I. Minutes: The minutes of November 10, 2009 were approved.

II. Communications and Announcements: none.

III. Reports:

A. Academic Senate Chair: Fernflores announced that the call for faculty to serve on the Advisory Committee for the Selection of Campus President will begin tomorrow with nominations forms and all relevant information available on Blackboard. The issue of change of major will be addressed this quarter beginning with a public meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 21.

B. President’s Office: none.

C. Provost: Koob announced that the plans for summer session are unsettled due to a recent announcement by the Chancellor’s Office regarding fees. The Chancellor’s Office has indicated that campuses cannot charge students higher fees in the self-support summer model than they are allowed to charge students taking courses stateside.

D. Statewide Senate: none.

E. CFA Campus President: Saenz reported that the topic of furloughs continues to be discussed at CFA/CSU meetings.

F. ASI Representative: Griggs announced that during fall quarter, a focus group of students was formed to discuss the Ordinance Proposals that SLOPD brought to council to determine the "student perspective" on the matter. ASI’s suggestions were taken well, and some were actually incorporated into what the PD will be presenting to council when they come back for review beginning January 19th at the Council Meeting. ASI is also working on the presidential search and will presenting nominations to the ASI Board.

G. Caucus Chairs: CAED Caucus Chair Nuworsoo reported that in his college, some departments are asking faculty to log the furlough days they took in any given month at the end of the month, in addition to submitting the furlough form at the beginning of the quarter. Nuworsoo asked if this was going on in other colleges, and as far as could be determined, it is not.

H. Other: none.

IV. Consent Agenda: none.

V. Business Items:

A. Academic Senate/University committee appointments: The following was approved:
B. Resolution on Program Suspension (Faculty Affairs Committee/Instruction Committee): Foroohar, Chair of the Faculty Affairs Committee, presented this resolution which requests that a task force be formed to draft a policy and that no program be suspended without consultation with the affected faculty. M/S/P to agendize the resolution with the addition of a footnote clarifying the term "program".

C. Resolution on Faculty Participation in DigitalCommons@CalPoly (Research & Professional Development Committee): Stankus and Ramirez, members of the Research and Professional Development Committee, presented the resolution which requests that the Academic Senate recommend that faculty, campuswide, participate in order to enhance global access and availability of research, scholarship and creative activities. M/S/P to agendize the resolution.

D. Resolution on MS Fire Protection Engineering Program (College of Engineering): Hannings, Chair of the Curriculum Committee, presented the resolution which requests that the Academic Senate endorse the implementation of the program. M/S/P to agendize the resolution.

E. Resolution on Proposal to Establish a University Center for Innovation and Entrepreneurship (Orfalea College of Business): Tornatzky and York, CBUS Faculty, presented the resolution which requests that the Academic Senate endorse the establishment of the center. M/S/P to agendize the resolution.

F. Resolution on Selection Process for the Nomination of Faculty Representatives to the Advisory Committee for the Selection of Campus President (Executive Committee): Fernflores, Chair of the Academic Senate, presented the resolution which requests the adoption of the provisional policy for faculty selection to serve on the Advisory Committee to the Trustee Committee for the Selection of the President, as standing policy henceforth. The following amendments were approved:

4.B. A nominating petition…signed by a minimum of twenty (20) and maximum of thirty (30) members of the…Eligible signatories may not sign nomination petitions for more than one candidate without rendering their signature all petitions he or she has signed ineligible.

6. The two candidates (from different colleges) with the highest number of votes (from different colleges) shall be…

M/S/P to agendize the resolution as amended to a Senate meeting later in the quarter.

VI. Discussion Items: none.

VII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:46 p.m.

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