**Academic Senate Executive Committee Minutes**

**Monday, March 18, 2024**

**Hovey 419, 4:00 P.M.**

Chairperson Horst called meeting to order @ 4:01 pm and declared a quorum.

There were no public comments.

**Approval of the minutes from February 12, 2024 and February 26, 2024**

Motion by: Senator Beddow Seconded: Senator Mainieri

One change made on page three from a misspelling.

Unanimous approval

February 12th motioned by: Senator Blum Seconded: Senator Beddow

No additions or corrections

Unanimous approval

***Oral Communications:***

***Robert Blemler, Director of Internal Auditing re: Consultant’s Independent Review of Athletic Department Expenses***

Chairperson Horst: Per 5 ILCS 120/(c) (29), we will now go into closed session of the Executive Committee with the University’s internal auditor to review and discuss an external audit as it may relate to any findings of the internal control weaknesses, potential fraud risk areas, or known or suspected frauds, in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards of the United States of America.

Motioned by Senator Cline, seconded by Senator Mainieri to go into executive session. The motion was approved.

After discussion in executive session, Senator Mainieri made a motion to leave executive session. Second by Cline. Unanimous approval.

We discussed with Robert Blemler, Director of Internal Auditing re: Consultant’s Independent Review of Athletic Department Expenses from January 1, 2020 - April 30, 2023 and the contractual terms associated with the report.

***Distributed Communications:***

***From Eduardo Monk, Jr., Student Caucus (Information Item 03/27/2024)***

***Policy 2.1.27***

Senator Monk: Caucus went through the technical side of this policy with Jill Benson. Three major changes proposed are: Five consecutive/non consecutive days, travel time being increased, and something already set in precedent, increase excuse days through the Dean of Students office IF NEEDED.

Senator Horst: Exec has suggested a lot of editorial changes. Dimitrios’ and Senator Blum's comments are things that can be followed up on the floor.

Senator Nikolaou: Adding the non-consecutive, how does this play in with the travel component? There is a loophole that can be seen through this.

***From Rick Valentin, Planning and Finance (Information Item 03/27/2024)***

***Policy 5.1.1***

Senator Horst: I had discussions recently with the Office of General Counsel regarding policy 5.1.19; and, as that policy is mentioned in this policy, we should wait until 5.1.19 is complete and discussed.

Senator Cline: The committee will have to look at this, but we had the Chief of Police and Alice Maginnis with us to talk about the state law updates. So the changing of terminology needs to be there; we have what is prohibited but we need to put a why.

The Executive Committee decided to send this policy back to Planning and Finance.

***Policy 5.1.7***

Senator Horst: Regarding the comments on the draft, I believe that if you are in a car, it counts as private property.

Senator Cline: Now people don’t smoke real cigarettes, they have vapes.

The committee thought this draft was ready to go to the floor.

***From Tom Lucey, Faculty Affairs Committee (Information Item 03/27/2024)***

***Policy 4.1.13***

Senator Horst: I had a meeting with Jeannie Barrett, and she believed the first sentence was fine even though there may be debate on this. There was also one more change that was mentioned, but that has to go through committee.

Senator Nikolaou: In the last paragraph, should the Provost’s office be reviewing the non-disclosure? I don’t think this is time well spent.

Interim Provost Yazdjian: So you are suggesting this happens after the agreement, not before?

Senator Nikolaou: Yes I think that makes sense; this will be a question asked and discussed on the floor.

Senator Cline: I don’t see it as a cyclical every time.

Senator Mainieri: I think if we move the first sentence and move it to the end, that would be helpful.

***From Martha Horst, Executive Committee (Information Item 03/27/2024)***

***Article V, 5.1. F – Consent Agenda***

Senator Horst: This morning, Senator Cline and I came up with a new proposal on how to make the consent agenda work. We are thinking that items that are non-controversial will go in front of the body as action items – items where there is little discussion during information stages.

**Dean Evaluation form:**

Senator Mainieri: Last year we had the dean eval form, some comments were some small changes, such as separation of students and faculty of the AI policies.

The committee thought that this was ready to be an information item.

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

Motion to approve: Senator Mainieri made a motion to approve the proposed agenda. Seconded by Senator Beddow. The agenda was approved as amended (see below; items in red were added).

***From Lea Cline, Provost Fellow (Dist. to Academic Affairs Committee)***

*Policy 4.1.21*

Senator Cline: I have spent three months on this revision and the change of the policy. Mostly this is a result in changes of the law, and Martha's request that we get in line with what other universities do. We have checked with University General Counsel, and everything is status quo, so this will not come to issue with the union.

Senator Horst: This will go to the Academic Affairs committee? What is the modality of exactly 50%? Who gets this modality? As well, you may want to add the Dean of Mennonite School of Nursing when discussing chair/director approval.

Motion to adjourn meeting: Senator Blum

Seconded Senator Blum

Unanimous approval.

***~~Proposed~~* Academic Senate Meeting Agenda**

**Wednesday, March 27, 2024**

**7:00 P.M.**

**OLD MAIN ROOM, BONE STUDENT CENTER**

**HARD STOP: 9 pm**

***Call to Order***

***Roll Call***

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

***Presentation: Robert Blemler, Director of Internal Auditing***

***Summary of Consultant’s Independent Review of Athletic Department Expenses***

***Approval of the Academic Senate minutes of February 7, 2024***

***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***
* ***Interim Vice President for Finance and Planning Dan Petree***

[***Consent Agenda***](https://academicsenate.illinoisstate.edu/consent/2024.shtml)***: (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.)***

* *Artificial Intelligence and Decision Making*

***Action Items:***

***From Craig Blum: Rules Committee***

***03.08.24.10 Memo Bylaws Changes***

*~~Voting Procedures of the Academic Senate -Article III~~*

*~~02.15.24.04 Voting Procedures Article III Elections Current Copy~~*

*~~03.08.24.05 Voting Procedures Article III Elections Mark Up~~*

*~~03.08.24.06 Voting Procedures Article III Elections Clean~~*

*Voting Procedures of the Academic Senate -Article V*

*03.08.24.07 Voting Procedures Article V Current Copy*

*03.08.24.08 Voting Procedures Article V Mark Up*

*03.08.24.09 Voting Procedures Article V Clean*

***From Dimitrios Nikolaou, Academic Affairs Committee***

*Policy 2.1.20 Equitable Treatment of Students Participating in University Sponsored**Activities*

*02.29.24.01 Policy 2.1.20 Equitable Treatment of Students in University Sponsored Activities (Current Copy)*

*02.29.24.02 Policy 2.1.20 (Mark Up Copy)*

*02.29.24.03 Policy 2.1.20 (Clean Copy)*

*Policy 2.1.26 Student Absences Due to Service as a Volunteer Emergency Worker*

*02.08.24.14 Policy 2.1.26 Student Absences Due to Service as a Volunteer Emergency Worker (Current Copy)*

*02.08.24.15 Policy 2.1.26 (Mark Up Copy)*

*02.08.24.16 Policy 2.1.26 (Clean Copy)*

***Policy 4.1.20 Final Course Grade Challenge Policy***

*Policy 4.1.12 Sale of Instructional Materials*

*02.29.24.04 Policy 4.1.12 Sale of Instructional Materials (current copy)*

*02.29.24.05 Policy 4.1.12 Sale of Instructional Materials (mark up copy)*

*02.29.24.06 Policy 4.1.12 Sale of Instructional Materials (clean copy)*

*Policy 2.1.10 Dean’s List*

*02.22.24.07 Policy 2.1.10 Dean’s List (current copy)*

*02.22.24.08 Policy 2.1.10 Dean’s List (mark up copy)*

*02.22.24.09 Policy 2.1.10 Dean’s List (clean copy)*

***Information Items:***

***Voting Procedures of the Academic Senate -Article III***

***02.15.24.04 Voting Procedures Article III Elections Current Copy***

***03.08.24.05 Voting Procedures Article III Elections Mark Up***

***03.08.24.06 Voting Procedures Article III Elections Clean***

***From Eduardo Monk, Jr., Student Caucus***

*02.27.24.01 Policy 2.1.27 Student Bereavement Current Copy*

*02.27.24.02 Policy 2.1.27 Student Bereavement Mark Up Copy*

*02.27.24.03 Policy 2.1.27 Student Bereavement Clean Copy*

***From Tom Lucey, Faculty Affairs Committee***

*Policy 4.1.13*

*03.08.24.01 Policy 4.1.13 Classified Research (Current Copy)*

*03.07.24.02 Policy ~~5.1.1~~ 4.1.13 Classified Research (Mark Up Copy)*

*03.07.24.03 Policy ~~5.1.1~~ 4.1.13 Classified Research (Clean Copy)*

*~~03.07.24.04 Policy 5.1.1 Classified Research\_FY24\_R2\_AM-OGC (Policy 5.1.1 with comments from OGC and John Baur, previous AVP of Research and Graduate Studies)~~*

***~~From Martha Horst, Executive Committee~~***

*~~Article V, 5.1. F – Consent Agenda – proposed mark up~~*

***From Rick Valentin, Planning and Finance Committee***

***Policy 5.1.7 Smoke and Tobacco-Free Campus***

***From Tracy Mainieri, Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee***

*COE Dean Evaluation Form*

*03.08.24.13 COE Dean Evaluation Form (Current Copy)*

*03.08.24.14 COE Dean Evaluation Form (Mark Up Copy)*

*03.08.24.15 COE Dean Evaluation Form (Clean Copy)*

***Internal Committee Reports:***

* ***Academic Affairs Committee: Senator Nikolaou***
* ***Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: Senator Mainieri***
* ***Faculty Affairs Committee: Senator Lucey***
* ***Planning and Finance Committee: Senator Valentin***
* ***Rules Committee: Senator Blum***
* ***University Policy Committee: Senator Sheridan***

***Communications***

***Adjournment***