

CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, California 93407
ACADEMIC SENATE

MINUTES OF
The Academic Senate Executive Committee
Tuesday, September 25, 2001
UU218, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Preparatory: the meeting was opened at 3:10 p.m.

- I. Minutes: The minutes from the May 8, May 15, May 29, and June 5, 2001 Academic Senate meetings were tabled until the Academic Senate meeting scheduled for October 2 for approval.
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s):
- III. Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair: (Menon) President Baker will address important issues. Jack Robison has been appointed to serve on the Housing Committee. Resolution on Retention, Promotion, and Tenure will return to the Academic Senate with minor modification on feedback to be added by President Baker. Provost Zingg will address the issue of minimum number of units required to graduate.
 - B. President's Office: (Baker) Some of the main issues discussed included:
 - Budget** – This year \$360 million was requested from the Trustees but actual funding was less than \$250 million. With additional students, we are funded at full marginal costs of \$8800 per student minus financial aid. Compensation was reduced by legislature to 2% from the 6% requested. Cal Poly is right on target with the number of students. There has not been much progress with differential funding but the Chancellor has hired two consultants to work with Cal Poly on this issue. ASI is working on a referendum regarding fee increase for students.
 - Resolutions** - President Baker agrees with recently passed resolution on enrollment and explained that marginal cost is just barely adequate for lower cost programs with the biggest problem being faculty cost. The resolution dealing with Environment issues has been approved.
 - Housing** – first set of townhouses for faculty and staff will be available Summer 2003.
 - RTP** - Senate resolution on Retention Promotion and Tenure will be approved with the addition of a feedback component putting more emphasis on department and college feedback.
 - Computing** – Faculty needs to be clear on the rules regarding privacy and state computers. Faculty members need to be assured that the report on computing policy was not an attempt to search or monitor what is on a faculty's computer.
 - Calendar** – Meeting were held during Summer quarter to come up with a report that provides compelling reasons for whatever decision is made.
 - Terrorist events** - Due to the recent terrorist events of September 11, everyone is asked to be more alert. Several steps have been taken to address issues of tolerance and to raise the level of consciousness as well as a sense of vigilance and sensitivity towards students is needed at this time.
 - C. Provost's Office: (Zingg) Cal Poly is within four students off enrollment target with the base target for next year being 16,205. The target on continuing students was exceeding possibly due to the slowing economy. Cal Poly currently has 5300 students between on

and off campus housing including 30 at The Cliffs Hotel. This Fall, Cal Poly hired 48 new tenure-track faculty members, the most number of faculty members since 1989. There is a very strong expectation from the Chancellor's office to limit the number of units required for graduation to 180-quarter units even though a handful of programs have increased the number of units required. Assessment and accountability with the new program review process will include internal and external review. There are several events in honor of the Cal Poly's Centennial celebration taking place on campus this week.

- D. Statewide Senators: (Hood) Statewide Academic Senate met to discuss budget and the contract. (Gooden) The Statewide Academic Affairs Committee will re-address graduation requirements.
- E. CFA campus president: (Fetzer) the healthcare changes involving insurance coverage are not a union issue but one of Cal Pers. (Feroohar) CSU and CFA were unable to negotiate a contract by June 30 due to an impasse. CSU has cancelled several negotiating meetings with mediator. Major discussion issues include workload, compensation, year-round operations, lecturer's security, and the processing of grievances. The issue of computer use is making progress on campus and since this is an emerging area, that faculty members need to be informed and especially department chairs need to be very clear with part-time faculty on what is expected.
- F. ASI Representatives: ASI is out for a referendum to increase students' fees. A vote will go out mid-November.
- G. Other: none.

IV. Consent Agenda:

V. Business Items:

- A. **Academic Senate and University-wide committee vacancies:** The following appointments were made:
Change of Committee Chair – Harvey Greenwald will replace Stephen Kaminaka as Chair of the Budget and Long Range Planning Committee during Fall quarter.

University-wide Appointments:
Eldon Li Academic Council on International Programs
Myron Hood Athletics Governing Board
Dan Levi Cal Poly Plan Steering Committee
Kent Morrison Deans' Admissions Advisory Committee
Lynn Hamilton Information Resource Management Policy and Planning Committee

Del Dingus University Union Advisory Board
- B. **Selection of campus representative to the Academic Council on International Programs (ACIP):** Eldon Li, Management Area, was appointed to serve the 2001-2004 term.
- C. **Assigned time for Academic Senate officers and committee chairs:** 64 units of assigned time for the Senate officers were approved.
- D. **Resolution on Calendar System:** This resolution stating Cal Poly's position to remain on a quarter system was agreed.

- E. **Resolution on Department Name Change for Soil Science Department:** This resolution, requesting a name change, was agendized.
- F. **Resolution on Department Name Change for Psychology and Human Development Department:** This resolution, requesting a name change, was agendized.
- G. **Resolution of Commendation for Frank Lebens:** This resolution is presented in recognition of his many accomplishments and contribution as he retires, was agendized.

VI. Discussion Item (s):

VII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Submitted by:



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