I. Minutes: The minutes for the Academic Senate meeting of May 2, 2006 were approved.

II. Communications and Announcements:
   B. Numerical Summary of the Campus GE Survey.

III. Reports:
   A. Academic Senate Chair: (Hannings) The Social Hour, co-hosted by the President’s Office and the College of Liberal Arts, will be held Thursday, May 25 from 4-6 pm at Veranda Conference Room. Provost candidate Geoffrey Chase has withdrawn his application. Provost candidate, Dr. Ross Corotis, is on campus today and Dr. Elizabeth Hitch will be on campus Thursday and Friday for her interview. A newly identified candidate will be on campus next week for interviews. Everyone is encouraged to attend the Provost candidates open forums. The Executive Committee will be meeting with Dr. Hitch on Thursday, May 25 from 3-4 in 01-409 all senators are invited to attend. A resolution titled: Resolution of Commendation for Unny Menon, was presented to Unny Menon in recognition of his many years of distinguished service in the Academic Senate. M/S/P to approve the resolution.
   B. President’s Office: None.
   C. Provost Office: (Detweiler) The number of newly hired tenure-track faculty will exceed the original goal of 45, even thought some departments had a more difficult time hiring faculty. One of the campus wide problems with hiring faculty is the high cost of housing in the area. The construction of the new construction management building has begun and the following construction projects are roughly on schedule: Engineering IV-the Bonderson Building, Bella Montana Faculty/Staff Housing, Poly Canyon Village Apartments, and the Spanos Stadium. The Science Center replacement project, which will cost about $130 million, is progressing well. The student leaders are working on a plan for expansion of the University Union and will be reviewing their plans with President Baker shortly. Administrative searches are moving along. President Baker has appointed Michael Miller from the University of Michigan as the new Dean of Library Services and will be announcing the new Vice President for Advancement soon. Summer quarter enrollment is running below target with the main problem being the fact that students are just not registering for summer quarter. The current summer enrollment is higher than it was last year at this time but our goal for this year is much higher than last year. Enrollment during the next three quarters will help make up the summer enrollment shortfall and allow us to reach our goal of increasing enrollment by 2% more than what we are funded for. Due to the construction of the Spanos Stadium, commencement ceremonies will take place on June 10 and 11 and will be college specific.
   D. Statewide Senators: None.
   E. CFA Campus President: (Foroohar) CFA will be hosting a Bar-B-Q on Monday, June 5 from 5-7:30 pm at Cuesta Park where all faculty, members and non-members and guests, are invited to attend but please call the union office to RSVP. CFA’s president-elect is Physics professor Rich Saenz. The new summer agreement is finally ready and will continue to pay faculty for 12 units as full-time compared to the statewide contract which pays faculty for 15 units as full-time. This new contract provides some flexibility for administration by allowing them to hire up to 40% lecturers. A clause has been added to the new contract allowing for a higher level of compensation if one is bargained system wide.
F. ASI Representatives: (Middlestadt) ASI officers have endorsed a letter for phase and plan of the Master Plan where phase I includes a new student union facility on the north side of campus. ASI’s president-elect has selected a new chief-of-staff, a round of new officers is also being elected as well as the chair for the University Union Advisory Board. A new college shuttle program in partnership with Beach Cities Cab Company was launched last week and will provide late night transportation to campus and nearby neighborhoods from downtown for $4.00 per ride, one way.

G. Other: Alison Cone, Athletics Director: annual report on Athletics. Reports presented and discussed are available at the following sites:

H. Resolution of Commendation for David Hannings: endorse by acclamation.

IV. Consent Agenda:

V. Business Item(s):
   A. Resolution on Class Scheduling Times for 70-minute Classes: Schaffner, chair of Instruction Committee, second reading. The objective of the substitute resolution is twofold: to optimize classroom usage and to reduce class scheduling conflicts for students. The only time slots available for MWF 70-minute classes are from 8:10-9:20am, 9:30-10:40am, 10:50-12:00pm or after 6:00pm ending by 10:00pm. Friendly amendment to fourth whereas clause to read as follows:

   WHEREAS, A MWF 70-minute time pattern may be an efficient use of limited classroom resources when paired with existing TR 100-minute time pattern by allowing five courses to be taught in the same room between 8am and noon instead of the current four; and

   M/S/F to approve the following amendment:

   RESOLVED: That the time slots that will be made available for faculty wishing to teach on a MWF 70-minute pattern are from 8:10-9:20am, 9:30-10:40am, 10:50-12:00pm, 10:10-11:20am, 12:10-1:20pm or after 6:00pm ending by 10:00pm.

   M/S/P to close debate in accord to Robert’s Rules and vote on the original and substitute resolutions.

   Original Resolution: M/S/F to approve the resolution.
   Substitute Resolution: M/S/F to approve the resolution.

VI. Discussion Item(s):
   A. Revised Cal Poly Mission Statement and Proposed University Learning Objectives: Elrod, chair of the Curriculum Committee. Presented the results of many hours of work by a focus group to craft learning objectives common to all programs on campus. In the course of reviewing the learning objectives it was decided that the current mission statement was inadequate and needed revisions as well. During the spring quarter, the Academic Senate Curriculum Committee, in concert with the President’s management staff proposed a new Cal Poly Mission Statement. The Executive Committee decided that a couple of meetings to discuss the learning objectives and mission statement was not enough, therefore it was decided to present the document to the entire Academic Senate for further revisions and recommendations during Fall quarter. (Giberti) Would like to have the Academic Senate and administration meet during Fall Conference week, in a half-day retreat setting, to discuss the documents in a facilitated process and get to know each other.

VII. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Submitted by,

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