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### SDSU SEC Agenda

July 21, 2020

Online Location to be Distributed via Email

2:00 to 4:30 pm

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

##### Land Acknowledgement

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:

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 (Weston)
3. Approval of June 4 Expanded SEC Minutes (Weston)
4. Academic Affairs Report (Ochoa)



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- 4.1. Budget Report (Wong-Nickerson)
- 4.2. Overview and Outlook for SDSU (de la Torre)
- 5. Senate Actions (Weston)
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- 6. Announcements (Weston)
- 7. Adjourn.



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In accordance with Senate policy, lists of baccalaureate degree candidates for May and August 2020 graduation have been distributed.

Lists of candidates for advanced degrees, as approved by the Graduate Council, have also been distributed. Each faculty member has been given the opportunity to approve or disapprove the candidates by ballot: a total of 43 ballots were received.

The following student applied late and does not appear on any list:

<b>Christian Vance Banke</b>	<b>BA</b>	<b>Sociology</b>
<b>Nicholas Leland Mitchell</b>	<b>BA</b>	<b>Interdisciplinary Studies in Three Departments</b>
<b>Masahiro Aaron Yamamoto</b>	<b>BA</b>	<b>International Business-Japanese and Asia</b>

It is requested that the Senate, subject to completion of degree requirements, approve all candidates for baccalaureate and advanced degrees.

Date: 6 July 2020  
To: Senate Officers, Senate Executive Committee (SEC), and the Senate  
From: D.J. Hopkins, Chair, Academic Policy and Planning Committee  
Subject: Revocation of Emeritus Status

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The Academic Policy and Planning Committee (AP&P) received a referral from Senate officers June 20120. The committee was asked to consider introducing a policy whereby Emeritus status could be revoked with cause. Other campuses within the California State University (CSU) system already have such a policy, but the CSU does not have a system-wide policy.

Policy language was developed by members of AP&P, with reference to similar policies at peer institutions.

Emeritus status may be revoked for cause at any time by the President upon recommendation of a vote of the Senate. Revocation may occur when it is determined that an individual's conduct, before or after Emeritus status has been granted, causes harm to the University's reputation. Any member of the Senate, the Provost, or the President may initiate the revocation process through the Senate Executive Committee (SEC). The Emeritus faculty under review shall have the opportunity to defend their case in writing to the Senate through the SEC.

This proposed policy was approved with no opposition by an email vote of AP&P, with all current members of the committee participating.

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To: University Senate Executive Committee

From: David Marx, Chair, Committee on Committees and Elections (CCE)

Re: Action Item to appoint faculty representatives to the Global Affairs Council (GAC)

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**Action Item :** The Committee on Committees and Elections moves to appoint the following 14 faculty members as representatives to the Global Affairs Council. All terms are for 3 years unless otherwise noted (Fall 2020 to Spring 2023).

**Faculty Representation:**

1. Gregorio Ponce – Dean of SDSU Imperial Valley
  2. Adisa Alkebulan – CAL\*
  3. Yea-Wen Chen – PSFA
  4. Huma Ghosh – CAL
  5. Sarah Garrity- College of Education
  6. Thierry Devos - College of Sciences
  7. Erika Larkins – CAL
  8. Andrew Wiese – CAL
  9. Mark Ballam – CBA
  10. Sera Hernandez - College of Education
  11. Zohir Chowdhury – HHS
  12. David Engstrom – HHS
  13. Mei Zhong – PSFA
  14. Temesgen Garoma – College of Engineering (**Fall 2020 to Spring 2021**).
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**Information Item:**

Cristina Alfaro, Associate Vice President for Global Affairs is the ex officio member and chair of the Global Affairs Council. She has appointed the following administrators in accordance with the policy file requirements.

**Administrative Appointments**

1. Noah Hansen – Director, International Student Center
2. Radhika Seshan – Dean of World Campus
3. Stefan Hyman – Associate Vice President, Enrollment Services
4. Halil Guven – Dean of SDSU Georgia
5. Adrienne Vargas – Vice President of University Advancement
6. Feion Villados – Chair, Equity Professors—Division of Student Affairs and Campus Diversity

The Associated Students and the Staff Affairs Committee will make recommendations for their representatives to the GAC via the CCE in the coming weeks.

**Senate Resolution in support of SDSU students affected by changes in immigration policy:**

**Resolved:** That the Faculty, Staff and Administration of San Diego State University will support and assist students to complete their degrees if their education is disrupted by changes in immigration policy.

**Rationale:** Changes in immigration policy have the potential to disrupt some of our students' ability to complete their education by, for example, preventing students from attending class, undermining their economic security, or changing their familial obligations. The uncertainty surrounding immigration policy is disruptive and stressful, and changes in immigration policies affecting our students' families may also interfere with our students' ability to complete their classes.

This resolution complements pledges by CSU and SDSU administrations to supporting new or transferring international students by providing academic guidance and a safe, welcoming campus environment. Chancellor Timothy White has specifically affirmed the CSU's responsibility to international students regardless of their legal status and has publicly stated the CSU's support for international students.

The Associate Vice President for International Affairs has mobilized campus resources to provide guidance, academic advising, and counseling services to students affected by changes in immigration policy. President de la Torre has also suggested that faculty include language on their syllabi that reaffirm the CSU's commitment to "protecting access, affordability, intellectual freedom, inclusivity, and diversity for all students" regardless of immigration status.

As educators and members of an educational community, we are dedicated to the success of all of our students. It is the intent of this resolution to provide our international students with some reassurance that we support them and will help them complete their degrees even if changes to federal immigration policy disrupt their education.

**Context:**

On July 14, 2020, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) agreed to rescind the guidance issued by the Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) on July 6, 2020, which would have banned nonimmigrant F-1 and M-1 students attending schools operating entirely online from remaining in the U.S. while taking a full online course load.

In her statement of support dated June 9, 2020, President de la Torre stated, "As the president of a diverse university with nearly 1,800 international students enrolled every year, I am deeply troubled by the updated U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) regulations. A growing number of organizations and leaders also oppose this decision, including elected officials, presidents and chancellors. It is clear that ICE has made a sudden and ill-conceived decision. The Presidents' Alliance, of which I and SDSU are members, has invited its members to join an amicus brief in support of a federal lawsuit against the updated ICE guidelines. Today, I signed in support of litigating."

DHS ultimately rescinded the Fall 2020 guidance in response to a lawsuit from Harvard University & the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), and widespread backlash, and reverted back to the guidance issued in March.