I. Minutes: The minutes of November 13 and November 27 were approved as presented.

II. Communications and Announcements:

A. Giberti announced that President Baker has acknowledged receipt of the Resolution on Prior Learning Assessment and the Resolution on Searches for Academic Campus Administrators. The President approved the Resolution on Proposal for the Establishment of the Center for Coastal Marine Sciences (CCMS). Applications for 2008-2010 Academic Senate and University committees are available at <http://www.calpoly.edu/~acadsen/CommitteeNominations/CommNomDocs.htm>; deadline is Friday, February 22.

B. Margot McDonald, Architecture Department, reported on the UC/CSU/CCC Sustainability Conference 2008, which Cal Poly will host. Information is available at <www.sustainability.calpoly.edu>. Kate Lancaster, chair of the Academic Senate Sustainability Committee, announced Cal Poly’s sustainability charrette scheduled for Saturday, February 23, 2008, from 8:30-4:00 pm.

III. Regular Reports:

A. Academic Senate Chair: Giberti reported on the calendar for Winter Quarter Academic Senate and Executive meetings.

B. President’s Office: none.

C. Vice President for Student Affairs: Morton reported on Executive Order 1006 which states that all of all academic dishonesty situations be sent to the Office of Students Rights and Responsibilities in an attempt to add consistency to the process. This process also provides an opportunity to hold students accountable for multiple academic dishonesty situations that may occur with several departments.

D. Statewide Senate: Foroohar reported on resolutions passed by the ASCSU, which address issues such as drops and withdrawals, campus and university autonomy, academic freedom, and fees for MBAs.

E. CFA Campus President: Saenz announced the start of the assistant professor equity program.

F. ASI Representative: Souza reported on the progress of the Rec Center expansion. Information is available at <www.recexpansion.com>.
IV. Special Report:

A. Provost Durgin reported on the University’s Strategic Plan. The presentation is available at <http://www.calpoly.edu/~acadsen/reports/University%20Strategic%20Plan%20Update01.2.08.ppt>.

V. Consent Agenda: none.

VI. Business Item(s):

A. Resolution on Faculty/Staff Dining Area (Ad Hoc Committee on Conference Center and Faculty Club): Harris presented this resolution, which requests that the management of Campus Dining address in its strategic plan the needs of faculty and staff and that the Director of Campus Dining report to the Academic Senate on the status of this request. M/S/P to adopt the resolution.

B. Resolution on Department Status and Name Change for Women’s Studies Program (Women’s Studies Program and College of Liberal Arts): Armstrong presented this resolution, which endorses the name and status change to Department of Women’s and Gender Studies. Resolution will return as a second reading item at the next Academic Senate meeting.

C. Resolution on Diversity Learning Objectives (Curriculum Committee): Hannings presented this resolution, which asks that the Diversity Learning Objectives be considered as an addendum to the University Learning Objectives. Resolution will return as a first reading item at the next Academic Senate meeting.

VII Discussion Item(s): none.

VIII. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

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