

Adopted: May 27, 2003

**ACADEMIC SENATE  
of  
CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY  
San Luis Obispo, CA**

**AS-599-03/FAC**

**RESOLUTION ON BUDGET CRISIS**

- 1 WHEREAS, The State of California is in an unprecedented budget crisis; and  
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3 WHEREAS, The state budget crisis will cause significant reductions in state appropriations to the CSU  
4 in 2003-2004 and beyond; and  
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6 WHEREAS, The budget crisis could seriously affect student access to courses and student services in  
7 the CSU; and  
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9 WHEREAS, The budget crisis could seriously affect high quality instruction, jeopardize faculty, and  
10 staff positions in the CSU; therefore be it  
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12 RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of Cal Poly (SLO) strongly urge President Baker to continue  
13 focusing on protecting funding for high quality instruction and essential student services  
14 (e.g., student advising, counseling, financial aid administration); and be it further  
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16 RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of Cal Poly strongly urge President Baker to oppose any  
17 increase in the student-faculty ratio (SFR), and be it further  
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19 RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of Cal Poly strongly urge President Baker to consult widely,  
20 on issues related to budget and enrollment management with the Academic Senate, all  
21 Cal Poly bargaining units, and Cal Poly students; and be it further  
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23 RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of Cal Poly strongly urge President Baker to ensure that there  
24 will be continuing transparency and consultation in the budget process so that the campus  
25 community can be fully informed; and be it further  
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27 RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of Cal Poly strongly urge President Baker to find and utilize  
28 alternative sources of revenue (i.e., Foundation funds), and cost saving strategies (e.g.,  
29 reduction of expenditure on non-essential operations, CMS, and hiring MPPs); and be it  
30 further  
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32 RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of Cal Poly strongly urge President Baker to reallocate  
33 alternative sources of revenue and savings to instruction as a way of reducing the impact  
34 of budget cuts on the quality of education.

Proposed by: Academic Senate Faculty Affairs Committee  
Date: March 17, 2003  
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To: George Lewis  
Chair, Academic Senate

ACADEMIC SENATE

Date: August 21, 2003

From:   
Warren J. Baker  
President

Copies: P. Zingg, L. Kelley

Subject: Response to Academic Senate Resolution AS-599-03/FAC  
Resolution on BUDget Crisis

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I hereby accept the above subject resolution and the principles of consultation and support for high quality instruction and student services that it articulates. This resolution both emphasizes strategies that the University has already undertaken to accomplish the goals of the resolution and affirms the importance of communication and engagement in the budget process.