



Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting
14 February 2025
1:30 pm, 251 Music and Dramatic Arts Building

Minutes of the Meeting

Attendance

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

Absent: Kyla Kazuschyk (Member-at-Large)

A regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee convened at 1:30 pm on February 14, 2025, in room 251 of the Music and Dramatic Arts Building at the LSU campus, with the President being the Chair and the Secretary being present.

Singh made a motion to suspend the rules to add an item, Policy Committee, to the agenda. The motion was unanimously approved. **Policy Committee** was added to the agenda.

There were no public comments on the new agenda. Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted.

Singh made a motion to suspend rules to take up **Faculty Ed Tech Survey Webpage** as the next order of business. The motion was unanimously approved.

1. The first item of new business was **Faculty Ed Tech Survey Webpage**. The original results of and deliverables from the Faculty Ed Tech Survey will be posted on the FS website.

Singh made a motion to suspend the rules again and take up **President's Updates**. The motion was unanimously approved.

President's Updates

1. Tirone, Bazayev, Singh, and Osborn met with President Tate to discuss current challenges in higher education.
2. Tirone attended a meeting of the Provost's Opportunities and Threats Task Force to discuss planning for and messaging to faculty about potential budgetary changes.
3. Tirone provided a brief update about the Budget and Planning Committee's salary study.
4. Tirone has contacted David Rabban, University of Texas School of Law, who has agreed to speak at the planned Academic Freedom Panel. Tirone and Cobb will move forward with planning his visit.
5. Tirone was made aware of pending changes to PM-79 changes that reflect recent changes to state law.

Singh made a motion to suspend the rules and take **Policy Committee** as the next item of business. The motion was unanimously approved.

1. The next item of new business was **Policy Committee**. Singh made a motion for FSEC to allow Singh, Bazayev, and Osborn to be added as extra members to the Policy Committee to expedite policy changes. After some discussion, Singh amended the motion to nominate Bazayev and Osborn to serve on the Policy Committee of the Senate. The motion was approved.

Unfinished Business

1. The next item of unfinished business was **Attendance Study**. The study has been submitted to the IRB.
2. The next item of unfinished business was **Faculty Council Meeting Committee Appointments**. Singh made a motion for Bazayev to contact Michelle Zerba (English) about serving on the committee. The motion was unanimously approved.
3. The next item of unfinished business was **Nominating Committee**. Singh made a motion for Tirone to contact Gerald Baumgartner about serving on the committee. The motion was unanimously approved.
4. The next item of unfinished business was **Ad hoc Committee on GAI and Academic Policies**. Singh made a motion to add the discussed individuals to serve on the committee. The motion was unanimously approved. Mattza made a motion for Lopata to reach out to a post doc about serving on the committee. The motion was unanimously approved.
5. The next item of unfinished business was **Grammarly**. Tirone and Singh met with Student Government to discuss Student Government resolutions involving technology.

New Business

2. The first item of new business was **ASH Proposals**. Singh made a motion to postpone to the next meeting. The motion was approved.
3. The next item of new business was **February 20 Faculty Senate Meeting Agenda**. Osborn made a motion to approve the agenda as discussed. The motion was unanimously approved.

Lopata moved to adjourn the meeting at 3:09 pm. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Osborn, Secretary