

Minutes of the Senate Executive Committee unscheduled meeting

Friday, November 3, 2023 @ 12:00 -2:00pm

New Education, R3023

Attendance: Chair Michael Carhart, Vice-Chair Corrin Gillis, Secretary Tatyana Lobova, Senator David Burdige, Senator Steve Hsiung, Senator Dennis Gregory, Senator Wie Yusuf, Senator Lucy Wittkower

- In response to the President Address this morning, ask the President what “long-term relationships” with Sentara exactly means and if new Sentara Health Insurance will have an impact on our insurance plan change.
- Change in the University Governance Hand Book Policy without going through the Senate.
 - The policy was changed by the University Counselor and approved by the Board of Visitors in 2001.
 - We need to draw a statement regarding approving a policy without Senate involvement.
 - Task Jennifer Moody to keep a spreadsheet for the policies changes and the dates of approval at each step and when it finally made it to the Catalog.
- DL Tech fee distribution scheme was changed in the HB without Senate involvement. Senate Cmte H will discuss it.
- Student Pride Rock exhibit antisemitic statement that potentially incites violence.
 - Executive Committee asked the President to make a condemnation statement against hate speech and violence. Genocidal speech is not protected under the Freedom of Speech and is unacceptable in general and in this particular case.
- CLRT situation brought up by the University Women Caucus. The decision was made without input of at-large faculty community while it has an impact on the entire university.