

Minutes of the meeting of Aug 28, 2023

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Present: Josh Bauer, [Julia Curry](#), Patrick Day, [Vincent Del Casino](#), [Charlie Faas](#), [Rachael French](#), [Charlie Faas](#), [Reiko Kataoka](#), [Sarab Multani](#), [Karthika Sasikumar](#), [Laura Sullivan-Green](#), Cynthia Teniente-Matson, [Hiu Yung Wong](#)

Absent: Dawn Lee, Alison McKee, Tabitha Hart

The meeting was called to order at noon. The minutes of the previous Senate Executive meeting were approved without modification. The group discussed whether updates by policy committee chairs and administrators should be incorporated into the minutes. It was decided that the best course of action would be to record only the oral presentations in the minutes.

The first item of business was to discuss the nomination of Lauryn Miller, forwarded from Chief of Staff, Lisa Millora, as the Administration Representative on the Student Fairness Committee (SFC). The term ends in 2025. The committee unanimously approved this nomination.

The next item of business was the addition of subject matter experts to the special agency of the senate, the Budget Advisory Committee (BAC). One option was to amend the membership of the BAC temporarily to deal with the current budget situation, while the other was to add a small number of experts for one year with a specific charge. The President said that she would prefer to take the second option as it was expeditious. There was a question about whether these were *ex officio* members, and the answer was that they were to be chosen for their subject matter expertise, therefore they were specific individuals. They were all from within SJSU, and appointed for one year terms. They were bringing to the BAC expertise in auxiliary enterprises, self-support enterprises, Moss Landing etc. In the future, we might consider increasing the number of members on the BAC. There was a question about whether they would have voting rights and the response was that this would depend on the decision taken by BAC members.

The main item of discussion was the Senate Management Resolution (SMR) that was presented by [Julia Curry](#) and [Reiko Kataoka](#). The SMR concerned the setting up of a special committee of the Senate to investigate the potential expansion of the membership of the body. This could include staff (non-academic) and graduate students. A previous version had been presented to the

executive committee at a meeting in the spring semester, but the presenters pointed out that they had incorporated changes after discussions in the summer with a range of stakeholders. The Chair also explained the rationale for creating a special committee, rather than simply introducing a resolution to add staff. Members appreciated the effort that had gone into crafting the SMR, and recommended that the authors of the past referrals should be invited to the full Senate meeting where it would be presented, and also informed about the rationale for creating a committee.

A few changes were proposed to the SMR, adding a proviso that one of the co-chairs had to be a faculty member. The nomination process for the student member was made less stringent.

The Executive Committee voted unanimously to approve the SMR to be presented at the full Senate meeting on its behalf.