

Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting 8 January 2025 12:00 pm, 251 Music and Dramatic Arts Building

Minutes of the Meeting

Attendance

Present: Daniel Tirone (President), Inessa Bazayev (Past-President), Parampreet Singh (Vice-President), Michelle Osborn (Secretary), Carmela Mattza (Member-at-Large), Tricia Cobb (Administrative Assistant)

Absent: Kyla Kazuschyk (Member-at-Large), Ken Lopata (Member-at-Large),

Guests: Lindsey Newman, Student Senate

A regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee convened at 12:03 pm on January 08, 2025, in room 251 of the Music and Dramatic Arts Building at the LSU campus, with the President being the Chair and the Secretary being present. There were no public comments. Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as amended.

President's Updates

- 1. Tirone is serving on a new committee focused on Student Success put together by the President's Office.
- 2. Tirone met with Emily Hatfield, Director of Engagement and Planning for the Executive Vice President & Provost, to discuss Faculty Senate communications. This topic will be further discussed by FSEC.
- 3. Tirone forwarded an email from Parking & Transportation that includes a presentation (presented at the Nov 8, 2024 FSEC meeting) that shows the changes to parking with the library construction. Those affected will be contacted by Parking & Transportation.
- 4. Tirone met with Trey Jones on December 19th for a year-end wrap-up.
- 5. Tirone discussed 9/12 month faculty appointments and the use of leave with Academic Affairs. PS12 governs leave. Outside of the contractual arrangement with university (classes, meetings, etc.), 9-month employees have no set schedule with the university. Additionally, state law provides two personal days to all employees per year.
- 6. Tirone provided an update on GLEAN licenses. Tracey Blanchard has emailed all the evaluators, and they will have the Spring semester to evaluate GLEAN.

Unfinished Business

1. The first item of unfinished business was **Grammarly.** FSEC discussed the Office Academic Affairs' plan to relaunch Grammarly with generative AI enabled for faculty and staff. Discussion will continue.

Mattza made a motion to suspend the rules and take up **Meeting with Members of Student Government Regarding SGR 21** (1:18pm). The motion was unanimously approved. Student Senator Lindsey Newman reported on student concerns with faculty requiring students to use paid services that have the same functionality as Moodle. After some discussion, the recommendation was made for faculty to use Moodle whenever possible. This resolution will be introduced to the Faculty Senate.

Singh made a motion to suspend the rules and take up **Assistant VP for Student Affairs Search Committee Appointments**. The motion was unanimously approved. Singh made a motion to place Tirone on the committee to represent faculty. The motion was unanimously approved.

Osborn moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:31 pm. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Osborn, Secretary