Executive Committee Minutes

February 12, 2024

Clark 550, 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Present: Baur, French, Kataoka, McKee, Multani, Sasikumar (Chair),

Sullivan-Green, Teniente-Matson, Wong, Dukes, Del Casino, Faas, Curry,

Hart, Fuentes-Martin

Absent: McKee

Recorder: Eva Joice

1. The meeting agenda was approved (consent calendar of February 12, 2024, EC agenda of February 12, 2024).

- 2. AVP Kataoka thanked Senator Curry for her contributions to the Committee on Senate Representation. Senator Curry is stepping down.
- 3. The Senate Retreat is this Friday from 10 a.m. to Noon via zoom. It will follow the same format as last year. No minutes will be taken, but the Chair will prepare a summary afterwards.
- 4. Chair Sasikumar asked for suggestions for meeting rooms the Senate could use other than Engineering 285/287. President Teniente-Matson asked if we were getting the tech support that we needed. Chair Sasikumar noted that the wireless microphones drain after 3 hours. There were several suggestions such as using one wired microphone, and using Zoom.
- 5. The Executive Committee approved the Naming committee for a teaching lab in Duncan Hall. (13-0-0).
- 6. University Updates:
 - a. From the CDO:

The CDO introduced herself and said she had been the VP and Title IX Officer at Chatham University for the last 18 months in Pennsylvania. She was an Associate Professor of Psychology at Simons University. The CDO will be working on a toolkit update and unit action plans for diversity, equity, and inclusion. We need some clarity. The CDO is working on an

inclusive framework for the Strategic Plan for 2024. The CDO held the annual retreat last week. CDO Dukes is reviewing whether they have the correct job descriptions for employees in place. The CDO will be working on a comprehensive plan for religion on campus. She will bring in a consultant to evaluate.

Q: Does the rewriting of position descriptions include professors?

A: (Provost) This is done by the Office of Faculty Success.

The CCDEI would like to expand to have a representative from every college.

b. From the AS President:

AS has allocated \$90,000 for expanding campus life. AS is revamping the AS Board structure. The AS President has had meetings with downtown SJ leadership regularly. The cost of the evening discounted Lyft program has increased.

c. From the VPSA:

There are Field of Love Events. There are Business and STEM job fairs The AVPs and Directors are working on the Strategic Plan. There are cuts to the budget every week.

Q: The hotel we acquired was 5 star, will it be more costly for students than other housing?

A: It will be moving from elegant, such as the removal of chandeliers to more regular student housing. We will move regular dorm housing into the rooms. The pricing will match CV2. The least expensive housing we have is in Joe West Hall. This housing will have discounting. We are pricing ourselves out of some students due to the cost of living. An orientation has been added. If a student applies for Higher Education Student Housing (HESH) Funding, it will be about \$1,000 for a regular bed.

7. The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

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