

Senate Executive Committee Meeting (12/13/2023)

Attendees: Elizabeth McNie (Chair), Sarah Senk (Vice Chair), Ariel Setniker (Secretary), Christine Isakson, Wil Tsai, Mike Holden, Maggie Ward, Provost Schroeder.

- **Chair's Updates**

- Policy on Boards & Committees – desire to eliminate policy in President's office, due to listing of each and every committee on campus and required membership and any slight change (e.g. eliminating a task force) would require a rewrite of the policy
- Isakson: Would eliminating the policy result in lack of diversity/representation on committees?
- Schroder: allows us to be more nimble, don't want to rewrite every time someone leaves Cal Maritime, for example
- Holden: perhaps policy should just be shortened, in particular in the instance that a committee does *not* post their membership on the website
- Senk: could add "to the extent that it's possible, committees will be formed in an effort to maintain diversity/shared governance"
- Shorten policy, keep definitions, but not list committees as these change/are eliminated
- Tsai: we should designate a point person to periodically check in on requirements being met and public facing list maintenance – University Affairs, President's Office?
- Schroeder: this policy has, in the past, been owned by the President's Office

- **General Senate Plans**

- Sent out compilation from survey (total of 44 clicks, 28 responses, 16 non-responses), Sarah will go over synthesis of comments
 - Faculty Development January Announcement
 - Course Evaluation Survey
 - IWAC
 - GVAR Policy introduced
 - Senator/Departmental Duties
 - Need to elect Senator At-Large for Spring
 - CommUNITY Day Announcement

- **Commencement**

- There were plans to have Lavender Commencement as part of main commencement, but there were concerns made that one specific group would be excluded, so moved to a reception
- Compass Meeting: there was strong opposition against any added items, that uniforms are about putting away self and being part of the group

- Strongly encouraged Compass to poll their constituents to ensure it is not just their views but all

- **Project proposed by student**
 - Neil Sterud wants to hold a TEDx conference – needs \$6K to register and get license, but who would hold license when Neil graduates, etc.?
 - Should send a faculty member – who?
 - Tsai: will need a large chunk of money earmarked for A/V
 - Faculty Sponsor/Internship situation?

- **Open Floor**
 - Tsai: confirming buildings unlocked, food present for finals?
 - Schroeder: will send out reminders, including heat being turned on.