

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

MINUTES OF
The Academic Senate
Tuesday, April 13, 2010
UU 220, 3:00 to 5:00pm

- I. Minutes: The minutes of March 2 and March 9, 2010 were approved.
- II. Communications and Announcements: none.
- III. Regular Reports:
 - A. Academic Senate Chair: Fernflores attended, via video conference, a meeting of the statewide Academic Senate chairs in which program elimination was discussed. Campuses considering elimination are either looking at programs with fewer than 150 students or the overall ranking of all programs. The Cal Poly GE Task Force has finalized a governance policy. The GE task force will propose the establishment of a Senate GE Governance Board that will develop and implement the GE program.
 - B. President's Office: Howard-Greene announced that the Presidential Search Committee will be scheduling interviews of candidates in early May. The President's Cabinet is sponsoring a public policy forum on the topic of innovation. The forum, which is open to the public, will take place on Sunday, May 2 in Spanos Theater at 4:30p.m. Keynote speaker Walter Moos, Vice President for Biosciences Division of SRI International, will discuss the innovations seen from the perspective of pharmaceutical and biotech industries.
 - C. Provost's Office: Koob announced that Cal Poly plans no layoffs based on current budget information.
 - D. Vice President for Student Affairs: none.
 - E. Statewide Senators: none.
 - F. CFA Campus President: Saenz reported that CFA and CSU are on the verge of releasing their original proposal for bargaining since operational needs do not allow the CSU to extend the current contract.
 - G. ASI: Griggs reported that ASI is partnering with Empower Poly Coalition to present FOCUS SLO. The event is intended to focus San Luis Obispo on issues related to sustainability, and climate change.
 - H. Committee Chair(s): none.
- IV. Consent Agenda: SS 131 – Soils in Environmental and Agricultural Systems was approved.
- V. Business Items:
 - A. **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 attached policy for faculty selection to serve on the Advisory Committee to

the Trustee Committee for the Selection of the President, as standing policy. M/S/P to approve the resolution.

- B. **Resolution on Addition to Academic Senate Bylaws of the Academic Senate to Include Process for First and Second Readings** (Executive Committee): Fernflores, Chair of the Academic Senate presented the resolution, which provides guidelines to be used by the Academic Senate for first and second readings. M/S/P to approve the resolution.
- C. **Resolution on Private Donors** (Executive Committee): Foroohar, Chair of the Faculty Affairs Committee, presented the resolution which asks the Academic Senate to endorse the ASCSU “Resolution on Private Donor’s Respect for Academic Freedom” (AS-2936-10) Resolution will return as a second reading item.
- D. **Resolution on Establishment of an Academic Senate Curriculum Appeals Committee** (Curriculum Committee): Hannings, Chair of the Curriculum Committee presented this resolution, which moves reconsideration of curriculum proposals from the Academic Senate to an appeals committee comprised of three faculty members with curriculum overview experience. Resolution will return as a second reading item.

VI. Special Report:

- A. Erling Smith – reported on the strategic plan that Cal Poly is operating under in terms of actions that have been going on, but will not be endorsed until the new Presidents approves it. Strategic Plan is available at:
<http://www.academicaffairs.calpoly.edu/StrategicPlan/>

VII. Discussion Item: none.

VIII. Adjournment: 5:00pm

Submitted by,

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