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THE PRESIDENT

MEMORANDUM

January 30, 2019

To: Marcie Bober-Michel, Chair
SDSU Senate

From: Adela de la Torre, President

I approve the following actions from the Senate meeting on December 4, 2018.

1. Item 7.1 Report of the Committee on Committees and Elections

The Senate approved recent member appointments to both Standing Committees and other committees and councils. Chair Vaughn especially focused on the Scholarships Committee—which is being reconstituted after a significant period of inactivity. She sees this Committee as a good fit for probationary faculty looking to build their service portfolios.

Chair Vaughn will work with AS liaisons to fill student positions on committees once the Spring semester gets underway.

2. Item 7.3 Report from Enrollment Services

The Senate approved the list of both undergraduate and graduate students who filed beyond the deadline for Fall graduation; those students did not appear on earlier lists that faculty were asked to approve.

3. Item 7.4 Report from the Committee on Faculty Affairs

The Senate approved a revision to the policy covering *validation* (UNIVERSITY POLICIES → Faculty → Personnel Files). Chair Imazeki spoke specifically to the conflict between and among the Policy File, validation practices and processes that have grown over time within specific Colleges, and the union contract itself (Provision 15.12). Committee members believe that revisions to the Policy File would help to reduce, if not fully eliminate, the extensive and invasive vetting of faculty materials that has a chilling effect on probationary faculty in particular.

Original language

Departments and schools are responsible for validating the WPAF before it is released for evaluation. Validation insures that files are complete and accurate, and that items included in the WPAF exist and are properly identified. The designee for the validation process shall be the department or school peer review committee or the department chair or director.

Approved language

The department or school peer review committee or the department chair or school director shall be responsible for assisting candidate to prepare files that are complete, containing all information required for review, with items properly identified.

Approve = 25; No = 11; Abstain = 4

4. Item 7.5 Report from the Committee on Faculty Honors and Awards



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The Senate approved emeritus status for the following faculty:

Linda Locklear, Lecturer of American Indian Studies 30 years.

Patricia Cue Couttolenc, Associate Professor of Art and Design, December 30, 2018, 10 years.

Gun Joh, Associate Professor of Accountancy, December 29, 2018, 30 years.

Bruce Harley, Librarian, December 29, 2018, 28 years.

Kotaro Nakamura, Professor of Art and Design, June 30, 2019, 23 years.

Marjorie F. Olney, Professor of Administration, Rehabilitation, and Postsecondary Education, August 21, 2019, 17 years.

5. Item 7.6 Report from the Committee on General Education Curriculum and Assessment

The Senate approved the following new courses.

Chair **Sha** noted that the report below features the last classes to “qualify” for the 2019/20 General Catalog.

GEN S 147. Data Literacy: Human Choices Behind the Numbers (3) [GE] (II. Foundations of Learning → A. Natural Sciences and Quantitative Reasoning → 4. Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning). *New course.*

CAL 222. Art, Sport, and Culture in Contemporary Brazil (3) [GE] (II. Foundations of Learning → C. Arts and Humanities → 2. Humanities: History, Languages other than English, Literature, Philosophy, Religious Studies). *New course.*

AFRAS 102. An Afrocentric Response to Generational Trauma (3) [GE] (III. Lifelong learning and Self-Development). *New course.*

DANCE 281. Dance, Popular Culture, and Identity (3) [GE] (III. Lifelong learning and Self-Development). *New course.*

HIST 455. Digital History (3) [GE] (IV. Explorations of Human Experience → C. Humanities). *New course.*

6. Item 7.7 Report of the Graduate Council

The Senate approved the following new degrees:

Master of Science Degree in Meeting and Event Management (offered through the College of Extended Studies). This program is designed for upwardly mobile industry professionals desiring additional professional and advanced education to proceed to the next level of leadership as a director, general manager, or senior leader within a meeting and event context.

Master of Science Degree in Cybersecurity Management in Management Information Systems. This program readies students for a senior position in cybersecurity risk management across all private industries and public sectors.

7. Item 7.8 Report of the Committee on Undergraduate Curriculum

The Senate approved the one item on the report – a new basic certificate (within the College of Arts & Letters) in Brazilian Studies.