I. Minutes: None.

II. Communications and Announcements:
A. ASI Resolutions passed May 26, 2004: Resolution on ASI advocates Gender Equity and Student Safety, Resolution to Review Fee Referenda Policy and Guidelines, Resolution on ASI Student Government Collaborative Representation. Please contact Blake Bolton if you have questions.

B. Presidential responses to Academic Senate resolutions for 2003-2004: are posted on the Academic Senate Website http://www.calpoly.edu/~acadsen/resolutions.html Please contact Dan Howard-Greene if you have any questions.

III. Reports:
A. Academic Senate Chair: (Hannings) Reports are to be short in order to have the opportunity to ask questions for clarification, but arrangements can be made if lengthy debate is desired. If you want to be recognized and placed on the speaker list, please hold up your nametag. The campus is initiating a search for a permanent Provost and each college has been solicited for faculty nominations which deadline is Friday, October 8, 2004. The Statewide Academic Senate produces a newsletter of interest for everyone. The URL will be e-mail to all senators tomorrow. Last year’s ASI president, Bob Detweiller, and other various people, interested in increasing participating, decided to provide students on committees with early registration, therefore, Academic Senate committee chairs are encouraged to keep track of attendance. Executive Order 918, Lower-Division Transfer Patterns by Major and Admission Priority, is now available in the Senate Office. Deans are encouraged to identify people from each program addressed to serve on this CSU project. Cornel Morton, Vice President for Student Affairs – The new dean of students position is not exclusively new to Cal Poly, it is essentially a student support role that links the University with the community and faculty as a resource. Resources to fund this position are the result of the revised budget reductions. No search was necessary for this position because it was a re-assignment.

B. President’s Office: (Howard-Greene) The President has the authority to make emergency appointments and since Cal Poly is in the closing months of a major fundraising campaign, President Baker felt it was necessary to make that appointment. This interim appointment, to replace Bill Boldt, is a 2-year appointment that will be addressed more formally with a full national search next year. President Baker’s fall conference remarks are now posted on the Cal Poly news web site. Several issues were identified that he felt were of particular urgency or high priority including advancement, capital projects, and faculty development.

C. Provost’s Office: None

D. Statewide Senators: (Hood) Statewide Senators had their first meeting the first week of September and this year a newsletter has been created to provide information to all campuses which should make reporting easier. (Menon) Statewide Senate meets with individual committee meetings this Friday. (Foroohar) The Statewide Faculty Affairs Committee is looking at several issues including a move statewide to transfer graduate programs into Extended Education, and a Bill in Sacramento called “Student Bill of Rights” which is basically
another form of restriction of academic freedom. There is also some discussion about formulating background checks of faculty to include fingerprinting. Also, there was a further discussion on CMS and its implementation.

E. CFA Campus President: (Foroohar) The current contract ends July 1, 2005 so negotiations for a new contract will begin March or April of 2005. Bargaining surveys are going out to all faculty in an attempt to collect the issues that are important to faculty such as salary. The local chapter of CFA is holding a RPT process training-session for all faculty members who are up for promotion and need information. Workshop will be held, Thursday, October 14 from 11-1 in Science North 53-213.

F. ASI Representatives: (Mednick) Blake Bolton, ASI President will give this week’s ASI report. (Bolton) Last weekend was Fall training for 75 new student leaders who participated in one of the three branches of student government such as the Board of Directors, Executive Staff, and University Union Advisory Board. Choice Campaign, which includes a survey will be sent to all students, via e-mail, to see what students want in the future of this campus, will take place between October 14 through 29. A community forum, sponsored by the San Luis Obispo County League of Women Voters will take place on October 26 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at the Chumash Auditorium and is open to the public. City council and mayoral candidates will attend and present their stand on local issues.

G. Other: Andrew Schaffner, Chair of the Instruction Committee. A resolution was brought to the Executive Committee regarding changes on the registration process and add/drop period. Provost Detweiler and Tom Zuhr informed the committee that changes are moving forward due to the time constrain, therefore the resolution was not agendized. The Instruction Committee was then charged with reviewing the proposed changes and identify any possible last minute changes. One potentially controversial issue, which the committee will follow up and monitor, involves e-permitting.

IV. Consent Agenda: None.

V. Business Item(s):

A. Resolution on Revision to the Bylaws of the Academic Senate to Update the responsibilities for the Research and Professional Development Committee: Giberti, Chair of the Research and Professional Development Committee. First reading. This resolution updates the responsibilities and charge of the committee by clarifying the language and deleting items that are obsolete. Resolution sent back to committee for further discussion.

B. Resolution on the Creation of a Standing Sustainability Committee: Greenwald, CSM senator. First reading. This resolution attempts to comply with the 10th provision of the Talloires Declaration endorsed by the President on August 21, 2003. The 10th provision calls for “establish a Secretariat and a steering committee to continue this momentum, and to inform and support each other’s efforts in carrying out this declaration.” Resolution will return as a second reading item at the next Academic Senate meeting.

VI. Discussion Item(s): None.

VII. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

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