

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

**MINUTES OF**  
**The Academic Senate**  
**Tuesday, October 2, 2001**  
**UU220, 3:00-5:00 p.m.**

Preparatory: the meeting was opened at 3:10 p.m. with a moment of silence for our country and victims of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attack.

- I. Minutes: The minutes for the Academic Senate meetings of May 8, May 15, May 29, and June 5, 2001 were approved without change.
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): none.
- III. Reports:
  - A. Academic Senate Chair: (Menon) a list indicating the status of the 13 resolutions passed by the Academic Senate during the 2000-2001 academic year was distributed. During the summer, the Academic Senate discussed the calendar issue and with the support of the Provost, the information on the attached resolution was obtained. The resolution on enrollment growth will be addressed again. President Baker provided a very detailed response; Myron Hood and Harvey Greenwald have agreed to review and advise us on how to formulate a response. Resolution on Retention, Promotion, and Tenure will return to the Academic Senate with minor modification on feedback to be added by President Baker. In addition, during the summer the Provost, President Baker, and Angie Hacker met to discuss ways to create more harmony between the University and the city. President Baker will be attending the Academic Senate on October 30 to discuss the budget and other topics. Provost Zingg and ITS Vice Provost Jerry Hanley are handling the faculty concern on computer privacy. The issue of decreasing the minimum number of units to 180 in order to graduate will come up sometime during the academic year. Trustee Goldwhite and Jackie Kegley, Chair of Statewide Academic Senate are expected to visit San Luis Obispo, and Jackie will address the topic of shared governance during her visit later this quarter.
  - B. President's Office: (Howard-Greene) wanted to pass along a sincere thanks to all who participated in the Founder's Celebration. The university is doing a number of things to address concerns such as student housing and student conduct. Good neighbor relations are very important for the university. President Baker published a letter in the Mustang Daily recognizing the trauma as a campus as well as the need for tolerance due to the September 11 attack. A study is being conducted by the California Council on Science and Technology to identify the factors that impede student participation in science, math, and other technical disciplines.
  - C. Provost Office: (Zingg) on behalf of President Baker thanked everyone who participated in the Centennial Celebration and the exemplary way that Cal Poly projected itself. Events like this gives us the opportunity to reflect on what we are all about – reason, respect, civility, and community. US News and World Report reported that Cal Poly ranked as one of the top 100 “most technologically wired” campuses. This Fall Cal Poly has about 17,700 students, which exceeds our target by 2%, but we will be funded to some extent for the excess. Cal Poly was under budgetary directives from the Chancellor's office not to come under enrollment target. The budget is an unresolved issue with \$5 million spent on compensation, energy cost, and other mandated cost. Housing has been identified, both on and off campus, for approximately 5,300 students. The resolution on the calendar issue will become part of the overall University response to be sent to Chancellor Reed around October 15, 2001. The reports from students and a super-majority of academic units indicates that the quarter calendar system is still the preferred system on this campus.

- D. Statewide Senators: (Gooden) a review of the Master Plan for Higher Education is ongoing, see CSU Statewide web page for details. [www.bss.sfsu.edu/cherny/dr-com.htm](http://www.bss.sfsu.edu/cherny/dr-com.htm). (Hood) The Statewide Academic Senate meeting scheduled for this week has been cancelled due to the September 11 attack. Presently contract and budget are the main subjects of discussion.
- E. CFA Campus President: (Fetzer) CFA has reached a settlement on Summer teaching, which has been pending for several years and by Summer 2003, all tenure faculty teaching will be on a 12 WTUs time base with some retroactive pay that may be available. Check out [www.polyunion.org](http://www.polyunion.org) for more details. The Responsible Computer Use issue will need clear guidelines for all faculty. In regards to Healthcare, Cal Poly is in a position of no choices for next year. (Foroohar) Negotiations thru mediation are continuing. There are currently five issues that the Chancellor's office is not even considering including workload, compensation, year-round operations, lecturer's security, and the processing of grievances. The rural health care issue which would have helped us at SLO, is not a bargaining issue for CFA, therefore it is up to PERS to decide.
- F. ASI Representative: (Love) Leigh announced that she has been promoted to Vice President of Internal Affairs for ASI and introduced Sandy Kipe the interim student representative to the Academic Senate, who mentioned that ASI will be conducting a referendum to increase the student fee. An open forum on calendar conversion will be held October 3.
- G. Other:
  - a) Mary Peracca, Alcohol and Drug Specialist at Cal Poly, since last March discussed some of her services that include Alcohol and Drug services to students either mandated or volunteer. Peracca performs an intervention and assessment and creates a plan. Peracca also provides faculty and staff in service training to teach them how to identify student with substance use or other abuse situation.
  - b) George Lewis, the Senate representative to the Search Committee for Vice President of Student Affairs, mentioned that the search committee for the Vice President for Student Affairs identified three finalists but none of them accepted, therefore, a search firm would be retained to assist with this process.
  - c) Anny Morrobel-Sosa, There is a need for faculty volunteers to help coordinate activities for students and the community and also to define individuals who are able to address questions that still lingers on students regarding the peace/war uncertainty. Any information on individuals with expertise on these areas should be forwards to [amorrob@calpoly.edu](mailto:amorrob@calpoly.edu). Some students, particularly in resident halls and are willing to participate every Wednesday at noon. There is meeting in 33-185 to discuss upcoming activities.

IV. Consent Agenda: The following business items were moved to the consent agenda since they are not controversial.

- B. Resolution on Department Name Change for Soil Science Department**
- C. Resolution on Department Name Change for Psychology and Human Development Department**
- D. Resolution on Commendation for Frank Lebens**

M/S/P to move business items B, C, and D to consent agenda and they were approved.

V. Business Items:

**Resolution in Response to the Terrorist Attacks of September 11, 2201:** Harvey Greenwald and Myron Hood introduced as first reading. M/S/P to move resolution to second reading.

The following Resolved clauses were introduced by Harvey Greenwald and withdrawn due to the lack of support:

RESOLVED: That the Provost, Chair of the Academic Senate, Vice President for Student Affairs, and President of ASI meet with representatives of those groups who have been harassed, intimidated or otherwise harm as a result of the events that occurred on September 11, and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Provost, Chair of the Academic Senate, the Vice President for Student Affairs, President of ASI take appropriate action to ensure that no member of the Cal Poly community suffers harassment, intimidation, or other harm as a result of the events that occurred on September 11.

Gooden introduced a new Whereas which failed because there was no second.

WHEREAS: This abominable event/attack has served some as a motivation for further acts of retroviral terror, violence and insult on other innocent individuals and institutions.

The following friendly amendments were approved:

Title: Resolution in Response to the Terrorists' ~~Events~~ Attacks of September 11, 2001

Second Resolve: That the Academic Senate of Cal Poly ~~encourage and~~ commend members of the University community who have participated in the various charitable and memorial activities held in response to those events and encourage others to do likewise; and be it further

Third Resolve: That the Academic Senate of Cal Poly condemn the harassment, intimidation, or negative stigmatization of any individual or group of individuals because of those events, and ask that the Administration take ~~immediate~~ timely action to prevent and/or respond should any such acts take place at Cal Poly

M/S/P to approve resolution as amended.

A. **Resolution on Calendar System:** Menon, first reading. This resolution recommends that Cal Poly remain on a quarter system. M/S/P to move resolution to a second reading.

Friendly amendment to last Resolved: That the Academic Senate of Cal Poly request that the ~~University~~ President, Warren Baker, endorse the faculty decision and present the supporting evidence for remaining on the quarter system in his response to Chancellor Reed.

M/S/P to approve resolution with reports and additional summary. Approved unanimously.

- VI. Discussion Item (s): George Lewis mentioned that he appreciates Frank Leben's confidence and is pleased that the Academic Senate is honoring him with a commendation.
- VII. Adjournment: meeting was adjourned at 5 p.m.

Submitted by

  
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