



Thursday, October 3, 2024
2 pm, MA 319

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA SETTING MEETING

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Present: Jason Francis, Isabel Asensio, Jennifer Anderson, Ryan Cain, Michele Culumber, Mary Foss, Sarah Herrmann, Christie O'Neil, Mary Beth Willard, Ravi Krovi, Brad Mortensen, Belinda McElheny, Raymond Ruiz

Guest: Stephanie Hollist, Andrew Keinsley, Abdulmalek Al-Ghami, Cora Neal, Aaron Atkins, Leigh Shaw

Excused:

1. Approval of [September 5, 2024](#) meeting minutes

Motion to approve: Christie O'Neil
Second: Jennifer Anderson
Outcome: Unanimous

2. Strategic Plan update- Ravi Krovi

Discussion on the changes within the strategic plan and aligning it with the law changes. Added a paragraph to the strategic plan on commitment to student success. Deleted the section on equity. Added more verbiage that speaks to data informed decisions. The overall changes have not been significant but it will help with the next change when it comes forward. The committee has been looking at economic development outcomes. This version will only be in place for the next nine months. Needed to comply with HB 261 and help to define how to do the work.

3. SAC agenda items-

Raymond Ruiz is leaving the university and there will be a SAC election to replace him as the SAC chair. There are also elections that will be happening for SAC representatives upcoming.

4. [ARCC annual report](#)- Abdulmalek Al-Gahmi

During the last academic year there were 13 grants that were funded. 12 were fully funded, awarded over \$126,000 for ARCC grants. ARCC conducted a survey and had 236 responses. After the survey was sent out, some changes will be made to the survey and sent out this year. Committee members have been going to different meetings within the IT meetings. Academic portfolio committee was looking for a faculty member. Provost wanted to mention that maybe we should make the information

Motion to approve: Jennifer Anderson

Second: Mary Beth Willard
Outcome: Unanimous

5. [RSPG annual report](#)- Aaron Atkins & Sarah Herrmann

Discussion on the requests for funding, the amount of the travel requests was almost double of what was given. During the 23-24 year the committee launched the new website and continued to use google forms. Moved to adobe sign to solicit signatures from various entities. Breakdowns for all of the awardees.

Just went through the first round this semester and the amount funds requested was \$20,000 and only had \$10,000 available. Working on creating some rubrics to guide how the funding is given out to create some consistency. Informational meetings have been created for faculty to learn how to apply for funding.

Suggestion was made to vary times and maybe add others to the schedule to train.

Motion to approve: Christie O'Neal
Second: Michele Culumber
Outcome: Unanimous

6. [GEAIC](#) General Education institutional areas- Leigh Shaw & Cora Neal

Discussion on the General education presentation. Beginning to set up R-470 and discussion on the 27 or 30 credit for gen ed. Gen ed is getting smaller but degrees are not getting smaller. Summarize what the other Utah institutions are doing. 4 other institutions are 30 credits SUU is keeping IL and will be 28. Transferring will not be an issue. This is informational for the moment. There is additional information that is coming forward. The discussion is evolving. Several ideas are coming through. The discussion on what it will look like if offering a 90 credit major. The intent is to get more input from faculty and share that it is not yet 30. Add a slide to show who in the college is in GEAIC. Maybe add a pros and cons slide and one on how to present that input/ideas. Add a deadline. Maybe a decision tree.

Motion to Approve to move forward after additional slides : Sarah Herrmann
Second: Isabel Asensio
Outcome: Unanimous

7. [SB 192 Task Force Survey Results](#)- Ryan Cain

Discussion on the results from the Survey. The task force kept track of the comments and survey results. Shared comments in survey. colleges would like to hear more from the senators in the college. The sample was 34 with 60 being started. Most were faculty with 10 plus years. Spoke about the timing of the survey having an effect on the amount of responses.

Motion to approve: Sarah Herrmann
Second: Isabel Asensio
Outcome: Unanimous

Action Items

8. [Crossroads Economics Center - 2024-2025](#)- Andrew Keinsley

The center was originally created as a university committee and was moved to the college level. The college decided to change the name To align with the law change. The center is already beginning to move forward. Try to make the mission more general to make it a little more flexible.

Motion to Approve: Christie O'Neil

Second: Ryan Cain

Outcome: Unanimous

9. [URTE](#)

The URTE is not a Faculty Senate committee; the role that is provided is a recommendation for chair and alternate chair.

a. Committee chair recommendation

Electra Fielding

b. Alternate chair recommendation

Vincent Bates

10. [PPM \(Review often legal will be adding policies to the folder. as I get them I will link them\)](#):

In the 2024 Utah Legislative Session, extensive legislation was passed that affected higher education institutions in the State of Utah. The Board of Higher Education has expressed a desire for the institutions to expeditiously implement this new legislation. The university has diligently reviewed all PPMs in order to accomplish this objective. This resulted in a comprehensive review of all the PPMs. Other PPMs will be brought forward to the Board of Trustees throughout the academic year.

APC

[PPM 6-1](#), Residency

[PPM 6-2](#), Admissions

[PPM 6-11](#), Eligibility for Student Activities

[PPM 9-2](#), Faculty Rights

Business

[PPM 2-10](#), Employees' Bond

[PPM 2-14](#), Memorialization of University Facilities

[PPM 3-6](#), Employment of Relatives and Household Members

[PPM 3-27](#), Administrative Leave

[PPM 3-40](#), Retirement

[PPM 3-42a](#), Tuition Benefits for Non-Salaried Employees

[PPM 3-47](#), Salary Administration for Non-Exempt Staff Personnel

[PPM 4-27](#), Processing and Management of Office of Sponsored Projects Documents

[PPM 5-1](#), University Business Affairs

[PPM 5-4a](#), Contract Disbursing Officers

Most of the policies are stragglers from the law change and address Board of Trustees sign off. PPM 3-42a is trying to help the people use their benefits.

3-40 is created to help with the WSU police retirement; it is worded to help with being compensated at the same level as other police entities outside of WSU.

11. [PPM 1-10](#), Administrative Standing Committees

Motion to approve: Christie O’Niel
Second: Mary Foss
Outcome: Unanimous

Faculty Senate Constitution and Bylaws

12. [PPM 1-12](#) Proposed PPM 1-12, Faculty Senate Constitution vote on sending it to the general faculty

In the constitution there has been a change that comes from APAFT. Added the word of evaluation to allow for the evaluation of the review documents.

13. [PPM 1-13](#) Faculty Senate Bylaws vote for revisions

ASSA will change to SSA and the change to retention and graduation still needs those rights. in order to meet students' needs. There will be a Faculty Senate handbook created. The EIC has voted to move to the administrative committee. HD as well. Will complete and dissolve in April.

14. [Committee on Fairness Success and Community update on Committee name and charges](#)- María del Mar González-González

Due to the changes coming from the legislature the changes Affected the committee. The Faculty Advocacy and Belonging committee was voted on by the committee and then voted for it. Discussion on the charges, charge 1 come up with recommendations and maybe a survey. Would like to see student achievement and completion come back in. The student's angle is being completed in a different committee. Discussion on tightening up the charge.

Will go to meet with the committee and work on charges.

15. [Committee replacements](#)- Jason Francis

Went through the replacements needed.

Informational:

16. [HIEE Attribute](#) request/discontinuance conversation and changes to procedure- Belinda McElheny

More discussions to follow with the UCC chair.

17. Administrative Update – Ravi Krovi

18. General Faculty vote will run 10/11/2024-10/25/2024

Adjourned at 4:51 pm