

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting 10am, 16 October 2023 Virginia Martin-Howard Boardroom, School of Music

## **Approved Minutes of the Meeting**

## Attendance:

**Present**: Daniel Tirone (Vice-President), Parampreet Singh (Secretary), Kyla Kazuschyk (Member-at-Large), , Michelle Osborn (Member-at-Large), Tricia Cobb (Administrative Assistant)

**Absent:** Inessa Bazayev (President), Mandi Lopez (Past President), Kevin Ringelman (Member-at-Large)

A regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee convened at 10:00 am on Oct 16, 2023, at the Virginia Martin-Howard Boardroom in the LSU campus, the Vice-President being the Chair and Secretary being present. There were no public comments. The minutes of the last meeting were adopted unanimously following a motion by Osborn.

In the Chair's updates, Vice-President Tirone mentioned that LSU has recently rescinded PS-50 – "Responsibilities and Concerns of University Personnel." On reaching out to the Office of Academic Affairs, Tirone was informed that this policy statement was quite outdated and has been pulled out for a short period. Committee members expressed concerns on this development since section IIA of that policy concerned with faculty responsibilities and the policy serves as a reference for college bylaws and responsibilities for adminsitrators including Chairs and Deans. In another update, Tirone mentioned that Olivier Moréteau and Jon Snow has agreed to serve on the committee being form to overcome AAUP censures.

The first item of the new business was What Every Faculty Member Should Know from the October Faculty Senate meeting. Osborn moved to approve the draft. Passed unanimously.

The committee then discussed contents of the Broadcast email to be sent to the faculty. The email will contain President's Report, What Every Faculty Member Should Know, result of elections to standing committees, hyperlink to webpage of each committee, and highlights from the survey result on perception of LSU faculty by general population. Kazuschyk moved to approve. Passed unanimously.

The next item on agenda was committee appointments. Osborn moved to appoint Carmela Matza to the Internationalization Committee and Liz Lessner to the Policy Committee. Passed unanimously.

The committee then discussed recent expenditures. Cobb reported that \$34 were spent on a

name plate for Osborn and \$361.07 were spent on the luncheon for Chairs of the Senate Committees. Kazuschyk moved to approve these expenses. Passed unanimously.

The committee then discussed the Survey Results on perception of LSU faculty by the general population. Committee members noted that an overwhelming percentage of population has a very favorable view of the LSU faculty and their research and teaching across disciplines.

The next item on the agenda was CoFA Report for October Board Meeting. The committee discussed inclusion of highlights from the survey results, highlighting a couple of faculty accomplishments in research and teaching, and mentioning continuing problems with infrastructure such as frequent power cuts and the state of the buildings in the campus.

The committee then discussed the agenda of the Faculty Senate meeting on Nov 2. There will be an election to the Faculty Appeals Board, and possibly presentations by Human Resource on parental leave and by the Benefits Committee on changes to retirement plans.

The next item on agenda was Handbook Revisions on which the committee discussed inconsistencies in the way the handbook discusses holidays and inconsistencies with state regulations. The committee would continue this discussion in the next meeting.

Kazuschyk moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:20 am. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Parampreet Singh, Secretary