

Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting 08 August 2025 10:00am, 135F Thomas Boyd Hall

Minutes of the Meeting

Attendance

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

Guest: Wen-Chieh Fan, Director of Academic Technology

A regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee convened at 10:00 am on August 08, 2025, in room 135F of Thomas Boyd Hall 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 approved as amended.

President's Updates

- 1. Tirone updated FSEC on a previously discussed personnel matter.
- 2. Tirone and Bazayev discussed the current status of the Attendance Survey. Bazayev will reach out to potential analysts for the project.
- 3. Tirone met with OIE to discuss the implementation of a new software platform for submitting new courses or course revision submissions to FS Courses & Curriculum that would streamline the process and allow faculty to track the status of their proposal.
- 4. Tirone has been informed that we will be receiving support funds from the President's office.
- 5. A faculty member contacted Tirone about faculty representation on a task force to address the Governor's executive order to change accrediting bodies.
- 6. Tirone, Bazayev, and Singh attended a session of the search committee for the new Vice President of Enrollment Management.
- 7. Tirone reported that the search committee for the new President Search will meet next week.
- 8. Tirone spoke with Provost Blanchard- he will sponsor reception after the August meeting of Faculty Senate.
- 9. Tirone was invited to participate in site visit at University of Boulder, an AAU school, scheduled for next week.

Tirone suggested to suspend the rules and add AAU Site Visit to the Agenda. The were no objections.

Discussion ensued about the upcoming **AAU Site Visit** and other planned site visits, and the value of Tirone attending. Singh moved to give blanket approval for any site visits to AAU universities. The motion was unanimously approved.

Unfinished Business

- 1. The first item of unfinished business was **Committee Operating Procedures**. Tirone is still drafting revisions and plans to send them to FSEC by the next meeting. Should be given to FSEC by next meeting.
- 2. The next item of unfinished business was **FSEC Meeting Schedule.** Singh made a motion to approve Monday mornings from 9-10:30 for routine FSEC meetings until the new FSEC member is elected this Fall, upon which time the meeting time will be reconsidered. The motion was unanimously approved.

New Business

- 1. The first item of new business was **FS Guidebook.** Since there are not substantive changes, the committee decided to make the 25-26 guidebook available online. Copies of last year's version can be given out at meeting. Mattza suggested to create an app for this information in the guidebook and Singh will investigate the plausibility of such an app.
- 2. The next item of new business **Faculty Handbook.** The faculty handbook was revised last summer but the new version is difficult to find. Tirone will look into making sure websites are updated with the current Handbook.
- 3. The next item of new business was **Orientations.** We plan to have new Senator and Chair orientations this year; they will be planned in a few weeks.
- 4. The next item of new business was **Committee Appointments & Elections.** There are positions that need to be filled for the elected committees: Budget & Planning, Adjudication Committee, and Appeals. Singh made a motion to appoint Kayanush Aryana to the ASH committee as the representative for the College of Agriculture. The motion was unanimously approved. There are more appointments to be made.

Osborn made a motion to suspend the rules and take up **Moodle**. The motion was unanimously approved.

5. The next item of new business was **Moodle.** Wen-Chieh Fan, Director of Academic Technology. Fan discussed the need for a new vendor and the migration of data because of storage limitations. Changes are expected to begin happening in September and Fan has requested FS help in delivering the message to faculty.

Kazuschyk moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:35 am. The motion was passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Osborn, Secretary