

Adopted: June 3, 2003

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

AS-600-03/GRC

RESOLUTION ON CHANGE IN ACADEMIC SENATE
GRANTS REVIEW COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP (Bylaws section I.7.a)

1 **Background:** During fall quarter 2002, the Academic Senate asked its committees to review their
2 membership and provide any recommendations for change to the Senate office at the end of winter
3 quarter 2003. In response to this charge, the Academic Senate Grants Review Committee has
4 recommended the following modification and rationale for a change in its membership.
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6 **Rationale:** The role of the Grants Review Committee is to review proposals submitted by faculty and
7 students for funding from campus and state programs. The specific role of a committee member is to
8 “determine the value of the proposal, [its] consistency with program goals, [and its] benefits for faculty
9 and the University.” Committee members are asked to make judgments about “prior productivity of the
10 faculty member, prior University support, rank (priority for awards), [and] relevance of their work to
11 University goals.” The professional merit of the proposals is “judged” by other professionals in the
12 specific field of study, and in fact the materials provided for review are nearly incomprehensible to
13 persons outside the specific fields. Since the committee’s charge has no need for Risk Management
14 oversight, it is recommended that the administrative representative from Administration & Finance
15 Department be eliminated from the committee’s membership.
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18 WHEREAS, The present membership of the Academic Senate Grants Review Committee consists of
19 (1) a faculty member from each of the six instructional colleges, (2) one member from
20 Professional Consultative Services, (3) Dean of Research & Graduate Programs, (4) an
21 instructional dean, (5) the Vice President for Administration & Finance, (6) the
22 Foundation Executive Director, (7) and a graduate student; and
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24 WHEREAS, The membership position held by the Vice President for Administration & Finance does
25 not facilitate the committee’s charge of determining the value of a proposal in a specific
26 field of study; therefore, be it
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28 RESOLVED: That the administrative position held by the Vice President for Administration & Finance
29 on the Academic Senate Grants Review Committee be eliminated.

Proposed by: Academic Senate Grants Review Committee
Date: September 18, 2002

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Chair, Academic Senate

Date: June 10, 2003

From: 
Warren J. Baker
President

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Subject: Response to Academic Senate Resolution AS-600-03/GRC
Resolution on Change in Grants Review Committee Membership

I acknowledge receipt of the above-entitled Academic Senate Resolution.