Preparatory: The meeting was called to order at 3:12pm.

I. Minutes:

II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s):

III. Reports:
   A. Academic Senate Chair: none
   B. President’s Office: none
   C. Vice President for Academic Affairs: none
   D. Statewide Senators: none

IV. Consent Agenda:

V. Business Items:
   It was moved that the use of absentee votes submitted by two Executive Committee members would not be considered for the two discontinuance committee elections since a full ballot of nominees was not available to them prior to the meeting. It was agreed that election to these committees would require a majority vote.

   A. Election of members to the Program Discontinuance Committee for Engineering Technology: It was moved that the same committee would review both the Engineering Technology degree as well as the Electrical Engineering Technology degree programs.

       The nominees were: Fred Friedman (Engineering Technology), James Murphy (Industrial Technology), Norman Eatough (Chemistry), and Patrick McKim (Social Sciences). The individuals elected to this committee were FRED FRIEDMAN and NORMAN EATOUGH.

   B. Election of members to the Program Discontinuance Committee for Home Economics: The nominees were: Lezlie Labhard (Home Economics), Unny Menon (Industrial Engineering), Myron Hood (Mathematics), and John Harris (NRM). The individuals elected to this committee were LEZLIE LABHARD and JOHN HARRIS.

   C. Interim Program Review & Improvement Committee (PR&IC): Vice President Koob notified the Executive Committee that additional budget reduction decisions needed to be made before the end of July, 1992. In making these decisions, the deans and the faculty (through the interim Program Review & Improvement Committee) have been asked to provide information regarding program strengths/weaknesses by July 15 which administration will use in making decisions regarding additional vertical cuts in programs. This is a backup plan in case the full percentage of reduction now anticipated (14-1/2 to 18 percent) is realized.

       If the present members elected to the PR&IC are unable to meet during the summer in order to meet the July 15 deadline, it was the consensus of the Executive Committee that individuals who would be available during summer would be sought and they would then permanently replace the former member(s).

       Various members of the Executive Committee expressed concern that the Vice President was asking for a different use of the program review criteria than originally intended:
from ways in which to strengthen/improve programs to WHAT programs should be reduced or eliminated. Dr. Koob responded that the PR&IC would be providing information regarding a program's strengths and weaknesses, but it would be administration's decision whether or not to fund certain programs based on the information received. The committee WOULD NOT be deciding what programs to reduce or cut. It was moved that this matter would come before the Academic Senate at its May 26 meeting for discussion by the full body.

The Chair asked for suggestions regarding the selection of programs for initial review. It was agreed that the deans be asked what programs they would like to see reviewed and that the programs named by last year's review committee be identified for initial review.

The Executive Committee will be reviewing the findings of the PR&IC before the end of June, 1992. Jack Wilson, as Academic Senate Chair for the coming year, will be notifying the Budget Committee of President Baker's request to have this committee become a consultative body regarding university-wide budget decisions to be made.

Elections were held to elect to the two vacancies on the PR&IC as follows: SSM nominees: Harvey Greenwald (Mathematics) and Patricia Acord (Physical Education). The individual elected was PATRICIA ACORD. At-large member: GERALD CUNICO was nominated and elected to be the committee's at-large member.

VI. Discussion:

VII. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 4:58pm.

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Academic Senate

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