

**SCSU Faculty Senate President's Report - FS Meeting April 1, 2020**

**I look forward to seeing you at the meeting tomorrow. Your presence is very important so that we will have a quorum in order to approve our resolutions.**

**Important information for the meeting**

Prior to the meeting, please review the resolutions for the meeting in Channels. As a reminder clicking on any Channel will take you to the Posts and Files (on the top of the screen) for that resolution. After you have reviewed the information in the Files, please enter any questions or comments you may have in the Posts section. Posts is a thread of ongoing commentary. You may respond to anyone's post or question by clicking Reply. For example, if you open the Bylaws Channel, under Posts you will see an exchange between Walter Stutzman and Robert Gregory. To the extent that you have presented your comments and asked your questions prior to the meeting, the meeting will be able to run more smoothly.

We have a total of three resolutions on the table for our meeting in order of their presentation.

**Resolutions #1 and 2 - Revision of Constitution and Bylaws**

Please review the documents in the Bylaws and Constitution Channels under Files. For both the Constitution and Bylaws there are three versions, 1) current, 2) new with Track Changes, and 3) new (clean copy). Address any questions or comments in the Posts section prior to the meeting so that the Chair of Rules will have an opportunity to respond to the questions. Within the Posts section is also a poll for a vote to be taken when we are ready to vote. Please locate this prior to the meeting, so that you will know what to do when we are ready to vote.

These documents were sent to you on 2/24 for review. Following approval of these documents, a FS referendum will be needed for the Constitution. *Please note that these documents complement each other and although they will be voted on separately, they cannot be implemented until both have been approved. The reason for this is that the Rules Committee did a great deal of work to align the documents according to Robert's Rules in terms of what should be in a Constitution and Bylaws. We had much content that had been in the wrong documents. This has been corrected in these versions. Therefore, the previous version of the Bylaws will not align with the new version of the Constitution and vice versa.*

**Resolution #3 - Faculty Senate Resolution on CBA Travel Funds for 2020-2021**

This wording of this resolution is unchanged from previous years with the exception of updating the year.

## Updates

1. *Conducting business during the remainder of the semester* - Please reserve the usual timeslot of Wednesdays from 12:10-2pm for Senate business for the remainder of the semester. Please see the Senate website for the dates of the full Senate and standing committee meetings. Most of the committees have decided to continue their business for the rest of the semester. If there is no business to act upon for a full-Senate meeting, it will be announced on the Monday before the meeting that the meeting is cancelled and the standing committees will have the option to hold an extra meeting during that time.

### 2. *Digital evaluation file update*

Faculty who had originally selected the digital file submission for renewal who are utilizing BB9 Organizations will have no change to the procedures that had initially been set up. To date, all has gone smoothly with this process.

Faculty who had originally selected paper file submission for renewal (about 25 faculty) are required to submit digital files due to the abrupt closure of the campus and the fact that the paper files were no longer available to the reviewers. These faculty members are utilizing BB9 Courses to submit their files. Given the circumstances, CSCU and AAUP signed an MOU to offer these faculty an extended calendar that would give them more time to upload materials. Four faculty members decided to avail themselves of the extended calendar which affords them about another two weeks to complete their digital files.

I would like to thank these faculty members for their understanding of the situation and their positive attitudes in making the change. I'd also like to thank the Chairs as well as Maryanne Boyen who were very helpful in assisting me in compiling a list of these faculty so that the options could be presented to them.

### 3. *Travel Funds*

<b>Available Faculty Travel Funds as of: March 30, 2020 (for 4-1-20 Meeting)</b>				
<b>Fund</b>	<b>Starting Balance</b>	<b>Spent</b>	<b>Encumbered</b>	<b>Balance</b>
<b>FT "AAUP" Travel</b>	329,387.78	110,549.82	131,449.14	<b>87,388.82</b>
<b>PT "AAUP" Travel</b>	35,505.07	26,744.94	9,787.22	<b>-1,027.09</b>
<b>Creative Activity</b>	85,000.00	70,000.10	13,435.84	<b>1,564.06</b>

<b>Status of AY 2019-2020 Faculty Senate Resolutions</b>					
<b>Number</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Resolution regarding...</b>	<b>For</b>	<b>Disposition</b>	<b>Comments (abbrev.)</b>
F-2019-01	9/28/19	Digital Evaluation File Implementation	Approval	Approved	
F-2019-02	11/13/19	Revisions to the P&T Procedures Document	Approval	Approved	
F-2019-03	12/4/19	Revision of Grade Appeal Procedure and Form	Approval	Approved	
S-2020-04	2/26/20	Material Benefits to Retiring Faculty	Approval	Approved	
S-2020-05	3/25/20	Pass-Fail Option for Students	Approval	Approved	
S-2020-06	3/25/20	Course Withdrawals and Incompletes	Approval	Approved	
S-2020-07	3/25/20	Faculty Choice - Student Opinion Surveys	Approval	Approved	
S-2020-08	3/25/20	Authorizing FS EC to Act	Approval	Approved	
S-2020-09	3/25/20	Faculty Creative Activity Research Grants	Approval	Approved	