CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY, SAN LUIS OBISPO  
ACADEMIC SENATE  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - MINUTES  

September 24, 1985  
Fisher Science Building, Room 292, 3:00pm

Chair: Lloyd H. Lamouria  
Vice Chair: Lynne E. Gamble  
Secretary: Raymond D. Terry (Acting Secretary)  

Members Absent: Alan Cooper, Barbara Hallman (Proxy exercised by Susan Currier), Kenneth Riener  

I. MINUTES:  
The minutes of the Academic Senate Executive Committee Meetings of July 16, 1985, and of August 06, 1985, (both previously mailed to all Executive Committee members in August) were approved as written.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS:  
The Chair called the Committee's attention to the items indicated on the agenda:  

A. Academic Retreat, Asilomar, November 15-17  
B. Exchange of memoranda (attached to agenda)  
1) September 06: Fort to Lamouria  
2) September 18: Lamouria to Baker  
3) September 19: Baker to Lamouria  
C. The Chair welcomed President Baker to the meeting. President Baker made the following observations:  
1) Program reviews (while they occur at regular intervals) are important and should not become routine.  
2) The Academic Senate and the faculty, in general, need to play a role in the application of standards. We must individually and collectively assure the rigor of our classes and maintain the integrity of the evaluation process.  
   We must value the students' times. We must have high expectations and develop ways of evaluating the degree to which the student meets our standards.  
3) We must be cognizant of planning which is going on outside the University. For example, the Asilomar Conference will explore the mission of the CSU System.  
4) Two primary issues in the CSU System are:  
   a. The development of a statement of the role and definition of research.  
      There must be support (both locally and statewide) for research without which the University may promote mediocrity and/or decline in stature.  
   b. The need for doctorate granting institutions within the CSU system.
The President indicated that he would welcome advice from the Academic Senate concerning these issues.

II. REPORTS:

The Provost's Report and the Statewide Academic Senator's Reports were inadvertently left off the agenda for this meeting. Due to the lengthy agenda, these reports were postponed until later in the meeting. There was no Provost's Report, as the Provost had to leave the meeting at 4:00 pm to interview an off-campus candidate for the position of Vice Provost for Academic Affairs. Moreover, due to the order in which discussion and business items were taken up, the Statewide Senators' Reports were deferred until the Senate Meeting on October 1, 1985.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. FOUNDATION REPORT: the Chair introduced Howard West, Al Amaral, Lezlie Labhard and Harold Miller who were in attendance to provide information and respond to questions. The following points were made:

1. The Foundation is a public-benefit, non-profit corporation.

   A non-profit corporation is one whose profit is not subject to tax. There is no restriction on the amount of profit a non-profit corporation can make. Rather, the distinction between a non-profit and a for-profit corporation is in how the profit is generated and how it is used.

   Most people think of a Foundation as philanthropic. This is not true in the case of the Cal Poly Foundation.

2. The Foundation is a working corporation 90% of whose income is derived from two sources: the Bookstore and Food Services.

3. The University Service Program is primarily funded by the Foundation. This year a $25,000 fund was set up to fund professional development activities, e.g. international travel funds.

4. The Foundation does not accept requests from individuals to fund projects. Rather, the Foundation funds programs when requested by the University. The Foundation does not want to engage in activities which are beyond the scope of the University or which are not supported by the University.

5. The Foundation Board consists of nine (soon to become ten) members. Meetings occur monthly.

6. The Foundation must maintain reserve funds to meet future needs and/or to guarantee it can provide future services. Such funds exist for rent, maintenance, loans, etc. Each fund is separately maintained.
7. The pricing system established by the Bookstore is competitive. Used books are bought back at 70% of the original price and sold at 75%.

8. Foundation policies are devised so as to retain activities on-campus instead of giving them to off-campus, for-profit businesses.

9. The Foundation has invested in South African companies in the past. It does not intend to divest itself of these investments.

   In the future, with regard to South African investments, the Foundation will limit selection to those companies which adhere to the Sullivan Principles.

   The Foundation policy is a compromise between social responsibility and the Board's fiduciary responsibility.

10. The most-recent Foundation audit is available for inspection, as is a copy of the Foundation's policy statement on South African investments.

11. When there was a deficit in the Athletics Program's Scholarship Assistance Fund, the Foundation provided a "bailout" in the form of a loan which would be repaid over the course of six years at $50,000 per year.

The Chair thanked the visitors for their time and assured them that the Executive Committee's goal was only to become better informed.

B. FUNDING OF DISTINGUISHED TEACHER AWARDS:

   1. President Baker indicated that he planned to transfer $1,500 from Alumni Association and $1,500 from unrestricted Annual Giving to form a fund of $3,000 which would be used to fund three Distinguished Teacher Awards of $1,000 per recipient in 1986.

   2. President Baker further expressed his hope that the amount could be raised to $7,500 or $10,000 within three years so that the amount of each Distinguished Teacher Award will not be less than the amount of each MPPF Award.

   3. In return for partially funding the Distinguished Teacher Awards, the Alumni Association would like the name of the awards to be changed to "Alumni Association Distinguished Teacher Awards" or to "Distinguished Teacher Awards (partially sponsored by the Alumni Association)".

   4. M/S/P (unanimously): The Executive Committee of the Academic Senate approves in principle the President's request that the present Distinguished Teacher Awards be partially sponsored by the Alumni Association and that the name of the award be modified to reflect the sponsorship.
C. REVIEW OF HARD TO HIRE DISCIPLINES:

1. Charles Andrews (Chair: Personnel Policies Committee) put forth the view that each campus of the CSU system must have a committee review the applications by departments for a hard-to-hire classification. The President may reject a recommendation of the committee, but may not enlarge upon the committee's recommendations.

2. President Baker asserted that it made no sense to consult with a committee on what the contract has already mandated. He did, however, believe that such consultation was appropriate now that bargaining has begun on a successor contract.

3. Although the campuses and appropriate committees should make a review, the responsibility for review rests ultimately with the Chancellor.

4. Local review of hard-to-hire classifications shall focus on additions to the list of hard-to-hire disciplines and on continuation of the classification for presently-enumerated hard-to-hire disciplines.

V. Business Items:

A. Constitution & By Laws - John Rogalla, to a second reading

1. John Rogalla was absent. At the Chair's request, Ray Terry presented a summary of the report.

2. The Executive Committee was reminded that this item was made a required time-certain agenda item by the Senate last May when it adjourned for the academic year.

B. Resolution of Leaves with Pay - Ray Terry

1. Susan Currier expressed some concern that the University-wide criteria to be used by the UPLC were new, overlapping, and would result in favoring research proposals to the detriment of leaves for the purpose of study.

2. The Provost noted that the phrase "School of Architecture" should be replaced by "School of Architecture and Environmental Design" throughout the report.

3. It was agreed to go a reading of the criteria and procedures to be used by the UPLC in forming a prioritized list of professional leave applications.

C. Nominee to serve on the Affirmative Action Faculty Development Program, Proposal Review Committee

By consensus, it was decided to hold open the selection of a nominee until October 1, and the Senate Officers will make the selection.

D. Replacement of Mike Hanson (SAGR) on the Fairness Board

1. Due to Mike Hanson's transfer from NRM (SAGR) to Bio Sci (SOSAM) he is no longer eligible to represent the School of Agriculture on the Fairness Board.
2. Jim Ahern (Caucus Chair: SAGR) indicated that Lou Harper (Crop Sci) had been chosen by the Caucus.

3. The Chair announced that the Executive Committee, in accord with its usual policy, endorsed this nomination.

E. Appointment of non-voting senator to represent temporary faculty

1. Nominations include: Marsha Epstein (Computer Science), Gail Wilson (Chemistry), and Sandra M. Dills (English)

2. A secret-ballot election resulted in the appointment of Sandra M. Dills.

F. Appointment of a Parliamentarian

1. The Chair announced that Ray Zeuschner was interested in the position, but his teaching schedule would not permit appointment in the Fall Quarter.

2. Robert Bonds volunteered to serve as Parliamentarian in the Fall, with Zeuschner to serve in the Winter and Spring. The Executive Committee adopted this by consensus.

G. Nominations to the Commencement Speaker Screening Committee

1. The Committee would work on the June 1986 and December 1986 speaker selection.

2. The Chair nominated Mike Hanson (Bio Sci). No other nominations were received.

3. At the Chair's request, and by consensus of the Executive Committee, the selection of a nominee to the committee was held open to October 1, and the Senate Officers will make the selection.

The meeting adjourned at 5:05pm.