**Academic Senate Executive Committee Minutes**

**MONDAY, May 1, 2023**

**approved**

***Call to Order***

Academic Senate chairperson Martha Callison Horst called the meeting to order.

***Public Comment: All speakers must sign in with the Senate Secretary prior to the start of the meeting.***

None.

***Approval of the minutes from April 03, 2023.***

Motion by Senator Mainieri, seconded by Senator Cline, to approve the minutes. The motion was unanimously approved.

***Oral Communication:***

None.

***Distributed Communications:***

***Academic Senate Calendar for 2023-2024***

Senator Horst: On April 24th, we have the meeting time at 7:15 p.m., do we want to change that?

Senator Mainieri: There was a gap, but we didn’t have to do any actual voting.

Senator Nikolaou: It was not like the time when we were via Zoom, and it took forever.

Senator Horst: But it was on Zoom.

Senator Mainieri: But even last year for exec we had to a ballot.

Senator Horst: So, you think we’ll need the time. Okay.

***Lobby Report from Strategia Consulting***

Senator Horst: Any comment about the report? This person could come in and present the project. We also have two other presentations.

Senator Cline: We can share this with the senate to read since this is a report.

Senator Horst: Yes, but we would have no body to answer question. I have a question about the Open Meetings Act. The line “meetings are more control and there are fewer disruption of members calling out” alarmed me, but I worked with legal and looked at the actual bill and all of them are in committee.

***Ip Lists:***

* ***Academic Affairs Committee***
* ***Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee***
* ***Faculty Affairs Committee***
* ***Planning and Finance Committee***
* ***Rules Committee***
* ***University Policy Committee***

The Executive Committee reviewed the Issues Pending Lists of the internal committee and made adjustments as appropriate.

Senator Horst: We have now two new committees. What we can do is go through the list and see if there is anything that we can remove. Let’s start with the Academic Affairs Committee.

Senator Nikolaou: For the Code of Student Conduct, we will need to assign it to the Student Caucus.

Senator Horst: My understanding is the code is delayed, but I will meet with LJ and try to get the plagiarism part to be done earlier.

Senator Cline: I thought the Code of Student Conduct comes to Academic affairs after having go through students?

Senator Horst: Yes

Senator Nikolaou: Isn’t it different now? Since we have the Student Caucus as an official committee now?

Senator Horst: They will both work on it. It does go to the Student Caucus first, then the Academic Affairs committee.

Senator Blum: The dean brings it through SGA.

Senator Horst: I don’t think they are going to have the full code, but I am going to ask that they have the plagiarism part.

Senator Nikolaou: The Student Caucus and the Academic Affairs Committee will look at the Student Code of Conduct jointly since both of them are internal committees now.

Senator Horst: They are not going to look at jointly because they may not agree with each other.

Senator Cline: Academic Affairs Committeehas students representative on it.

Senator Holmes: It would be like a double representation.

Senator Horst: I was wondering if the Student Caucus can look at the residency status policy to 1.1.7. It talks about the determination to residency for dependent students, termination of independent status, special consideration through marriage, military service all about, residency of students.

Speaker 4: Yes, I think the Student Caucus can work with Legal. What committee does that go through right now?

Senator Cline: Academic Affairs.

Senator Mainieri: It does make sense to give it to Student Caucus, but it seems like an increase workload for them.

Senator Horst: They have always reviewed the Code but that was always all of SGA.

Senator Mainieri: so are we reinstating SGA

Senator Horst: No.

Senator Mainieri: So, Student Caucus feels capable for of all this?

Speaker 4: Yes, we have updated how we operate so we can meet and work. We wanted to be more involved.

Senator Mainieri: That is something that we need to think about. If we are saying Student Caucus, then it really should be something that at this committee review stage only student voices can be represented. It is something to think about.

Speaker 5: I’m also leaning for this policy to go to Student Caucus.

Senator Horst: There is no way to edit this without legal. So, if it does go to Student Caucus, they will still have to work with legal. So, the Code of Conduct is going through the Student Caucus and then Academic Affairs. Any other thought on the Academic Affairs Issues Pending list? Okay we might come back to it. Next is Administrative Affairs and Budget committee. Senator Nikolaou, you have some items here.

Senator Nikolaou: Yes, so it is policies 3.2.15, 3.2.16, 3.3.6, 3.2.13. We should add comments in the description that our committee looked at them. We have gotten fees back from the Dean. We might have to look at them again.

Interim President Tarhule: There are some of these things I was to figure out.

Senator Cline: Is the blue book is still a thing?

Senator Horst: we do not call it the blue book anymore. We call it appendix 2 and any other comment about AABC.

Senator Horst: So, moving on to Faculty Affairs. I am hoping the Provost’s office can do some work on 4.1.9 this summer. I still have to do a “to do list” for the Provost’s office. I was wondering if the Protection of Minors policy should be appropriate to move to the University Policy Committee.

Senator Nikolaou: I have a question. Do we know who is going to be the Office of the Provost representative on the committee?

Senator Horst: Remember there are a lot of students on the University Policy Committee. Janice Bonneville will do the senate work. She does not work in the Provost’s office; she comes to so many committees and helps them with policies.

Interim President Tarhule: They may not mind. Sometimes with policies… if you can provide feedback, is a good thing.

Senator Horst: getting back to original question.

Senator Cline: What is the role of University Policy Committee?

Senator Blum: Things that don’t fit into the Academic Affairs or these other committees, If it impacts the university, then it goes to the University Policy committee.

Senator Horst: Does everybody feel comfortable moving Protection of Minors policy to the University Policy Committee?

All Senator: yes.

Senator Horst: so, Export Control, Classify Research, Significant Financial Disclosure.

Senator Cline: Classify Research should stay with Faculty Affairs, Classify Research, Significant Financial Disclosure that could move to?

Senator Horst: There are also workload issues.

Interim President Tarhule: Are there components in this policy that are not driven by the state? In the export control?

Senator Horst: It has gone to the senate before. We should have a say. So, Export Control and Significant Financial Disclosure do you want to keep this to Faculty Affairs?

Senator Nikolaou: I would say keep it and then send the Minor Protection, but I had a question about 3.2.11. Should this go to University Policy or AABC?

Senator Horst: Is that about faculty?

Senator Nikolaou: It is about employment.

Senator Horst: That one, let’s move it to University Policy Committee. Any other thing we want to move in Faculty Affairs? Okay so let’s move on. Academic Senate Planning and Finance. Now they have just the Institutional Priorities report.

Senator Cline: Is that all they are doing the whole year?

Senator Horst: Yes. But we can request them to do a policy or two. They were working on the drone policy, for instance.

Senator Cline: We can move aircraft policy back to them.

Senator Horst: Are there any other policies we should move to Planning and Finance?

Senator Mainieri: What about the appendix to the Code of Ethics?

Senator Horst: But they will have to do all of the Code of Ethics. What about Smoke and Tobacco Free Campus policy?

Senator Blum: I feel like that aligns, the planning of the campus community.

Senator Horst: So, we are moving policies 5.1.1 and 5.1.7 and 6.1.40.

Rules. Interim president Tarhule, did you have a comment about the bylaws?

Interim President Tarhule: No, I signed everything that I have received. I don’t about the last one. I signed it but I did not want to send it back to you guys.

Senator Blum: We still have work to do. The initial Rules Committee went through the entire bylaws, so I will probably pick some strategic section again. If there are some things that we missed, it doesn’t mean that we can’t go back.

Interim President Tarhule: I shared them with Jeannie for clarification, but none of them are to the point where we need to send it back to you. Its a continual process.

Senator Horst: okay. The College of Engineering bylaws -- do you think that would be next year?

Senator Mainieri: What are you thinking next year in term of when you would want it?

Senator Horst: To get to the Rules Committee in one year, we will need it by November. That should be priority with any constitution change that comes along as well. The senate has 29 faculty members, and it says each college should be represented. It also describes AP and Civil Service rep. So if you are changing the part that says AP and Civil Service rep, you have to deal with the fact that each college should be represented but there is no way we can represent Engineering unless we take away a seat. We can take away faculty associate position and give it to Engineering?

Senator Mainieri: Where does the distribution of college membership in the 29 members?

Senator Horst: it is decided by the Provost.

Interim President Tarhule: So, who will decide? The Provost decides or the Senate?

Senator Horst: You and I talked about the senate trying to come up with the solution.

Interim President Tarhule: Yes, I would hope that it is not up to the provost deciding.

Senator Horst: The constitution goes to Rules Committee. With the University Policy Committee, we have the Whistleblower policy, Protection of Minors policy, The Code of Ethics professional relationships, Appendix to the Code of Ethics, University Violence, Television Programing. I talk to Charles Edamala, and he is committed to doing Appropriate Use policy next year; it will be a lot of work.

Senator Mainieri: will the University Violence policy be one that Planning and Finance do?

Senator Horst: We could move it over. Everyone agrees?

All senators: yes

***\*\*Approval of Proposed Senate Agenda – See pages below\*\****

Motion by Senator Mainieri, seconded by Senator Holmes, to approve the agenda. The motion was unanimously approved. See below.

***04.21.23.08 Snyder Email\_ Restoring free tuition for faculty (Dist. to Faculty Affairs Committee)***

Senator Horst: we have this comment from Snyder about tuition. Do I forward that to internal committee?

Senator Cline: I’m going to argue against it. I have a lot of issues with it.

Senator Nikolaou: I agreed.

Senator Mainieri: I also don’t support this email being send out to the committee.

Senator Horst: Okay, we will not forward this item to the senate.

[***7.8.1 Operating Budget***](https://policy.illinoisstate.edu/fiscal/7-8-1.shtml) ***(Non-Senate?)***

Senator Horst: Does anybody think that this is a senate policy?

Senator Mainieri: I don’t see why this would be a senate policy.

Senator Horst: Do we agree with that?

All Senator: Yes.

Senator Horst: Okay this is an non-senate policy.

[***3.3.5 Distinguished Professors***](https://policy.illinoisstate.edu/employee/3-3-5.shtml) ***(Dist. to Faculty Affairs Committee- wait for Provost proposal)***

Senator Horst: This is up for review, and it will go to Faculty Affairs committee; they will probably want to wait until the Provost works with us to figure out what to do with the University Professor policy.

[***2.1.27 Student Bereavement Policy***](https://policy.illinoisstate.edu/students/2-1-27.shtml) ***(Dist. to Student Caucus)***

Senator Horst: This was a policy that was drafted by the SGA a couple of years ago. Do we agree that it will go to the Student Caucus?

All senator: Yes

[***5.1.13 Anti-Hazing***](https://policy.illinoisstate.edu/health-safety/5-1-13.shtml) ***(Dist. to Student Caucus)***

Senator Horst: This was last reviewed by the Student Caucus. I will check with LJ to see if they need to change anything to the code.

***Executive Session: Commentary on the 2021-2022 Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost and Vice President for Finance and Planning***

The Executive Committee went to executive session to discuss the survey and commentary on the Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost and Vice President for Finance and Planning. The material will be forwarded to Interim President Tarhule and the vice president.

***Adjournment***

***Proposed***

**Optional Canvas Open House**

**Wednesday, May 10, 2023**

**6:30-6:55 P.M.  
TechZone, Bone Student Center**

**Academic Senate Meeting Agenda**

**Wednesday, May 10, 2023**

**7:00 P.M.  
Old Main, Bone Student Center**

***Call to Order (Student Body President/Academic Senate Vice Chairperson)***

***Seating of New Senate (Student Body President/Academic Senate Vice Chairperson)***

***Roll Call (Student Body President/Academic Senate Vice Chairperson)***

***Election of Academic Senate Chairperson***

Martha Horst, MUS, WKCFA

***Election of Academic Senate Secretary***

Tracy Mainieri, KNR, CAST

***Election of Executive Committee Faculty Members***

Dimitrios Nikolaou, ECO, CAS

Lea Cline, ART, WKCFA

Craig Blum, TCH, COE

Angela Bonnell, MIL

***Public Comment: All speakers must sign in with the Senate Secretary prior to the start of the meeting.***

***Presentation: New Housing and Dining Project (Vice President for Student Affairs Levester Johnson)***

***Approval of the Academic Senate minutes of April 12, 2023 and April 26, 2023.***

***Chairperson's Remarks***

***Student Body President's Remarks***

***Administrators' Remarks:***

* ***Interim President Aondover Tarhule***
* ***Acting Provost Ani Yazedjian***
* ***Vice President for Student Affairs Levester Johnson***
* ***Vice President for Finance and Planning Dan Stephens***

***Consent Agenda: (All items under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items.)***

* ***Physics:*** [***Master of Science in Physics***](https://academicsenate.illinoisstate.edu/consent/2023-04%20Master%20of%20Science%20in%20Physics.pdf)
* ***Politics and Government:*** [***General Political Science Sequence***](https://academicsenate.illinoisstate.edu/consent/2023-04%20General%20Political%20Science%20Sequence.pdf)
* ***Politics and Government:*** [***Accelerated Political Science Sequence***](https://academicsenate.illinoisstate.edu/consent/2023-04%20Accelerated%20Political%20Science%20Sequence.pdf)

***Advisory Items:***

***Academic Plan (Acting Provost Ani Yazedjian)***

***~~Lobby Report from Strategia Consulting~~***

***Information/Action Item:***

***Academic Senate Calendar for 2023-2024***

***Communications***

***Adjournment or Hard Stop 8:30 p.m.***

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| ***Martha Horst***- Chairperson- WKCFA Faculty | Present |
| ***Dimitrios Nikolaou-*** Secretary-CAS Faculty | Present |
| ***Craig Blum-*** COE Faculty | Present |
| ***Lea Cline***- WKCFA Faculty | Present |
| ***Deb Garrahy***- CAST Faculty | Present |
| ***Tracy Mainieri***- CAST Faculty | Present |
| ***Jimmy Holmes****- Student Senator* | Present |
| ***Zoe Smith****- Student Senator* |  |
| ***P. Walsh*** |  |
| ***Braxton Myers****- Student Senator* |  |
| ***Acting Provost Ani Yazedjian***- Ex-officio non-voting | Excused |
| ***Aondover Tarhule****- Interim President* | Present |