I. Minutes

II. Announcements

III. Reports

The Chair requests written reports for this meeting.

IV. Committee Reports

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V. Business Items

A. TIME CERTAIN: 3:15 p.m.

   Dr. Robert Kully, Faculty Trustee, Board of Trustees

B. Resolution on Commencement (Scriven) (Second Reading) (Attachment)

C. Resolution on EMSA's (Conway) (First Reading) (Attachment)

VI. Discussion Items

A. Reorganization: Procedures for Consideration
Resolution on Commencement

WHEREAS, Serious threats to public safety have been created in the past as a result of overcrowding at Commencement; and

WHEREAS, A plan to alleviate overcrowding at this year's exercises by tightening eligibility requirements has apparently been modified and those eligibility requirements have, once again, been loosened, thus once again, making overcrowding probable; and

WHEREAS, It appears unlikely that the Administration can effectively impose any of the restrictions necessary to avoid overcrowding without causing considerable resentment among students; and

WHEREAS, In the past, student involvement in the actual planning of Commencement procedures has been less than is appropriate for an activity that is essentially a student activity; and

WHEREAS, The Student Senate, as well as the University Commencement Committee and also a special Committee on Graduation, have proposed that overcrowding be eliminated by having two Commencement ceremonies on the same day in June, half of the University's Schools participating in a morning ceremony and the other half in an afternoon ceremony; be it therefore

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate urge the President to implement the aforementioned proposal of the Student Senate in June of 1984; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate urge the President to, in the future, place the highest priority on the counsel of the Student Senate and other student organizations as regards the details of Commencement exercises.
RESOLUTION ON EMSA's (Budget Committee)

WHEREAS, The CSU budget has been drastically cut back in recent years; and

WHEREAS, CSU student fees have risen dramatically to partially make up for these budget cuts; and

WHEREAS, EMSA Funds must come from other areas of the CSU budget already hard hit; and

WHEREAS, Faculty workloads and class sizes have increased significantly over the last decade at the same time that salaries were losing 38% to inflation; and

WHEREAS, Due to the inadequate budget many departments cannot compete in the hiring marketplace for a quality faculty; and

WHEREAS, Offering token rewards to less than five percent of the faculty on this campus is yet another morale-lowering, slap-in-the-face to faculty, staff, and students alike; and

WHEREAS, The EMSA fund amounts to a large sum of approximately one million dollars over the whole system; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the faculty of California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, disapproves in principle the EMSA plan and the subsequent divisiveness it will cause on campuses already crippled by budgetary deficits; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the faculty urge our CFA collective bargainers to refrain from accepting divisive programs like EMSA until the merits of such plans can be discussed and studied more fully and until the budget situation in the CSU system begins to improve significantly.