that will be composed by Professor Tirone in conjunction with the Parent Advisory Committee Chair: Profs. Roland and Singh, all in favor, motion passes
- President-Elect Meeting with BOS Chairs Update, Agenda item submitted by Professor King
 - Professor King asked Professor Bazayev to update the committee on her meeting with Chairperson Starns and Chair-Elect Jones.
 - Professor Bazayev stated that it was a meet and greet. She introduced herself and there was no business discussed.
 - Question: When will you state your plans for the upcoming year?
 - Professor Bazayev stated that she was currently focusing on booklet. She will state her plans at the beginning of the year, the first meeting of the Faculty Senate in August.
- Faculty Senate Summer Spending, Professor King
 - Professor King discussed the FS budgets, LSU policies and asked if the Faculty Senate Budget follows LSU calendar. Knoll stated that it does.
 - Professor Lopez stated that she was in discussion with administration on transparency of the budget. A monthly statement will be posted and submitted. It is currently in progress. Professor Lopez indicated that faculty need to be aware of what is being spent. She has made it a priority to get this information in a workable format.
 - Question: Have we asked for fixed budget?
 - Knoll explained the different FS budgets: the unrestricted operating budget from OAA and the restricted Athletics fund. The Athletics fund will be replaced for the upcoming year by the Office of the President. It is not a guaranteed fund each year.

- Professor Bazayev requested that the committee investigate a fixed budget.
- Question: Is it possible for pre-authorization regarding spending?
 - Not usually done, only in rare instances

Motion to adjourn: Profs. Tirone and King, all in favor, motion passes

*It is intended that public comments may be made (1) when they relate to a matter on the agenda and (2) when individuals desiring to make public comments have registered at least one hour prior to the meeting by emailing facultysenate@lsu.edu or by calling 225-578-5248. When registering, individuals should identify themselves; the group they are representing, if appropriate; and the topic on which they would like to comment. To ensure that the meeting is conducted in an efficient manner, each individual will be limited to 3 minutes for their public comments and the President reserves the right to limit the total number of public comments if necessary.

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