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RESOLUTION ON PROMOTION

WHEREAS, Paragraph 342.2.B of the Campus Administrative Manual specifies that "promotion in rank . . . is granted only in recognition of competence, professional performance, and meritorious service during the period in rank," and

WHEREAS, Paragraph 342.2.B of the Campus Administrative Manual stipulates that "recommendations for promotion of individuals are based on the factors and subfactors listed on the Faculty Evaluation-Form with emphasis on merit and ability in each factor," and

WHEREAS, the amount of money provided by the State of California for promotions this year is inadequate to promote at least thirty faculty members who have been deemed worthy of promotion on the basis of the factors specified in the Campus Administrative Manual, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo urge the University Administration, the CSUC Administration, and the Board of Trustees to adhere to the policy specified in the Campus Administrative Manual and ensure that the Legislature provide funds to grant promotions recommended on the basis of merit and ability, and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of California State Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo encourage any faculty member recommended for promotion, but subsequently denied due to lack of funds, to seek the aid of faculty organizations in obtaining redress through grievance procedures and, if necessary, through the courts.
RESOLUTION ON STATE-SUPPORTED SUMMER QUARTER

WHEREAS, The campus of the California Polytechnic State University at San Luis Obispo has been impacted for the last three years, turning away approximately 4,000 applicants annually, and

WHEREAS, Termination of State-Supported Summer Quarter would result in the denial of entrance to a minimum of 1,300 applicants who are now accommodated, and

WHEREAS, The San Luis Obispo curriculum offers degree programs which are unavailable at other CSUC campuses, so that students turned away cannot fulfill their degree objectives elsewhere, and

WHEREAS, During the academic year, 1977-1978, the Summer Quarter accounted for 24 percent of the degrees awarded, and since this campus is operating under an enrollment plateau which has already been met, an equivalent number of new students would have to be denied fall quarter admission, and

WHEREAS, The impaction of the San Luis Obispo campus has already resulted in high percentages of over-utilization of laboratory and other facilities, the pressure thus far only being mitigated by the existence of State-Supported Summer Quarter, and

WHEREAS, The extensive agricultural program by its nature must operate on a year-round basis, and

WHEREAS, The cost of maintaining facilities and grounds continues through the summer whether or not there are students, and

WHEREAS, Students polled during the 1978 Summer Quarter stated their need for State Supported Summer Quarter for the following major reasons: early degree completion (45.6%), could not afford to lengthen education (46.4%), and difficulty in scheduling classes in other quarters (32.0%), and

WHEREAS, The Academic Council and the Administrative Council of the Associated Students, Inc., unanimously support continuation of State-Supported Summer Quarter, and

WHEREAS, The Report of the President of September 15, 1978 indicates that Summer Quarter operations at San Luis Obispo are cost-effective, and

WHEREAS, The termination of State Supported Summer Quarter would result in significant losses in revenue to Food Services, University Bookstore, on-campus housing program, and University Union (losses estimated at $40,000 for the U.U. alone), and

WHEREAS, The community of San Luis Obispo, with a population of approximately 35,000, would suffer an estimated loss of almost $2,000,000.00 of revenue with the termination of State-Supported Summer Quarter, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of the California Polytechnic State University San Luis Obispo, urges in the strongest terms, the continuation of State-Supported Summer Quarter as essential to the educational programs, at this institution, to the needs of the students, and to the best interests of the community.
Memorandum

From: Rodney G. Keif, Chair
Constitution and Bylaws

Subject: Request for Agenda Item

I request the Executive Committee approve the following item from the Constitution and Bylaws Committee as a business item, first reading status, on the agenda of the April 10 Academic Senate meeting.

Bylaws, Section I-B-6

(b) Department Heads - vote for representatives from Department Heads Councils or equivalent administrative units.

Since this should be relatively non-controversial, I intend to move it to second reading status so we can pass on it on April 10.

Yesterday, Anthony Knable told me of a situation in one of the Schools where most or all of their Senators have terms which expire in May. They would like some way to get back into staggered terms. Since the Bylaws don't cover this, I suggested a way it could be handled. To formalize the suggestion for Senate consideration, I propose the following resolution as an agenda business item. It comes not from the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, but from my fevered brow.

WHEREAS, the Bylaws of the Academic Senate (Section II-C) call for staggered terms of office for the Senators of a given constituency, and

WHEREAS, retirements, resignations, leaves, and so forth can cause many unforeseen vacancies which severely unbalance the stagger, and

WHEREAS, the Bylaws do not provide for correcting the balance, therefore be it

RESOLVED: that the Senators from a given constituency may, by two-thirds majority vote, declare prior to solicitation for candidates for election to the Senate how many of the vacancies are for one year terms and how many are for full terms, and be it further

RESOLVED: that this declaration shall be made in writing to the Executive Committee for approval before nominations are sought and that all nominees shall clearly understand the lengths of the terms they seek, and be it further

RESOLVED: that the numerical distribution of one-year and full terms be in accordance with Section II-C of the Bylaws.

I'd like to see this one passed on April 10 also, to help the Election Committee.
RESOLUTION REGARDING STUDENT EVALUATION OF FACULTY

WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees' policy on the student role in the evaluation of teachers requires that we modify Administrative Bulletin 74-1, Guidelines for Student Evaluation of Faculty, so as to clarify the number of student evaluations required; and to formulate a method of summarizing results, and

WHEREAS, FSA 78-B1 from the Chancellor's Office regarding confidentiality permits only signed statements in faculty personnel files, and

WHEREAS, Cal Poly's Academic Senate's Executive Committee, in a memorandum dated July 10, 1978, addressed to President Kennedy, recommended qualitative rather than quantitative summaries of student evaluations; be it

RESOLVED: That Administrative Bulletin 74-1, Guidelines for Student Evaluation of Faculty, Section III, be amended by the addition of the following sentence:

"In cases of reduced teaching loads those faculty members involved will be evaluated annually in at least two courses or sections."

And that Section V be amended to add the following second sentence:

"A concise qualitative written summary of the evaluations will be entered on the Faculty Evaluation Form (Form 109, Rev. 12-76)."

and be it further,

RESOLVED: That faculty evaluation Form 109 be changed so as to strike the last parenthesized sentence under the heading I, and another entry be added below the words, "Evidence of Merit", which would read, "Concise Qualitative Summary of Student Evaluations."