

Faculty Senate

Faculty Senate Executive Committee (FSEC) Meeting 13 October, 2025 9:00am, 135J Thomas Boyd Hall

Minutes of the Meeting

Attendance

Present: Inessa Bazayev (Past-President), Parampreet Singh (Vice-President), Kyla Kazuschyk (Member-at-Large), Ken Lopata (Member-at-Large), Kristen Healy (Member-at-Large)

Absent: Daniel Tirone (President), Michelle Osborn (Secretary)

A regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee convened at 9:01 am on October 13, 2025, in room 135J of Thomas Boyd Hall at the LSU campus, with the Vice-President serving as Chair and Member-at Large Kyla Kazuschyk served as Secretary. There were no public comments. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as amended.

President's Updates

- 1. Singh and Tirone met with the Office of Academic Affairs (OAA) to discuss H-1B Visas. Anyone with specific questions regarding H-1B Visas and LSU should reach out to Senior Vice Provost Jane Cassidy and Provost Troy Blanchard.
- 2. Blanchard, Cassidy, Tirone, and Singh also discussed ways to handle public comments at senate meetings, bearing in mind Louisiana Open Meetings Law and Robert's Rules of Order.
- 3. The timeline for the Presidential search may be changing. Search committee member Tirone will share updates when he has them.
- 4. Facility Services reached out to the FSEC to ask for perspectives regarding locking classroom doors. Members of FSEC raised several questions and voiced a wide variety of perspectives on the issue of campus security and doors. Singh will reply to Facility Services and suggest they conduct a survey to gain more information and potentially collaborate with Campus Safety and Security.

Unfinished Business

1. The first item of unfinished business was **Committee Appointments and Elections.** Lopata made a motion to appoint Revati Kumar, Ilya Vektor, and Daniel Tirone to the Administrative Processes Improvement Committee (APIC). The motion was unanimously approved.

New Business

1. The first item of new business was **What Every Faculty Member Should Know** (**WEFMSK**). The next edition should include the president's report, including updates on the search for the university president, the proposed changes to the I grade policy as presented at last week's senate meeting, committee election results, the faculty appeals board, and the

- presentation made by Auxiliary Service on dining options on campus. Kazuschyk moved to approve this list of items to be included in the upcoming WEFMSK, pending revisions by Secretary Osborn. The motion was unanimously approved.
- 2. The next item of new business was **Broadcast Email.** The upcoming broadcast email may include the president's report, What Every Faculty Member Should Know (WEFMSK), and the IT Survey. Kazuschyk moved to include this list of items, pending revisions from President Tirone. The motion was unanimously approved.
- 3. The next item of new business was IT Centralization. Chief Information Officer Craig Woolley joined the meeting to share updates and discuss. He reported on the background and the progress of the IT Centralization project, which has been underway since March of 2025. The information he shared is all available on the LSU IT website:

 https://www.lsu.edu/its/about/centralization/initiative.php. There was discussion of the specific needs of the Ag Center and Res Life, varying needs of different departments, how other schools in the SEC are addressing IT centralization, and the overall goals of the project. Woolley expressed one of the goals as making things "the same or better" and ensuring support for individual researchers. An IT Survey will be forthcoming.

Presentations

4. **GAI executive Order, Craig Woolley, Chief Information Officer.** Woolley shared that the order from the governor's office includes two main points: 1. The CIO of every university must establish policies on Generative Artificial Intelligence (GAI). LSU IT is working on a draft policy and will hold meetings with the LSUIT committee and the Office of Academic Affairs to revise the draft. 2. No one may procure anything that has AI in it until December 15. IT is reaching out to the governor's office for further clarification regarding this point. There was discussion on policies and compliance. Further discussion will take place in the Faculty Senate IT committee. FSEC would like to invite Woolley to present to the full senate at the November or December meeting.

Kazuschyk made a motion to adjourn at 10:23 am.

Respectfully Submitted, Kyla Kazuschyk, Member-at Large