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

MINUTES OF
The Academic Senate Executive Committee
Tuesday, January 3, 2006
UU220, 3:00–5:00 p.m.

Preparatory: The meeting was opened at 3:15 p.m.

I. Minutes: The minutes for the Academic Senate Executive Committee meeting of November 1, 2005 were approved.

II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s):
- A. Faculty Referendum to Amend the Constitution of the Faculty: Formula for Determining Academic Senate Representation was passed by the General Faculty.
- B. Josef Kasperovich (CAED) was elected to the Academic Senate as the representative for part-time academic employees.

III. Reports:
- A. Academic Senate Chair: None.
- B. President's Office: (Howard-Greene) the Governor's budget is due to come out within the next couple of weeks and will include a report on the Governor's buy-out of student fees.
- C. Provost Office: (Detweiler) The topic of the Academic Bill of Rights is being discussed among certain faculty members, specifically regarding academic freedom and responsibilities. It was urged that the University Council on Citizenship discuss this issue. The Administration is aware of the issue and encourages healthy discussions without promoting a particular policy.
- D. Statewide Senators: (Hood) The Governor's buy-out of student fees is a permanent adjustment to the CSU base budget. The Administration will augment the CSU budget by approximately $54.4 million in lieu of a student fee increase. There is currently discussion in the CSU to adopt the same position as the UC in regards to their policy of not accepting articulation of courses with intelligent design and creationism discussions as part of the course.
- E. CFA Campus President: None.
- F. ASI Representative: None.
- G. Other: None.

IV. Consent Agenda: None.

V. Business Items:
- A. **Academic Senate and University committee appointments/Senate committee chair appointments for 2005-2006/7:** The following appointments were made and approved:

<u>COLLEGE OF EDUCATION</u>

Distinguished Scholarship Award Committee	George Petersen

<u>COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS</u>

Curriculum Committee	James Mueller

<u>PROFESSIONAL CONSULTATIVE SERVICES</u>

Fairness Board	Chris Parker-Kennedy

<u>UNIVERSITYWIDE COMMITTEES</u>

ASI Board of Directors	Manzar Foroohar

Honors Council	Tom DiSanto Barry Floyd Kevin Kingsbury Ulric Lund
CHAIR OF THE STUDENT GRIEVANCE BOARD	Alan Weatherford

B. **Resolution on Academic Senate Curriculum Committee PCS Membership:** Hannings, on behalf of the Curriculum Committee. This resolution modifies the Academic Senate bylaws section 1.2.a (Academic Senate Curriculum Committee Membership) to require that the PCS member of the committee be a college advisor. M/S/P to agendize.

C. **Resolution on Academic Senate Description of the Sustainability Committee:** Greenwald, Chair of the Sustainability Committee. This resolution amends the Bylaws of the Academic Senate to add the membership and responsibilities of the Sustainability Committee. M/S/P to agendize.

D. **Resolution on Student Academic Employees:** Foroohar, Chair of the Faculty Affairs Committee. This resolution recommends the formation of a committee composed of Unit 11 representatives and administrators to develop a policy that reflects the current University practice for classification and qualification for hiring graduate students with teaching responsibilities. M/S/F to agendize.

E. **Resolution on Composition of Administrative Search Committees:** Foroohar, Chair of the Faculty Affairs Committee. M/S/P to refer the resolution to the Faculty Affairs Committee with a request to consult with the Provost and report back to the Academic Senate.

F. **Resolution on Course Syllabi:** Schaffner, Chair of the Instruction Committee. This resolution requests that the revised Guidelines for a Course Syllabus replace the current guidelines in the catalog and that department heads/chairs verify, on a regular basis, that course syllabi are consistent with Senate approved course proposals. M/S/P to agendize.

VI. Discussion Item (s):

A. **Presentation to Senate of Greek community assessment results.** Due to lack of time, this item will be addressed at the next Academic Senate Executive Committee meeting.

B. **Adding a lecturer to the CLA dean search committee.** Due to lack of time, this item will be addressed at the next Academic Senate Executive Committee meeting.

C. **College of Education representation on the Academic Senate Executive Committee.** Due to lack of time, this item will be addressed at the next Academic Senate Executive Committee meeting.

D. **Time between classes.** Chair Hannings brought up the idea of discussing the adequacy of the current 10-minute time period between classes. Since there was interest in this topic it will be added to the agenda for the next meeting.

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

Submitted by,

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