MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Tuesday, May 22, 2007
01-409, 3:10 to 5:00pm

3:10 I. Minutes:
Approval of minutes for Academic Senate Executive Committee meeting of
May 1, 2007 (pp. 2-4). [Approval of minutes for May 15 and May 22, 2007 will be sent
electronically.]

II. Communications and Announcements:

III. Reports: [NO REPORTS WILL BE MADE AT THE MAY 22 MEETING]
A. Academic Senate Chair:
B. President’s Office:
C. Provost:
D. Statewide Senate:
E. CFA Campus President:
F. ASI Representative:
G. Caucus Chairs:
H. Other:

3:15 IV. Consent Agenda:
A. Approval of Academic Senate caucus chairs and senators for 2007-08/09:
   (p. 5).
B. Appointment of committee members to the 2007-2008 Academic Senate
   committees: (p. 6).

3:20 V. Business Item(s):
   Appointment to University committees: (pp. 7-14).

3:45 VI. Discussion Item(s):
A. Academic Senate: review of the year.
B. Academic Senate committee charges for 2007-2008: (pp. 15-16). [Please
   review committee charges in the Senate bylaws prior to meeting.]
C. Academic Senate retreat for fall conference 2007.

3:00 VII. Adjournment:
Preparatory: The meeting was called to order at 3:15 p.m.

I. Minutes: The minutes of April 3 and April 10 were approved as presented.

II. Communications and Announcements: An additional Executive Committee meeting has been scheduled for May 22.

III. Reports:
   A. Academic Senate Chair: Giberti reported on his presentation at the Access to Excellence Summit on excellence in student learning.
   B. President’s Office: none.
   C. Provost: Durgin reported that there was some confusion at the ATE Summit over assessment. Regarding enrollment, Cal Poly has met the target for next year.
   D. Statewide Senate: none.
   E. CFA Campus President: Saenz reported that the new contract includes a more structured plan for equity pay.
   F. ASI Representative: none.
   G. Caucus Chair: none.
   H. Other: none.

IV. Consent Agenda:
   A. Approval of Academic Senate caucus chairs and senators filling vacancies for 2007-2008/09:
      The following were approved:

      COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
      Caucus Chair: James Gentilucci, GrdSt/Ed
      Senator: Shirley Magnusson, GrdSt/Ed, 2007-2009

      COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
      Caucus Chair: Mei-ling Liu, CompSci

      COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS
      Caucus Chair: John Soares, Jour
B. Selection of members for 2007-2008 Academic Senate committees (for committees with only one nomination): The following were approved:

**COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**
- Budget and Long-Range Planning: Doris Derelian, FSN
- Curriculum Committee: Lynn Moody, Earth&SS
- Distinguished Scholarship Award: Charles Burt, BRAE
- Faculty Affairs Committee: Bob Spiller, AniSci
- Library Committee: Wayne Howard, Agribus
- Sustainability Committee: Neal MacDougall, Agribus

**COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN**
- Budget and Long-Range Planning: Margarita Hill, LandArch
- Distinguished Scholarship Award: Don Choi, Arch
- Grants Review Committee: Sandy Stannard, Arch
- Instruction Committee: Gary Clay, LandArch
- Sustainability Committee: Paul Wack, C&RPlg

**ORFALA COLLEGE OF BUSINESS**
- Distinguished Teaching Award: Mike Geringer, Mgt
- Library Committee: Manocher Djassemi, IndTech

**COLLEGE OF EDUCATION**
- Budget and Long-Range Planning: Shirley Magnusson, GrdStIEd
- Curriculum Committee: Jodi Jaques, GrdStIEd
- Instruction Committee: Roberta Herter, GrdStIEd
- Library Committee: Michael Ruef, GrdStIEd
- Sustainability Committee: Lou Rosenberg, GrdStIEd

**COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING**
- Curriculum Committee: Dan Waldorf, IM&E
- Fairness Board: Faysal Kolkaillah, AeroEngr

**COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS**
- Curriculum Committee: John Soares, Jour
- Distinguished Teaching Award: Craig Russell, Music

**COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS**
- Curriculum Committee: James Mueller, Math
- Faculty Affairs Committee: Jimmy Doi, Stats
- Fairness Board: Jonathan Shapiro, Math
- Instruction Committee: Andrew Schaffner, Stats
- Library Committee: Ulric Lund, Stats
- Research & Professional Development: Mark Stankus, Math

**PROFESSIONAL CONSULTATIVE SERVICES**

Distinguished Scholarship Award
Sharon Fujitani, Library
Grants Review Committee
Navjit Brar, Library

C. Selection of committee members for 2007-2008 University committees (for committees with the same number of nominations as vacancies: POSTPONED TO 5.15.07.

V. Business Items:
A. Resolution on Consolidation of Academic Senate United States Cultural Pluralism Subcommittee and Curriculum Committee (Executive Committee): This resolution abolishes the United States Cultural Pluralism Subcommittee and transfers its responsibilities to the Curriculum Committee. M/S/P to agendize the resolution.

B. Curriculum Proposal: New Degree Program for BA, Liberal Arts & Engineering Studies: Hannings reported that this interdisciplinary program is well supported by the colleges involved. M/S/P to agendize the proposal.

C. Resolution on Proposal for Establishment of the Cal Poly Center for Global Automated Identification Technologies (Poly GAIT): Opava reported on the resolution to establish an interdisciplinary institute representing engineering, business, and agriculture. M/S/P to agendize the resolution.

D. Selection of committee members to 2007-2008 Academic Senate committees (for committees with more than one nomination): The following were approved:

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
Research & Professional Development Committee Bill Plummer, AniSci

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
Grants Review Committee Trevor Harding, MatsEngr
Research & Professional Development Committee Helen Yu, ElecEngr

E. Selection of committee members to 2007-2008 University committees (for committees with more nominations than vacancies): POSTPONED TO 5.15.07

VI. Discussion Items:
A. Possible changes to the Academic Senate Bylaws: Giberti presented a list of possible changes to the Executive Committee. These include requiring all Senators to serve on at least one committee and standardizing meeting times. Further discussion is required.

B. General Education: Harris suggested that the Senate revisit the issue of General Education at Cal Poly. Further discussion is required.

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

Submitted by,

Gladys Gregory
Academic Senate
APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC SENATE
CAUCUS CHAIRS AND SENATORS
FOR 2007 - 2008/09

TO BE APPROVED:

College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences
Caucus chair:
Senate vacancy:

College of Business
Caucus chair:
Senate vacancy:
Senate vacancy:

Professional Consultative Services
Caucus chair: Johanna Brown
Senate vacancy:

PREVIOUSLY APPROVED:

College of Architecture and Environmental Design
Caucus chair: Stephen Phillips
No vacancies

College of Education
Caucus chair: Jim Gentilucci
Senate vacancy:
Shirley Magnusson (TchrEd, 2007-2009)

College of Engineering
Caucus chair: Mei-ling Liu
No vacancies

College of Liberal Arts
Caucus chair: John Soares
No vacancies

College of Science and Mathematics
Caucus chair: Steve Rein
Senate vacancy:
Rich Saenz (Physics, 2007-2008)
Senate vacancy:
Senate vacancy:
Francis Villablanca (Bio, 2007-2009)
ACADEMIC SENATE COMMITTEES
VACANCIES 2007-2008

COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN

Faculty Affairs Committee

ORFALEA COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

Fairness Board

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Distinguished Scholarship Award (2007-2008 term)

Fairness Board (2007-2008 term)

Research and Professional Development Committee

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

Budget and Long Range Planning Committee

Distinguished Scholarship Award

PROFESSIONAL CONSULTATIVE SERVICES

Curriculum Committee

Instruction Committee

Research and Professional Development Committee (2007-2008 term)

Sustainability Committee

ACADEMIC SENATE COMMITTEE CHAIR

Fairness Board

UNIVERSITY-WIDE COMMITTEES

Health Services Oversight Committee
(1 Representative/1 Vacancy – also serves on the Student Health Advisory Committee)

Student Health Advisory Committee
(1 Representative/1 Vacancy – also serves on the Health Services Oversight Committee)

University Union Advisory Board
(1 Representative/1 Vacancy)
Statements of Interest
UNIVERSITY-WIDE COMMITTEES
Vacancies for 2007-2008

Academic Advising Council (1 candidate)
(2 Representatives/1 Vacancy)
Matt Carlton (Incumbent)
Stats
1 of 1
I have been a member of the Advising Council for four years, and I am currently co-chair of the council with Kris McKinlay. While on the council, I have coordinated the Advising Fair and the Advising 101/102 Workshops. I am currently involved in multiple short- and long-term projects with the council, so I hope to continue serving.
I am also the lead advisor for my department (Statistics). My experience as an advisor has informed my contributions to the Advising Council, and vice versa. In particular, I am "tuned in" to campus policy decisions, including aspects of PeopleSoft, that impact both the council and my students in the Statistics Department.

Accommodation Review Board (3 candidates)
(2 Representatives/1 Vacancy)
Eric Fisher Econ
1 of 3
My brother is a quadriplegic, and thus I am sensitive to these issues for personal familial reasons.

John Harris NRM
1 of 1
1. I have always had an interest in the importance of an equal "playing field" for the person with a disability.
2. I have taught both site planning and facilities management courses in parks and recreation that required a knowledge of specific physical accommodations for the disabled.
3. I have been a professional in parks and recreation where I made specific decisions to physically accommodate people with disabilities.
4. I am the faculty representative on the university's Disability Access and Compliance Committee involved with all types of accommodations for the person with a disability.
5. I desire the position.

Michael Ruef (Incumbent)
GrdSt/Ed
2 of 2
I have chosen these committees because of my background in disability.
1. 45 years ago my sister was born with a disability (Down syndrome). I have been her conservator and advocate for the past 20 years.
2. I have a special education teaching credential and worked for 15 years as a special education teacher in San Diego.
3. I have an M.A. and a PhD in Special Education and am currently the co-coordinator of SPED programs here at Cal Poly.
4. I am very familiar with the Americans with Disabilities Act and teach content related to this law that governs accommodations in Cal Poly courses.
In short, I am passionate about advocating for the rights of persons with disabilities. For me, disability issues are both personal and professional.

ASI Board of Directors (1 candidate)
(1 Representative/1 Vacancy)
Jim LoCascio (Incumbent)
MechEngr
1 of 1

Athletics Governing Board (3 candidates)
(3 Representatives/1 Vacancy)
Kurt Colvin (Incumbent)
IndEngr
1 of 1
I have served on this committee for several years, and am current on the purpose and protocols of the committee. I feel that the committee serves an important oversight role for athletics and I very much enjoy the service.
Jim Sena

I have been a Stampede member and season ticket holder and attendee for Cal Poly sports for about twenty years. I follow the main sports for both women and men at the collegiate and professional level. I also have played at the intramural level sports while in college and as a faculty member. (It also may be irrelevant but my brothers played at the collegiate level – one basketball (Xavier) – the other football (Cincinnati) – just to show I have some inside familiarity. I am an avid racquetball player and swimmer (which may be irrelevant) – but I do make almost daily use of the university facilities either on the court or in the pool. So from this standpoint I am actively involved in sports both as a participant and a fan. With my business background I realize that there are many reasons and strategies employed in and about sports programs and can offer experience and advice when requested.

Katie McCormick

My interest in serving as a member of the University Athletics Governing Board flows from several perspectives: the experience of having been a two-sport intercollegiate player (tennis, soccer); a focus of my professional design work on sport (including working for adidas, having clients such as the New York Yankees and the Cincinnati Reds, and collaborating on two books on golf); active following of intercollegiate sports; and on-going participation in sport through cycling, marathon running, and golf. I appreciate both the joy of sport and the intrinsic value of participation as an opportunity to learn something about myself. It is in this appreciation that athletics participation is a learning experience that is particularly relevant to the intercollegiate scene, and it is the responsibility of coaches, athletic administrators, and institutions to provide this kind of environment for student-athletes.

Cal Poly Plan Steering Committee (4 candidates)
(3 Representatives/2 Vacancies)

Penny Bennett
GrphCom 3 of 3
I have been at Cal Poly since January 2007. I would very much enjoy being a part of the future planning for Cal Poly. As I've moved through the ranks into my current rank of Associate Professor I am finding more of a desire to become actively involved in the Cal Poly professional community through both college and university-level service. I am currently serving on the CLA Professional Leave Committee and the CLA Promotion and Tenure Committee. I am currently serving on the Health Services Oversight Committee and the Students with Disabilities Advisory Committee at the university level for this year. I was nominated to be an Academic Senator for next year but my nomination was declined because another faculty member from my department is currently serving. I have elected to attend Academic Senate meetings as a guest so I can keep abreast of the University governance.

Gary Clay (Incumbent)
LandArch 1 of 1
"I am still interested in continuing on with this committee assignment."

Xiaomin Jin
ElecEngr 2 of 2
Faysal Kolkailah (Incumbent)
AeroEngr 1 of 2

Campus Dining Advisory Committee (4 candidates)
(1 Representative/1 Vacancy)

Robert Delmore
AnSci 1 of 1
I would like to serve on the Cal Poly, Campus Dining Advisory Committee. I am a member of the Animal Science Faculty and serve as the faculty member responsible for the Cal Poly Meat Laboratory. Managing a facility that sells meat to the campus and surrounding community I understand the importance of Campus Dining and the job they do. In addition, I worked in the food industry for 5 years and have experience in food production, marketing and quick service restaurant products. I feel that my food processing experience and interest would be an asset to the committee.

James Harris (Incumbent)
EE 1 of 1
I am requesting to be appointed to a second term on the campus dining advisory committee. My original intent was to be active on this committee in the context of serving on the academic senate ad hoc conference center committee. Campus dining is in a period of transition, and currently the very
existence of campus dining as a Cal Poly organization rather than a private contractor-run organization is still an open issue. Three of the top positions sill remain to be fulfilled: corporation director, director of campus dining, and executive chef. After the issue of the organizational direction is determined, and resulting personnel decisions have been made, there will still be a lot of challenges. I would hope to provide some continuity for faculty input during this period, and to provide an effective voice for faculty concerns over campus dining and, the possibility of a future conference center on campus.

Neal MacDougall
Agribus 1 of 2

My interest in the Campus Dining Advisory Committee stems from my involvement with the Cal Poly Organic Farm via my direction of the Sustainable Agriculture Resource Consortium (SARC) as well as my academic interests in sustainability. I strongly believe that Campus Dining can continue to move effectively in the direction of sustainability by emphasizing local, organic and sustainable food sources in a cost-effective manner. As an economist interested in sustainability, I strongly believe that doing the "right thing" can also be the profitable thing if done the right way.

Charmaine Martinez
Art&Des 1 of 2

Campus Fee Advisory Committee (1 candidate)
(1 Representative/1 Vacancy)
Patricia Ponce
AcadProg 1 of 2

Campus Planning Committee (5 candidates)
(2 Representatives/2 Vacancies)
Penny Bennett
GraphCom 1 of 3

My first choice of committee service would be for this committee. I would very much enjoy being involved in the long-term plans of the campus and I would like to learn more about the logistics of such a committee. I have been at Cal Poly since January 2007. During that time, I have become quite accomplished both nationally and internationally in my field of Graphic Communication. Shortly after arriving at Cal Poly, I served as an Academic Senator. I also served on the Academic Senate in my previous position at another institute. As I've moved through the ranks into my current rank of Associate Professor I am finding more of a desire to become actively involved in the Cal Poly professional community through both college and university-level service. I am currently serving on the CLA Professional Leave Committee and the CLA Promotion and Tenure Committee. I was also nominated during the Fall quarter by CLA to be the Faculty Speaker at the December 2006 graduation. It was an honor for me and I found the experience very rewarding. I am currently serving on the Health Services Oversight Committee and the Students with Disabilities Advisory Committee at the university level for this year. I was nominated to be an Academic Senator for next year but my nomination was declined because another faculty member from my department is currently serving. I have elected to attend Academic Senate meetings as a guest so I can keep abreast of the University governance. Service on a University committee would also help fill my desire to become more involved in Cal Poly's governance.

Mike Hall (Incumbent)
AniSci 1 of 1
Faysal Kolkailah
AeroEngr 1 of 2
Neal MacDougall
Agribus 2 of 2

As the faculty director of the Sustainable Agriculture Resource Consortium (SARC), I have become increasingly involved with the broader network of faculty involved with sustainability, the Sustainable Research Group for the Environment (SuRGE). Through this group I have become increasingly knowledgeable about the university's facilities and its management. I have incorporated these resources (people and documents) into my teaching as well as into my involvement with the Cal Poly Organic Farm. Finally, I think it is important to have a voice from sustainable agriculture sitting on this committee to bring to the table the implications of future construction and planning on agricultural lands at the university.

Bryan Mealy
ElecEngr 1 of 1

The underlying theme of my life has always been to reduce the impact that I have on the planet. Forty years ago, the buzzword was "ecology"; today, the word is "sustainability." As an engineer and a Cal Poly professor, I am moving towards merging my lifelong personal sustainability efforts with
applied research in topics that fall under the category of sustainability. I therefore believe my knowledge and dedication to sustainability-type issues could be a valuable asset on the Campus Planning Committee. I strongly believe that formulating plans without considering sustainability issues reduces the probability that those plans will be ultimately successful.

Campus Safety and Risk Management Committee (3 candidates)
(2 Representatives/1 Vacancy)

Eric Fisher
Econ 2 of 3

I have published on economics and conflict, and I was an Academic Fellow for the Foundation for the Defense of Democracies in 2003. They paid for a trip for me to study terrorism at the Jaffe Center for Security Studies at the University of Tel Aviv, where I learned how to manage terrorism from academic and practical perspectives. I also have studied catastrophic risk in financial markets. Finally, I was a visiting professor at Virginia Tech in 2005, where I taught in the same building where those killings occurred last month. Finally, I have been an elected official in Ohio, where I helped spark a discussion for an emergency response plan for the Village of Riverlea.

Bill Kellogg (Incumbent)
AgEd&C 1 of 1

Please accept this statement as my sincere request to serve on the Campus Safety and Risk Management Committee for the 2007-2008 academic year. I am currently serving in my first full year of service on this committee. Years ago, I also served in this important campus-wide committee and was instrumental in helping to make the campus a safer environment for our students, faculty, and staff.

As a faculty member, I am keenly aware of the issues pertaining to campus safety and risk management. My academic duties allow me to suggest and implement important safety related improvements to the labs I teach in within the Bioresource and Agricultural Engineering facilities. I teach courses in safety and provide risk management recommendations to high schools throughout California on a regular basis.

As a Board member and Trustee for the Cal Poly Corporation, I am very concerned about the need for the university and the Corporation to work closely together to help manage our combined risk. I appreciate being able to express my views in a way that helps both organizations to support one another.

Thank you for allowing me to once again represent the faculty on this committee.

Carolyn Stefanco
History 1 of 2

Deans Admissions Advisory Committee (1 candidate)
(2 Representatives/2 Vacancies – 1 must be from Budget and Long Range Planning Committee)

Dean Arakaki
ElecEngr 1 of 1

Health Services Oversight Committee
(1 Representative/1 Vacancy – also serves on the Student Health Advisory Committee)

International Education and Programs Council (IEP) (7 candidates)
(1 Representative/1 Vacancy)

Mike Geringer
Mgt 1 of 1

I have a Ph.D. in international business, am listed as one of the 10 most prolific scholars in international strategy, and I received the first International Educator Award at Cal Poly. I have written materials with an international focus (teaching case studies, classroom readings, and the leading UG international business textbook in the world) that are used in Cal Poly programs and in programs worldwide. I have taught students from over 50 nations, including in university programs in North America, Europe, Asia, and Australia. I served as elected Chair for the International Business divisions of both ASAC and the Academy of Management (latter with over 2000 members). I have served for approximately 12 years as the Coordinator for the International Business Management concentration at Cal Poly, and previously served on IEP. My whole life - teaching, research, consulting, service - is focused on international education.
Brian Kennelly  
ModL&L  
1 of 2
In this age of globalization, it is crucial that Cal Poly continue to provide its students with high quality, meaningful opportunities for study and internships abroad not only to increase their career prospects and expand their understanding of culturally-rooted attitudes and behaviors but to be effective, educated world citizens. I have extensive experience living and working abroad, am Chair of the Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, bring new ideas to the table (as a first-year faculty member here), and am a strong advocate for international endeavors—broadly defined and across colleges.

William Martinez (Incumbent)  
ModL&L  
1 of 2
I have served on the council the last two years and I would like to continue to serve. I am very involved in International Programs, specifically with the MLL department's programs in Mexico (summer) and Spain (Summer and Fall).

Barbara Mori  
SocSci  
1 of 1
I have served international education on the Cal Poly campus in a number of ways. I have served on the selection committee for students who wish to study abroad. I have helped to found the International Honor society Phi Beta Delta and been its president for a year. I have also served in various ways on the San Luis Obispo High School AFS/GE committee. I have counseled foreign students on campus and hired some of the them as assistants as well as advise students interested in IP and other study programs available through IEP. I have served as a resident director for the Japan program from 2001-2002 at Waseda and I teach courses on cross-cultural sociology and for the Humanities program a course on Japanese culture and a course on Chinese culture. I have been a regular contributor to the scholarship in the name of Don Floyd and Marilyn York. I have an interest in and knowledge of international education and programs and am willing to serve on the Council.

James Mwangi  
ArchEngr  
1 of 2
• I am an African of Kenyan origin. I received a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Nairobi, Kenya in 1984 and a Master of Science in Civil Engineering (Structures) from the University of Lagos, Nigeria in 1985.
• I attended graduate school at the University of California, Davis as an exchange student from the University of Nairobi, Kenya through the California University Education Abroad Program and received a Ph.D. in Civil Engineering (Structural) in 2001.
• I am a licensed professional engineer in the state of California and have practiced structural engineering in California for the past twelve years.
• I serve as a disaster worker volunteer with the California Governor's office of Emergency Services (OES).
• I serve as a subject matter expert for the California Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors where I help in developing licensing examinations for the board.
• While at UC, Davis, I served on advisory committee that advised the dean of graduate studies on matters pertaining to ethnic diversity.
• My past background and industry practice gives me a wealth of knowledge that will be beneficial to share with other members of the councils and eventually help the president on matters pertaining to enhancing these programs on this campus.

Stacey Rucas  
SocSci  
1 of 2
Last year I participated in the Cal Poly at Sea program and will participate in future study abroad programs at Cal Poly. Currently I am involved in the creation of a new Anthropology/Geography major, which will encompass an international focus. I have lived abroad doing research with native peoples in South America for a year and have traveled to many countries. I have a good relationship with IEP directors and am very supportive of promoting international focus and opportunities for students.

Carolyn Stefanco  
History  
1 of 2
Information Resource Management Policy and Planning Committee (1 candidate)
(1 Representative/1 Vacancy)
Eric Fisher Econ 3 of 3
I am kind of computer savvy, and I recognize that we have the problems with computer resources that the College of Business faces may have to do with the fact that the local IT staff are perhaps not completely well qualified.

Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (2 candidates)
(1 Representative/1 Vacancy)
Barbara Cook (Incumbent) SoilSci 1 of 1
I have been a member of this committee from 2001 to the present (also served in 94-95). I believe that the committee does an important job in making sure that our animals are treated safely and humanely. As an institution it is crucial for Cal Poly to meet USDA standards. As the "nonscientific" member I feel the need to point out parts of proposals that are not clear and readable to the layperson. This is a necessary quality of a good proposal.

Richard Gearhart AgEd&C 1 of 1

Student Health Advisory Committee
(1 Representative/1 Vacancy – also serves on the Health Services Oversight Committee)

Student with Disabilities Advisory Committee (2 candidates)
(4 Representatives/2 Vacancies)
Michael Ruef (Incumbent) GrdSt/Ed 1 of 2
I have chosen these committees because of my background in disability.

1. 45 years ago my sister was born with a disability (Down syndrome). I have been her conservator and advocate for the past 20 years.
2. I have a special education teaching credential and worked for 15 years as a special education teacher in San Diego.
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4. I am very familiar with the Americans with Disabilities Act and teach content related to this law that governs accommodations in Cal Poly courses.
In short, I am passionate about advocating for the rights of persons with disabilities. For me, disability issues are both personal and professional.

Douglas Swanson Jour 1 of 1
I am new at Cal Poly, having just come here last fall from the University of Wisconsin-LaCrosse. I was a teaching faculty member for six years at UWL, and in my last two years I took on additional responsibilities as the university's first Director of Academic Advising. In my interaction with faculty across our campus, I discovered that many faculty misunderstand or disregard the impact of disabilities on student performance. We dealt with faculty members who refused to provide accommodations, or made getting the accommodations so difficult it was almost not worth the effort. We also dealt with an administration that, when budget cuts came, took money away from programs where the least "squawk" would come. Too often, these were programs that benefit students with disabilities. My two years as an administrator made me see that much more needs to be done to assure students with disabilities are on a 'level playing field' in the university. I also have a personal interest in this subject. My older son, a senior in college in Wisconsin, is visually impaired. Through his whole life, my wife and I have dealt with all "the issues" (our son lived for more than ten years in a residential school for the blind). For some reason I thought that because I was comfortable with, and knowledgeable of, "the issues" other faculty members were, too. Wrong! So that's why I am interested in helping this committee.
I am interested in serving on the SUAAC committee because of my position in the Counseling Center as the Alcohol & Drug Specialist. I provide individual and group counseling to both mandated and voluntary students presenting with substance abuse and dependency issues. I would like to be involved at the University and community level to address the impact of substance abuse on student’s academic success and to create solutions to this widespread problem. I have enjoyed collaborating with other University departments on the Programming Subcommittee over the past 5 years. Thank you for considering my application.

This committee has particular interest for me because I was the first tenured female professor and currently the only tenured female professor in the history of the GrC department. Our student population has progressively changed from nearly all men to over half women. I feel it is very important to have good role models and faculty representation for a diverse population of student body. I am currently serving on the CLA Professional Leave Committee and the CLA Promotion and Tenure Committee. I was also nominated during the Fall quarter by CLA to be the Faculty Speaker at the December 2006 graduation. It was an honor for me and I found the experience very rewarding. I am currently serving on the Health Services Oversight Committee and the Students with Disabilities Advisory Committee at the university level for this year. Service on a University committee would also help fill my desire to become more involved in Cal Poly’s governance.

I believe this is one of the most important committees in the university. I am myself very committed to diversity in all its possibilities (beyond gender and race) and I fully support all activities that UDEC has sponsored.

- I am an African of Kenyan origin. I received a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Nairobi, Kenya in 1984 and a Master of Science in Civil Engineering (Structures) from the University of Lagos, Nigeria in 1985.
- I attended graduate school at the University of California, Davis as an exchange student from the University of Nairobi, Kenya through the California University Education Abroad Program and received a Ph.D. in Civil Engineering (Structural) in 2001.
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- My past background and industry practice gives me a wealth of knowledge that will be beneficial to share with other members of the councils and eventually help the president on matters pertaining to enhancing these programs on this campus.
John Oriji  
History  
I am interested in serving in the UDEC due to the wealth of teaching experiences I have acquired in diverse academic environments in Nigerian and US universities. While at Cal Poly for the past 19 years, I served in my Departmental Committees that helped in diversifying the curriculum, and also in the Vice Provost for Academic Programs’ Diversity in the Curriculum Task Force (2003-2004). I have remained close to students not only as an Academic Advisor to students in my Department, but as a Mentor to African American Students, and some other minority students. I think UDEC will be enriched by my contributions, and the experiences I have acquired in diverse academic environments.

Patricia Ponce  
AcadProg  
As an Anthropologist, I have been well trained through my discipline to appreciate human biological and cultural diversity seen throughout time and space. This is a major tenant of my teachings and a philosophy I deeply embrace. This year I wrote an application for the President’s Diversity Award on behalf of our department (which we won), and with the proceeds I have started a seed grant to fund future diversity projects for our department. The first one will be a 6-week event for Hispanic Heritage in the fall of 2007 – a photojournalist display of Migrant Farm workers to be hosted at the SLO Arts Center downtown. I believe very strongly in promoting and enhancing the university lives of ethnically and culturally diverse students at Cal Poly.

University Union Advisory Board  
(1 Representative/1 Vacancy)
ACADEMIC SENATE COMMITTEE CHARGES
FOR 2007-2008

Curriculum Committee
- Review Academic Senate Constitution and Bylaws, online description of committees and membership, and any other relevant material on AS website; report any changes or recommendations for changes to Academic Senate Chair by end of fall 2007.

Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee
- Compare history and procedures of Distinguished Scholarship and Distinguished Teaching Awards committees; report jointly to Academic Senate by end of fall 2007.
- Review Academic Senate Constitution and Bylaws, online description of committees and membership, and any other relevant material on AS website; report any changes or recommendations for changes to Academic Senate Chair by end of fall 2007.

Distinguished Teaching Awards Committee
- Compare history and procedures of Distinguished Scholarship and Distinguished Teaching Awards committees; report jointly to Academic Senate by end of fall 2007.
- Review Academic Senate Constitution and Bylaws, online description of committees and membership, and any other relevant material on AS website; report any changes or recommendations for changes to Academic Senate Chair by end of fall 2007.

Faculty Affairs Committee
- Report on MPP hiring policies to Academic Senate by end of fall 2006.
- Review policy for annual evaluation of department heads/chairs and report to Academic Senate by end of winter 2007.
- Review the Historical Faculty Trends Analysis report and report to Academic Senate by end of winter 2007.
- Take action on resolution on policies and criteria for hiring and evaluation of student employees. Make recommendations to Academic Senate by end of spring 2007.
- Review Academic Senate Constitution and Bylaws, online description of committees and membership, and any other relevant material on AS website; report any changes or recommendations for changes to Academic Senate Chair by end of fall 2007.

Faculty Club Committee
- Work with Cal Poly Corporation to re-establish faculty/staff lunch area and report to Academic Senate by end of spring 2006.
- Consider ways to enhance success of Social Hours by end of fall 2006.
- Coordinate with BUS 454 to develop business plan for Cal Poly Club by end of fall 2006.
- Review Academic Senate Constitution and Bylaws, online description of committees and membership, and any other relevant material on AS website; report any changes or recommendations for changes to Academic Senate Chair by end of fall 2007.
Fairness Board
- Review proposed Academic Integrity Policy and new Academic Dishonesty Reporting Requirements in light of other related documents (CAM 684, relevant AS resolutions, Code of Students Rights and Responsibilities, Title 5 on Student Discipline) and report to Academic Senate by winter 2007.
- Review procedures for Fairness Board in light of consolidation with Student Grievance Board; report new procedures to AS Chair by end of spring 2007.
- Publicize Fairness Board for fall 2007.
- Review Academic Senate Constitution and Bylaws, online description of committees and membership, and any other relevant material on AS website; report any changes or recommendations for changes to Academic Senate Chair by end of fall 2007.

Grants Review Committee
- Publicize student research grants for fall 2007.
- Review Academic Senate Constitution and Bylaws, online description of committees and membership, and any other relevant material on AS website; report any changes or recommendations for changes to Academic Senate Chair by end of fall 2007.

Sustainability Committee
- Continue to organize Earth Day events (ongoing charge).
- Consider broad range of alternatives for sustainability in curriculum, including but not limited to graduation requirement, and report to Academic Senate by winter 2007.
- Consider possibilities for scholarship and sustainability, including campus conference and research center, and report to Academic Senate in 2007-2008.
- Review Academic Senate Constitution and Bylaws, online description of committees and membership, and any other relevant material on AS website; report any changes or recommendations for changes to Academic Senate Chair by end of fall 2007.

PENDING CHARGES

ACADEMIC SENATE COMMITTEE

Budget and Long Range Planning Committee
- University outcomes and creating success indicators by end of spring 2006.
- Review Academic Senate Constitution and Bylaws, online description of committees and membership, and any other relevant material on AS website; report any changes or recommendations for changes to Academic Senate Chair by end of fall 2007.
- Monitor proposed Capstone student housing project - low priority.
- Future role of BLRP Committee.

UNIVERSITY COMMITTEE

Athletics Governing Board
Approval of change in membership requirements by spring 2006.