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

MINUTES OF
The Academic Senate Executive Committee
Tuesday May 21, 2002
UU 220, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

Preparatory: the meeting was opened at 3:12 p.m.

I. Minutes: The minutes from the February 26, April 2, and April 30, 2002 Executive Committee meeting were approved as submitted.

II. Communications and Announcements: None.

III. Reports:

A. Academic Senate Chair Report: (Menon) Attended a CSU task force on enrollment growth meeting to facilitate "graduation rate" which is likely to become a performance metric for campuses. May need to create an incentive for graduation such as higher fees after a determined time. The Academic Senate Executive Committee has been invited to participate in a UDEC focus group, which will meet on Thursday, May 30 from 2-3pm in the Library room 510. Hellenbrand added that there are about 30 groups of 10-12 from around the campus who will be providing input in order to obtain a cross sampling of information on diversity issues. Menon also reminded everyone of the appreciation breakfast for all senators being hosted by the President and Provost this Friday at 8am at the Alumni House.

B. President's Report: None.

C. Provost's Report: (Zingg) The Senate Finance Committee has approved the section of Higher Education of the May revise that includes a $2 million cut for next year. The bad news is that we are looking at a mid-year budget of $15 million in benefits shortfall and $13 million in benefit related issues not funded at the moment, which will probably be passed down to the campuses. There is a serious virus problem on campus. Much effort is being directed toward a fix.

D. Statewide Senate: None.

E. CFA: (Fetzer) The Board of Trustees has signed the contract and the 2% GSI is due June 1st.

F. ASI: (Kipe) The resolution on College Based Fee Allocation was passed to make sure that fee increases take effect exactly as advertised. The resolution on University Budget Cuts came from a committee formed by ASI to discuss the budget. It was decided that the most important thing is that academic quality is not sacrificed. The resolution also provides some ideas on where to cut costs. Love added that each department has created a committee that deals with fee increases and reports to the College Council. The Council should assume the role of making accountability reports to students. The overall goal is to improve educational quality. On the issue of civility, Menon mentioned that three faculty members would participate in collaborating with students to look at the situation but not necessarily for a solution. Detweiler, who would like to collaborate with faculty and students, suggested that Cal Poly follows San Francisco method of positive rules by giving solutions and options to problems. Senators Ahern, DeTurris, and Devore wish to work with ASI to address the issue.

G. Other: (Kipe) reported that some classes are closed to everyone but majors. All classes should be open to everyone. GE classes should not be closed. If students find themselves closed out of a class, they should go to the Dean first then to the Provost. The Dean's Council will address this issue

IV. Consent Agenda: None.

V. Business Items:

A. **Academic Senate committee vacancies for 2002-2004:** The following appointments were made: Budget and Long-Range Planning Committee: Hal Johnston, Construction Management, will continue in place of Donna Duerk, Architecture.

Faculty Awards Committee: David Keeling, Chemistry & Biochemistry.
Research and Professional Development Committee: Ed Sullivan, Civil & Environmental Engineering, will continue as chair.

B. **Universitywide committee vacancies for 2002-2003:** The following appointments were made:

Cal Poly Plan Steering Committee:	Dan Levi, Psychology & Human Development.
Deans Admissions Advisory Comm.:	Mei-Ling Liu, Computer Science
	Kent Morrison, Math
Instructional Advisory Comm. on Computing:	Franz Kurfess, Computer Science

C. **Curriculum proposal for Name Change to NRM B.S. in Recreational Administration:** Hendricks. This resolution changes the Recreation Administration degree name to Recreation, Parks, and Tourism Administration to better reflect the academic preparation and careers pursued by students. This resolution was agendized for the next Academic Senate meeting.

D. **Resolution on Implementation of Information Competence:** Grimes, Task Force on Information Competence. This resolution is the result of the task force who worked together to endorsing the implementation process for "Information Competence Implementation Plan". This resolution was agendized for the next Academic Senate meeting.

E. **Selection of faculty members to serve as internal reviewers for engineering programs review:** The following faculty members were appointed:
For BRAE – Sema Alptekin, Industrial & Manufacturing Engineering
For MATE – Ron Brown, Physics
For CompSci – Kent Morrison, Math
For Aero Engr – Estelle Basor, Math
For IME – Ken Solomon, Bioresources and Ag Engineering
For ArchE – Harvey Greenwald, Math
For EE – Jay Devore, Statistics
For ENVE – Tom Ruehr, Earth & Soil Science
For CE – William Siembieda, City & Regional Planning

F. **Approval of faculty members to the General Education committees:** Ballots were collected and results will be forwarded to the Provost.

VI. Discussion Item(s):

A. **Modification of upper division admission requirements**: The Executive Committee unanimously approved the endorsement of the request from the Chancellor's Office to modify the requirements for admission as an upper-division transfer form 56 to 60 semester units or from 84 to 90 quarter units.

B. **Addition of emeritus senator to Academic Senate membership**: The Executive Committee approved that the Faculty Affairs Committee be charged with creating a mechanism of procedures to address this issue and return to the Academic Senate next year with a resolution/recommendation.

VII. Meeting adjourned at 4:57 pm.

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