

SCSU Faculty Senate President's Report – April 16, 2025, meeting

1) Faculty Senate Announcements –

- **Nominations for Faculty Senate President and Faculty Senate Treasurer for AY 25-26.** Our 4/16 meeting will be the first call for nominations, 4/30 will be the second call, and 5/7 will be the vote. Our Elections Officers will lead the nomination process. A reminder that the term limit for Faculty Senate President is three consecutive one-year terms. AY 24-25 is my third consecutive one-year term.

2) Fiscal Impacts / State Budget / University Budget –

- **The 2025 legislative session:** Please continue to closely attend to announcements related to this item. The 2025 legislative session is underway and advocacy for fiscal support for the CSUs remains at the forefront of our efforts. A reminder that the last day of the session is **Wednesday, June 4, 2025.**
- A reminder that the next university budget meeting is **Meeting #2 – Friday, May 2, 11am.** Thank you to those members of the Faculty Senate Finance Committee and our Faculty Senate representatives to the University Budget Committee who were able to attend the first meeting earlier this month.
- **The ACT Framework and related KPIs:** Following feedback from senators at our 2/26 meeting, the Executive Committee and I prepared additional details within the draft of the Goals and shared this with our Provost on 2/28, 3/10, 3/11, and 3/14. My understanding is that the Faculty Senate voted to “provisionally accept” the version shared at the 2/26 meeting, and it has been clarified with me by senators that the intent to “provisionally accept” is not to be interpreted as support or endorsement for its content and wording at that time. **The final draft of both the external and internal goals and KPIs from Provost Irwin is included in the 4/16 meeting's packet for senate discussion.**

- 3) **Faculty Retraining Funds Report for AY 24-25 – as of 4/1/25.** Each year, there is a budget for AAUP Retraining. Similar to the Travel Funds report, the President's Report will strive to keep faculty informed about these funds now that the information is known. The relevant articles from the CBA are 9.12 and 9.13. It was clarified with SCSU-AAUP that only full-time faculty members are eligible for these funds.

Index	FY 2025 Budget	FY2025 Expenses	Prior year carryover	FY 2025 Balance
AUP790	\$10,154.00	\$ 0.00	\$86,212.04	\$96,366.04

- 4) ***Travel Funds Report for AY 24-25 – as of 2/10/25.*** Budget information below includes prior year carryover. “Encumbered” reflects those TA's processed and funds committed but does not include TA's that are in transit or pending in the Provost Office. FY 24 Carryover estimated still has encumbrances (FT - \$150,708.76, PT - \$15,592.86. Depending on what still needs to be paid, carryover amount could change.

Index	Description	FY 2025 Budget	FY2025 Expenses	FY2025 Encumbrances	FY 2025 Balance	Index	Estimated FY24 Carryover
AUP769	AAUP Conf Wrkshp & Travel FT - 2025	365,530.00	76,926.75	91,373.02	197,2230.23	AUP768	171,304.30
AUP772	AAUP Conf Wrkshp & Travel PT - 2025	40,614.00	14,369.91	6,203.10	20,040.99	AUP771	10,076.66
VPA017	Faculty CrActivity-RG	85,000.00	71,235.00	-	13,765.00	VPA017	-
VPA018	Faculty CrActivity-Travel	85,000.00	85,000.00	-		VPA018	-
Totals		576,144.00	247,531.66	97,576.12	\$231,036.22		181,380.96

5) ***Preparation for the 4/16/2025 meeting –***

- a) *Resolution Regarding Abstentions in the Promotion and Tenure (P&T) Committee* (unfinished business)– The Personnel Policy (PPC) will introduce this resolution which proposes to eliminate the option for abstentions by members of the P & T Committee and instead require members to cast their vote either to “recommend” or “not recommend.”
- b) *Resolution Regarding Automatic Reconsideration in the Promotion & Tenure (P&T) Process* (unfinished business)– The Personnel Policy (PPC) and I will introduce this resolution which proposes to expand the process of automatic reconsideration to include promotion candidates.
- c) *Resolution on CBS Travel Funds for AY 2025-2026* (unfinished business)– The Finance Committee will present these proposals which mirror the faculty travel allowances from AY 24-25.
- d) *Resolution Supporting the Administrative Faculty Senate And For The Calling For Standardized Inclusive Search Procedures For Senior Campus Leadership Positions* (unfinished business)– The Executive Committee will present this Resolution which seeks to endorse the recent Resolution passed by the Administrative Faculty Senate and signed by the University President.
- e) *Resolution Regarding Undergraduate Pass/Fail Policy* (new business)– The Academic Policy (APC) will introduce this resolution which proposes updates to the Undergraduate Pass/Fail Policy that are similar to the updates to the Graduate Pass/Fail Policy approved earlier this academic year.
- f) *Resolution Regarding Supplemental Department P&T Guidelines* (new (returning) business)– The Academic Policy (APC) will again introduce this resolution which proposes that departments may develop supplemental guidelines with certain conditions. This resolution was sent back to committee at our previous meeting for further revisions.

- 6) 2024-2025 – [Resolutions approved by Faculty Senate](#) – Updates on the resolutions and their status may be found on the FS website.
- *Resolution Regarding “W” Course Caps* – in addition to the updates described in the previous report, this resolution has since been “Disapproved” by the University President.