

SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES – Approved 11/9/2017
October 5, 2017
University Hall, Room 277

Members Present: Chong, Heinen, Henige, Li, Lisagor, Neubauer, Schmidt-Levy, Spector, Stahl, Stein, Swenson, Wilson, Wolfbauer (Recording Secretary)

Members Absent: None

Guests: T. Abourezk, C. Mayberry

Faculty President Swenson called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

1. Approval of SEC Minutes

MSP to approve the [SEC minutes for September 7, 2017](#) as distributed.

2. Announcements

- a. Swenson announced that Nicole Wilson started as the Faculty Senate Office Manager on October 2. SEC members introduced themselves.
- b. Swenson suggested that SEC members read his blog in lieu of a written Faculty President's report this month.

3. Policy Item – Educational Policies Committee
Christina Mayberry, Chair of EPC

Action Item – [Withdrawal Unauthorized](#)

Mayberry reported that the few revisions recommended by SEC at the last meeting were made. At the Senate meeting, there were a few questions from Senators but there were no other revisions suggested.

MSP to forward this policy to the Senate with a do-pass recommendation.

4. [EO 1110](#) and [EO 1100](#) Discussion

Swenson said that the motion* introduced from the floor and passed at the last Senate meeting has received attention from the Chancellor's Office. Some SEC members expressed that they felt closed-off and confused because discussion of the motion was abruptly halted by a successful motion to call the question. SEC members had a lengthy discussion about the repercussions of the motion and the need to acquire more data to determine the effects of implementation. They recounted how these Executive Orders will harm many of our programs, departments, and our students. A few ways for complying with parts of the EO 1100 were suggested.

SEC members asked for further clarification about the procedural motion to reconsider which was made by a Senator immediately after the non-implementation motion passed. Swenson explained that one effect of this motion is to freeze implementation of the decision to refuse to participate in implementation until the Senate decides whether to reopen the issue at the next Senate meeting on October 26th. Some members felt this motion was unfair and lacked consultation with SEC. Others thought it allowed for more time to get feedback from constituents. Swenson said that he recognizes that this procedural motion is unfamiliar and that it may be perceived as undemocratic, but pointed out that it is the most transparent means of allowing the Senate to have an opportunity to change its mind if circumstances change.

Swenson recommended that SEC bring to the Senate a separate resolution which, at the least, articulates the Faculty's reasons for refusing to participate in implementation. Stein and Heinen volunteered to draft this resolution. Swenson said that he already contacted the Standing Committee chairs and asked them to provide data and input on potential impacts on students. The draft resolution will be circulated to SEC by email.

Mayberry, chair of EPC, stated that if the non-implementation motion is rescinded, the task force will be ready to start work towards implementation. However, EPC believes there is not enough time to meet the Chancellor's Office timeline and that it is essential that campuses be granted more time. Provost Li shared his thoughts about how non-implementation may affect our campus and students, but emphasized that he doesn't know anything for certain.

***MSP:** The Faculty Senate of CSU Northridge and its Standing Committees will not participate in the implementation of Executive Order 1100 (revised) and Executive Order 1110.

5. **Provost's Report** – Provost Yi Li

Provost Li shared his experiences from the Annual Summit 2017 - University Economic Development Association in Long Beach. William Allen, President and CEO of the LA Economic Development Corporation, spoke about the strategic plan for LA County. Two of our faculty members, Annette Besnilian and Helen Butleroff Leahy, were finalists in the Awards of Excellence challenge. They shared their program which works to increase nutrition and physical activity knowledge and behavior in elementary school to combat childhood obesity.

In response to a question, Provost Li shared his thoughts about EO 1110 and the summer Early Start. We have an additional year to implement this piece of the EO. The set-up will be similar to the year-round program but the details for placing students is a concern to him. He hopes the Chancellor's Office will come up with a sensible plan.

6. **Review of Standing Committee Minutes**

Academic Technology (5/5 – no policy)

Educational Policies (5/3, 9/6 – no policies)

Educational Resources (5/9 – no policy)

Graduate Studies (5/9 – no policy)

Personnel Planning and Review (5/10, 9/6 – policy items already came before Senate)

7. **New Business**

Faculty Elections - Wolfbauer was asked to give a brief report on the status of faculty elections. Both Canvas and CourseEval have issues and drawbacks. The subcommittee (Heinen, Henige, and Stahl) will contact Vice President Hilary Baker to get advice and support from IT. Stephanie Nguyen, the Web Project Coordinator for Academic Affairs, has volunteered to assist the Senate Office with selecting a platform that will work best.

8. **Set Agenda for October 26, 2017 Senate Meeting**

- Withdrawal Unauthorized Policy (EPC)
- Visit from Christine Miller (ASCSU Chair)
- Time for public comment on the Executive Orders
- Reconsideration of the motion not to participate in implementing EO 1100 and EO 1110
- Resolution in Opposition to EO 1100 and EO 1110
- Senate Reports

Meeting adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Submitted by: Kim Henige, Secretary of the Faculty and Heidi Wolfbauer, Recording Secretary