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MINUTES OF
The Academic Senate
Tuesday, December 2, 2003
UU220, 3:00 to 5:00 pm

- I. Minutes: None.
- II. Communications and Announcements: (Hood) requested that the body suspend the rules in order to consider a special resolution of commendation for Provost Zingg M/S/P to suspend rules. M/S to approve resolution by acclamation.
- III. Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair: None.
 - B. President's Office: (Baker) **Budget** – The Governor intends to make a statewide mid-year cut of \$3 billion with the CSU's portion being just under \$24 million for the remainder of the fiscal year of which \$11.3 million is unallocated. The impact of this cut on our campus would be in the range of \$700,000 to \$750,000 for the current year and about \$1.5 million for next year, therefore, if this is all we receive for next year, the news is good since the state is looking at a significant deficit for the coming year. Contingency plans will be in place in order to avoid being caught in a situation that could have been eased with some planning. The next indication of what will happen to our budget will occur when the January budget is released. The Board of Trustees has put forward a budget, which identifies the needs of the CSU and is based on the historic compact and partnership agreement with past governors. Among other things, it requests a 4% increase in faculty/staff compensation, a 3% enrollment increase and funds to backfill current-year budget cuts. The budget calls for a net increase of about \$550 million. **Enrollment** - While the budget provides for 3% enrollment growth, the CSU is currently planning for flat enrollment systemwide, and that could go down slightly if there are further reductions. Cal Poly is close to the revised enrollment target and the plan is for flat enrollment or a little below target given the fact that the budget is likely to be reduced again. **Capital Bond** – Proposition 55 was approved for placement on the March 2004 ballot by the legislature. This bond will provide capital funding to construct a new building for College of Architecture and Environmental Design and will set the stage for the planning and development of the Science and Mathematics building as well. It's important to explain to all of Cal Poly the meaning of this bond to our campus. **Sustainability/LEEDS** - A response, endorsing the principles presented by the Academic Senate on the LEED certification resolution for Student Housing North, is in the works. The concept of sustainability is something that needs to be adopted within the university as a working principle on all projects in order to achieve sustainability at the highest feasible level in each case, applying standards such as those contained in LEED certification. Our previous Governor had stated the creation of statewide principles for life cycle cost on construction projects as a priority but not much has been done to enable their implementation. There are things that can be done up front with capital funding that would avoid long term operating cost. Would like to use our campus expertise to assist in LEED certification; particularly in the College of Architecture and Environmental Design. This will give us the ability to do our own work and some of our own certification in house since we have professionally registered people on campus. We would like to have the Senate organize a caucus for the faculty members who are already involved in various committees. That group

should periodically report to the Senate as well. Many of these faculty have specialized expertise with respect to sustainability and we would like to see us use these expertise to do our own certification. Facilities planning is addressing alternative transportation issues thru a detailed supplement to the circulation element of the master plan. One short-range issue being addressed by facilities planning includes the loss of H2 parking lot for construction of Engineering 4 building in the summer. **Faculty and Staff Housing** - There have been court actions on the first phase of faculty and staff housing due to challenges to the final project EIR by the neighbors. In a supplement to the final project EIR, Cal Poly has responded to several issues raised by the neighbors' suit that the judge deemed to have merit. The Trustees have approved the supplement to Cal Poly's EIR and we are awaiting final ruling on it by the Court. We have been working with the city of San Luis to ensure that adequate wastewater capacity exists for the long term Master Plan for Cal Poly. Construction of faculty and staff housing will begin during winter quarter with 72 units available in the first phase and about 140 available in the second phase. We want to have G, E & B on a solid financial basis, so it's particularly important to identify line item funding so that gaps can be closed. We want to focus on a better way of allocating funds to each college so that they have the ability to meet their needs. **Centennial campaign** - Cal Poly has reached the \$210 million mark out of the goal of \$225 million with unannounced gifts in the amount of \$19 million that have been received in the last couple of months. Last year over 28,000 gifts were received and \$37 million in pledges raised. There is no doubt that we will exceed our goal. The next step is to sustain the momentum and look at the needs of the university and how we put them together for the next program.

- C. Provost's Office: None.
- D. Statewide Senators: None.
- E. CFA Campus President: None.
- F. ASI Representatives: None.
- G. Other: Susan Opava, Dean of Research and Graduate Programs and Michael Manchak, Project Manager for Research and Graduate Programs, presenters on the Cal Poly Technology Park Initiative. This is a plan to establish a home on campus for private technology-based companies, for the purpose of deriving mutual benefit from this co-location and affiliation. One of the requirements of the project is that state funding will not be used; all moneys needed would be raised. A brief history: It originated as a grass roots effort in 1997 from a group that called itself the California Central Coast Research Partnership with two Cal Poly representatives and representatives from the private sector, Cuesta College, and local government. The presentation can be viewed by clicking on <http://www.calpoly.edu/~acadsen/documents/c3pr.pdf> .

- IV. Consent Agenda: None.
- V. Business Item(s): None.
- VI. Discussion Item(s): None.
- VII. Meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Submitted by,

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