THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

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February 10, 2020

Members present: Thomas Holyoke (Chair), Raymond Hall (Vice Chair), Melanie Ram (Universitywide), Rebecca Raya-Fernandez (At-Large), Tinneke Van Camp (At-Large), Jennifer Miele (At-Large), Omar H. Hernandez (ASI), Susan Schlievert (Statewide)

Members excused: Joseph Castro (Ex-officio), Saul Jiménez-Sandoval (Ex-Officio)

Guests: Venita Baker (Academic Senate), Paula Castadio (Vice President for University Advancement), Stephan Sommer (Director, Viticulture and Enology Research Center), Alcidia Gomez (Ag One/College Development), Marsha Baum (Vice President for Faculty Affairs)

The meeting was called to order by Chair Holyoke at 3:00 pm in HML 2108.

1. Approval of the agenda

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1. Approval of the amended Minutes 1/27/20

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1. Communications and announcements

None

**Action Items**

1. Email dated January 30, 2020, from Paula Castadio, VP, University Advancement, to Dr. Thomas Holyoke, Chair Academic Senate re: Building Naming Request. Email has been received.

Suggestion:

Dr. Castadio received a request from JCAST to rename the enology building. Dr. Sommer and Ms. Gomez spoke of a generous gift ($3.7M) and a significant history of involvement of Mr. Gumz on the campus, and how this renovation will greatly benefit our students studying wine making via new facilities.

The committee agreed that the proposal was acceptable.

1. Email dated February 3, 2020, from Mohan B. Dangi, Professor of Geography and City & Regional Planning, to Dr. Thomas Holyoke, Chair Academic Senate re: Climate Action Plan Discussion. Email has been received.

Suggestion: Possible answer to this call is to create a task force. The Chair will create a proposal for the next meeting.

1. Memo dated February 3, 2020, from Dr. Thomas Holyoke, Chair Academic Senate to Members of the Senate Executive Committee re: Requesting Review of APM 355 (Policy on Assigned Time for Exceptional Levels of Service). Memo has been received.

Suggestion: The goal is to assess the need to address complaints about how this special assigned time is awarded. Provost is concerned that policy “could use some tightening up”.

Dr. Ram shared her concerns that AMP 355 was not being followed, especially with respect to the fact that this release was not supposed to be awarded as research release.

Dr. Baum informed the committee that unless negotiated in the new contract, the administration’s position is that our obligations are fulfilled and that no more such release will be allocated. All allocations have been met by all colleges.

The committee will consider the policy again if the need arises.

1. Memo dated February 3, 2020, from Dr. Thomas Holyoke, Chair Academic Senate to Members of the Senate Executive Committee re: Request for Change to APM 335 (Policy on Periodic Review of Academic Administrators). Memo has been received.

The item comes by the Provost request to address concerns towards timely performance reviews of college Deans. Current policy is once every 5 years, however, most Deans are not sticking around long enough to get one review.

Action: Send to Personnel Committee

1. Memo dated February 3, 2020, from Dr. Thomas Holyoke, Chair Academic Senate to Members of the Senate Executive Committee re: Request for Review of APM 242 (Policy and Procedure on Assignment of Grades). Memo has been received.

Issue: A couple dozen faculty are repeat offenders of not turning in grades by deadline creating issues with registrar’s office and negatively impacting enrollment for a significant fraction of students.

Action: Send to personnel committee.

1. Memo dated February 20, 2020, from Dr. James Mullooly, Chair Academic Policy and Planning, to Dr. Thomas Holyoke, Chair Academic Senate re: Student Internship Policy APM TBA. Memo has been received.

Suggestion: New APM policy concerning student internships.

Action: place on next meeting’s agenda.

Invite: Dr. Mullooly and Dr. Muscat

1. Charges for the Online/Blended Education and Multicultural/International Subcommittees.

With amendments: AP&P – UUCC

No discussion.

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With amendments: AP&P – UUCC and add CFE ex officio

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1. Student Ratings Subcommittee Request.

Chair of ad hoc committee makes a case for ongoing faculty oversight of the ratings instrument and procedures.

Place on next meeting’s agenda and invite Dr. Dyer.

1. Executive Session.

Enter session: 4:05

Exit Session: 4:23

Emma Hughes

Ben Boone

Paul Price

Chris Lucey

Zhanna Bagdasarov

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The Senate Executive Committee adjourned at 4:25 pm.

The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be on Monday, March 2 at 3:00 in room HML 2108.

Submitted by: Approved by:

Raymond Hall Thomas Holyoke

Vice Chair Chair

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