



Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting
10:00 am, 13 May 2024
Virginia Martin-Howard Boardroom, School of Music

Approved Minutes of the Meeting

Attendance:

Present: Inessa Bazayev (President), Daniel Tirone (Vice-President), Parampreet Singh (Secretary), Ken Lopata (Member-at-Large), Kevin Ringelman (Member-at-Large), Michelle Osborn (Member-at-Large), Tricia Cobb (Administrative Assistant)

Absent: Mandi Lopez (Past President), Kyla Kazuschyk (Member-at-Large)

A regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee convened at 10:01 am on May 13, 2024, at the Virginia Martin-Howard Boardroom, School of Music at the LSU campus, with the President being the Chair and the Secretary being present. There were no public comments. Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted following a motion by Ringelman.

President's updates: (i) Bazayev updated on bills concerning higher education in the State legislature; (ii) Bazayev and Tirone discussed issues with the Disability Services and Moodle with Provost Haggerty; (iii) Tirone updated on the ALFS meeting, and (iv) Bazayev updated on the meeting with President Tate.

The first item of the unfinished business was ASH proposals. Bazayev updated on discussions with the Chair of ASH committee Cathy Williams. Committee members discussed whether definitions and roles of professional and research affiliates were consistent with policy documents on the Graduate Council website.

The first item of the new business was Graduate Fees. Ringelman noted that Vice President Tommy Smith has confirmed that this fee will be waived for all fully funded full-time GAs, and at this juncture the PIs should not incur additional costs.

The next item on the agenda was an update from the Student AI Use Committee. Osborn updated on various discussions in the committee. Committee members discussed the pros and cons of allowing access to Grammarly with generative AI. Tirone moved to invite Vice President of Student Affairs Brandon Common to the FSEC meeting in near future. Passed unanimously.

The committee then discussed FLSA Changes. Tirone updated on various upcoming changes.

Tirone moved to postpone the next item on the agenda concerning FVT & GE Changes to the next meeting. Passed unanimously.

The next item of business was the Broadcast Email. Tirone moved to send a broadcast email to faculty on the status of bills concerning higher education in the legislative session and changes to FLSA. Passed unanimously. Singh moved to authorize Faculty Senate President to send a broadcast email without prior authorization of the FSEC through the end of legislative session. Passed unanimously.

Tirone moved to suspend the agenda and take Office Upgrades as the next item of business. Passed unanimously. The committee then discussed the status of the existing office for the Faculty Senate President in the Pleasant Hall. Tirone moved to upgrade the office to allow meetings with small groups. Passed unanimously.

Tirone moved to suspend the agenda and take Committee on Student Success as the next item of business. The committee then discussed the composition of the Committee on Student Success and Tirone moved to allow Bazayev to remain on the committee for the next year. Passed unanimously.

Lopata motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:28 am. Passed unanimously.

Parampreet Singh, Secretary