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### SDSU SEC Agenda

March 16, 2021

[Online via Zoom](#)

2:00 to 4:30 pm

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Preciado, Marx, Holt, Atterton, Brooks, Barbone, Abdel-Samad, Wills, Rhodes, Alkebulan, Hopkins, Wheeler, Fuller, Gontz, Csomay, Espinosa, Weston, Balsdon, Ochoa, Butler Byrd, Ryan,

Campus Guests: Luke Wood, Scott Walter, Gregorio Ponce, Adrienne Vargas, Greg Wilson, Stefan Hyman, Lawson Hardrick III, Tyler Rogers, Eddie West, Adrienne Fusek, Mary Darling, Gener Abdon, Henry Villegas, Victor Nava

Off-Campus Guests- Damita Myers-Miller, Andrew Pierson, Leila Kerkendoll, and about 35 additional community guests.

#### 1. Call to Order, Land Acknowledgement, and Principles of Shared Governance:

Land Acknowledgement: Chair Weston reads SDSU land acknowledgement statement.

We stand upon a land that carries the footsteps of millennia of Kumeyaay people. They are a people whose traditional lifeways intertwine with a worldview of earth and sky in a community of living beings. This land is part of a relationship that has nourished, healed, protected and embraced the Kumeyaay people to the present day. It is part of a world view founded in the harmony of the cycles of the sky and balance in the forces of life. For the Kumeyaay, red and black represent the balance of those forces that provide for harmony within our bodies as well as the world around us.

As students, faculty, staff and alumni of San Diego State University we acknowledge this legacy from the Kumeyaay. We promote this balance in life as we pursue our goals of knowledge and understanding. We find inspiration in the Kumeyaay spirit to open our minds and hearts. It is the legacy of the red and black. It is the land of the Kumeyaay.

Eyay e'Hunn My heart is good.

Michael Miskwish – Kumeyaay

Principles of Shared Governance: Chair Weston reads shared governance principles statement.

Trust is recognized as a fundamental ingredient that is essential for effective shared governance. Without trust, the practices of partnership, inclusion, open communication, ownership, and accountability are likely to break down. SDSU community members have identified three key principles for shared governance at SDSU that all rely on the fundamental ingredient of TRUST: Respect, Communication, Responsibility.

#### 2. Approval of Agenda (Preciado)

Preciado/Butler Byrd moved approval of the agenda with the noted time certain requirements.  
Agenda is approved without objection.

3. Officers Report

3.1. Referrals Chart (Butler-Byrd).....3

Vice Chair Butler Byrd reported on progress to update tracking document's 50 items. Recent efforts have reduced the number of items to 45. The vice chair thanked committee chairs for their efforts. ASCSU Senator Csomay inquired about referrals for Global Campus and approval of mirrored programs. Chair Weston clarified that the agenda packet was created with an image of the tracking document and it may not be up-to-date. Vice Chair Butler Byrd reminded SEC of staffing challenges in the Senate Office. CBL Chair Atterton inquired about the SDSU IVC student representative referral and the item on the agenda packet. Senate Chair Weston clarified that referral and the new item were not in conflict from a process point of view, but that timeliness of the agenda item to meet the requirements for a bylaw amendment was a factor in having two tracks of consideration.

3.2. Senate Budget Update (Fuller)

Treasurer Fuller indicated that there have been no updates since the budget request was submitted in November VP Wong-Nickerson.

3.3. SEC Minutes (Preciado) Please review minutes at this University Senate [link](#)

Approval of January 19, 2021 and February 16, 2021 SEC Minutes

Preciado/Marx move approval of SEC minutes for January 19 and February 16. SEC minutes are approved without objection.

4. Academic Affairs Report

4.1. Provost's Report (Ochoa) (Dean Scott Walter-New Library Resource)

Provost Ochoa has been working with Committee on Academic Policy and Planning to address ongoing concerns for faculty with tenured and tenure track appointments and the review process for Fall 21. Provost reported on the development of the Fall 21 schedule and the need to support colleges and departments to meet instructional needs in response to the social distancing considerations. New budget proposals will be considered as part for the Fall 21 schedule such as reducing class size for all RWS 100 courses. This is to mitigate the impacts of the pandemic on incoming students that have been impacted by the change in high school teaching modality and support. Also, the University seeking to utilize Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund (HEERF) funding to support General Studies 100 courses for all incoming first year students and expanding Supplemental Instruction. Provost welcomed Dean Scott Walter from the Library to share details of new resource for library. He indicated that additional information will be provided to sciences and humanities faculty to learn more details about the resource. Senators Csomay and Marx requested clarity in repopulation of faculty offices on state buildings and Research Foundation facilities including Alvarado for research activity? Provost Ochoa indicated that he would follow up with AVP Jessica Rento to request that she consider this new opportunity.

SDSU Library Dean Scott Walter provided a presentation on the Center for Research Libraries-Global Research Network. Please review Dean Walter's presentation at this [link](#).



4.2. SDSU Imperial Valley - Dean Gregorio Ponce **Time Certain 2:30pm**

Dean Gregorio Ponce described ongoing efforts to inform the University Senate on progress made to advance SDSU Imperial Valley. A request was made to create time at an upcoming meeting of the University Senate to inform the body. Associate Dean Wheeler pointed to developments including the inclusion of SDSU Imperial Valley Associated Students as voting members on the SDSU University Senate as an example of those developments.

5. Senate Actions (Weston)

5.1. AP&P Consideration of Emergency Situations in Making Decisions Regarding Promotion and Tenure for Faculty (DJ Hopkins).....8

Chair D.J. Hopkins considered the revision to the University Policy file related to retention, tenure and promotion. The policy file item is added to the Senate agenda without objection.

5.2. Graduate Council **Time Certain 3:30pm** (Ed Balsdon).....9

Graduate Dean Balsdon presented the need to extend the waiver on the use of the GRE and GMAT for graduate admissions. In August 2020 the Senate approved the suspension of the use of tests for Spring 20 and Fall 21. The action from the Graduate Council is to extend the temporary suspension of the GRE or GMAT for another year with one caveat. Programs that would like to continue to use GRE or GMAT can do so as program level requirement. These details require broad communication with departments and schools and prospective students. The item is added to the agenda without objection.

5.3. UR&P Shared Governance Strategies & Guiding Principles for Budget (Sherry Ryan).....10

Chair Ryan provided an overview of the information responsive to a Senate Officer referral from summer 2020. The charge was to research budget decision process and develop guiding principles and to develop a budget communication process to support the campus community. Item will be presented to the University Senate as information vs. an action item. Senator Wheeler asked a question about how this CUR&P process will be shared with the Senate. Chair Ryan indicated the need to work with Senate Officers to determine steps forward. The item is added to the agenda as information with the opportunity to seek the endorsement of the University Senate. The item was added to the agenda without objection.

5.4. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee 2022-2023 University Catalog (Steve Barbone).....32

CCE Chair Barbone presented new minor (from three colleges) and deletion of emphasis on European Humanities with the upcoming update to a Global Humanities major. The action item will be presented at the University Senate without objection.

5.5. GE General Education Committee (Heather Canary & Gregory Wilson).....34

Co-Chair Wilson presented new G.E. courses for consideration by the University Senate as noted in the agenda packet. Senator Atterton inquired about a new course for Area E. Co-Chair Wilson provided a brief discussion of the GE committee’s diligence noting the conformity of the course with Life-Long Learning Area E requirements.

5.6. Approval for Emeritus Status for April Senate. (Anderson,Weston).....37

Chair Weston for (Anderson) nomination of a lecturer faculty to be awarded emeritus status. The item was added to the agenda without objection.

5.7. Registration Sequence (AVP Hyman & AVP Brooks).....82

AVP Hyman presented a proposal to update the registration priority list in the policy file. The change is needed to improve registration and student success outcomes for transfer students. This is part of pilot initiative between Enrollment Services and New Students and Parent Programs for transfer students. Item is added to the April 6 agenda packet without objection.

5.8. Add Imperial Valley AS representatives to Senate (Lawson Hardrick, Luke Wood).....83

SDSU Imperial Valley AS President Hardrick presented a new proposal to add four ex-officio voting seats (3 undergrads and 1 grad) from among the students enrolled at SDSU Imperial Valley to the SDSU University Senate. This would resolve a 60-year absence of representation or continued disenfranchisement. VP Wood described how this initiative aligns with the two goals of the SDSU Strategic Plan We Rise/We Defy. Chair Weston explained the need to create two paths of review. The first is a formal referral that was made to the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws by Vice Chair Butler Byrd. The second path is the University Senate’s process to change the bylaws and the fact that there are two only meetings left in the academic year that would allow the bylaws to be changed before the summer recess. Chair Atterton requested clarification regarding process. AS President Holt expressed a concern about the lack of consultation with his office and the SDSU Associated Students about SDSU Imperial Valley student representation on the University Senate. Item is added to the agenda with the requirement that CBL provide input including possible new language by the April 6, 2021 University Senate meeting. There was no objection to adding the item with the stipulation.

6. Committee Reports

6.1. CFA Report Collective Bargaining Agreement (Mounah Abdel-Samad).....38

CFA President Mounah Abdel-Samad stated “bargaining is taking place, we got an extension for one year, so CFA and the CSU system are bargaining, so please expect more updates coming your way soon and I am happy to take any questions if there are any.” Item will be added to the agenda for April 6, 2021.

6.2. Academic Policy & Planning (DJ Hopkins).....39

Chair Hopkins introduced two items related to approving mirrored programs for the SDSU Imperial Valley and SDSU Global Campus. Andrew Bohanok and Mark Wheeler contributed to the development of the procedure and revisions of the policy. Chair Weston requested to add the item for action to the April 6 University Senate meeting. The item is approved to be added on the agenda without objection.



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- 6.3. Graduate Council 1st Informational Report **Time Certain 3:30pm** (Steven Gill).....43  

Dr. Gill presented Graduate Council course and program revisions. The item will be added to the April 6 agenda packet without objection.
- 6.4. Graduate Council 2nd Informational Report **Time Certain 3:30pm** (Steven Gill).....46  

Dr. Gill presented Graduate Council 16 new courses. The item will be added to the April 6 agenda packet without objection
- 6.5. Diversity Equity and Inclusion Committee (Gloria Rhodes).....57  

Chair Rhodes invited questions to the two items listed in the agenda packet.
- 6.6. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee 2022-2023 University Catalog (Steve Barbone).....58  

Chair Barbone invited questions to the course and program items listed in the agenda packet.
- 6.7. URAD report (Adrienne Vargas).....79  

Vice President for Development Darling shared that the University has raised 80 million of its 100 million goal for the year. The listing of development outcomes for the month is in the agenda packet ([link here](#); Page 79)
- 7. New Business
  - 7.1 Resolution from SDSU African American Alumni - Building Naming Proposal (Dr. Damita Myers-Miller, President AAAC) **Time Certain 3:00 pm**.....64  

Dr. Myers Miller read the resolution ([see agenda packet; Page 64](#)) on behalf of the SDSU African American Alumni Chapter to recognize the academic and political achievements of Shirley Weber, Ph.D., Professor Emerita of Africana Studies by renaming the College of Arts and Letters Building in her honor. VP Luke Wood noted a prohibition in the CSU Trustee Policy that does not permit this honorary naming. He indicated that the Trustees can grant an exception. He also shared that the System is developing new policy that will be released later in the year. VP Adrienne Vargas described that there are a number of requests seeking non-monetary or honorary recognition. There is an opportunity cost in making the College of Arts and Letters building unavailable as a naming opportunity as part of the development function to seek a major philanthropic gift. Past Chair Wheeler clarified that adding the item to the agenda was not a specific adoption or endorsement by the SEC. The resolution was added to the agenda without objection.
  - 7.2 Resolution from Sustainability Committee (Eddie West, Tyler Rogers) **Time Certain 4:00pm**...72

Chair Rogers introduced resolution on Climate Conscious Business Travel. See the language at this [link](#) on page 74. The resolution will be presented for action at the April 6 University Senate meeting. Action was accepted without objection.

8. Announcements (Weston)
9. Adjourn