Update on the Cal Poly Plan

200 ideas proposed; collaboration encouraged

The following was prepared by the Academic Affairs office.

Some 200 "statements of intent" have been filed with the Academic Affairs office by individuals and campus groups who plan to write proposals addressing goals outlined by the Cal Poly Plan.

These statements can be reviewed in the Kennedy Library, Academic Senate office, and all university vice presidents' and deans' offices.

Currently, staff personnel are assessing the statements to determine how related proposals might be combined or partnerships encouraged, and individuals will be contacted whose planned projects appear to be linked.

The Cal Poly Plan steering committee is encouraging proposals that reflect collaboration among divisions, departments, and other units even though this quality is not required for a proposal to be selected for funding.

Completed responses to the Steering Committee's "request for proposals" (RFP) is Monday, May 13, and finished proposals will still be accepted on that date from individuals or units that did not file a statement of intent.

Copies of the RFP can be found in the library and Academic Senate office, or they can be requested from Academic Affairs or through an email message addressed to polyplan@obo.

Meanwhile, the steering committee is conducting another student survey, asking for views on the goals, principles, funding priorities, and funding methods for the Cal Poly Plan. The survey is to be distributed to a scientifically constructed sample of classes.

Finally, forums on the Cal Poly Plan, open to all faculty members, students, and staff members, are scheduled for 11 am to 1 pm Tuesday, April 23, in Chumash 204, and from 11 am to 1 pm Tuesday, April 30, in UU 220.

Members of the steering committee will be available to answer questions and receive advice from the campus community.

Modem pool to grow by summer quarter

To improve off-campus access to campus computers, the university will increase the number of its modems and add new high-speed modems by the beginning of summer quarter.

State employees, both faculty and staff members, will have free use of the new pool.

Students, foundation employees, ASI employees, and other university-approved users can have access for an $11 monthly fee. Those who don't want to pay the fee will still have off-campus access to on-line networks through a smaller pool of free modems.

The optional fee for access to the new modem pool, effective June 17, is required because state funding is inadequate to pay for the expansion needed.

How many modems the university adds will depend on how many students and others decide to pay the fee. Information Technology Services plans to add enough devices to ensure at least one modem for every 12 users.

David Walch, interim associate vice president for information technology services, said the pool will provide better service for more hours at a lower price than commercial services do.

Seven other CSU campuses charge students and employees alike at least $12.50 a month for limited service through Sprint, Walch said.

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Chamber concert set for April 28

The Cal Poly Chamber Orchestra will present its annual Spring Concert at 1 pm on Sunday, April 28, in the Theatre.

Conducted by music professor Frederick Lau, the orchestra will perform Rossini's "Barber of Seville" Overture and Mozart's Symphony No. 35. Professor William Spiller will join the Chamber Orchestra as piano soloist for Chopin's Piano Concerto in E minor.

Tickets are $5. Buy them at the Theatre Ticket Office from 10 am to 4 pm Monday through Friday or call the Anytime Artsline at ext. 1421.

For more information, call the Music Department at ext. 2406.

Open House Food Service
Vending Cellar is always open.
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(Open House Hours 10 am -5 pm)

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Rec Sports offering Tai Chi, dance classes
Rec Sports is offering spring workshops in Tai Chi and country line dancing.

The Tai Chi classes will meet in the Martial Arts Room from 6:15 to 7:45 am on Tuesday, April 23, Thursday, May 9, and Tuesday, May 21. The workshops are free.

Tai Chi is a relaxed form of martial art that is designed to awaken inner energy sources.

Country line dancing will be offered from 4 to 6 pm on Sundays beginning April 21 in the Fitness Room. Classes will meet on May 5, 12, and 19. The cost is $6 a session or $20 for all four.

The dance classes are designed for all levels of dancers, from beginner to advanced. Beginning dancers will learn basic footwork and easy line dances. Advanced dancers will be challenged with the latest dance steps and spins.

For more information, call Rec Sports at ext. 1366.

Clarification
In the April 12 edition of the Cal Poly Report, Karen Oakes was listed as one of 17 employees honored by Poly Reps, and her affiliation was given as Grants Development. She also teaches marketing in the College of Business, and it was in that capacity that she was being honored.

Also, Alexis Olds, Speech Communication, was inadventently left off the list of those honored at the event.

Reception set to benefit lab renovation project
Everyone’s invited to a benefit silent auction and wine and cheese reception at 6 tonight (April 19) at the Dallidet Adobe, 1185 Pacific Street in San Luis Obispo.

Proceeds from the event will go toward the Psychology and Human Development Department’s Preschool Lab renovation project. A $7 donation will be collected at the gate.

A dedication ceremony for the Josy Stearns Preschool Laboratory is planned for 2 pm Saturday, April 20, in the Preschool Lab, located in Room 125 in the Math and Home Economics Building. Stearns, a former child development professor, died of cancer in 1992.

Writing contest winners to read work April 20
Winners of the 1996 Creative Writing Contest will read their poetry and fiction at 7 pm Saturday, April 20, in the Sandwich Plant.

Three winners were named in each category, and eight students received honorable mention for fiction and two for poetry.

Admission and refreshments will be free. The Creative Writing Contest Awards Reading is sponsored by the English Department, College of Liberal Arts, WriterSpeak and Cal Poly Arts. Other funding for the contest comes from the Michael Gamber Memorial Fund, established by an anonymous donor.

Winning entries to this year’s contest appear in Cal Poly’s annual literary publication, “Byzantium.” Copies will be available for purchase at the reading. Copies can also be bought at El Corral Bookstore and at Cal Poly Downtown beginning Saturday, April 20.

For more information, call Kevin Clark, English professor and coordinator of WriterSpeak, at ext. 2506.
Library honors 150 student assistants

The Kennedy Library honored its more than 150 student assistants at a 4th annual Ice Cream Social this week.

Special honors were awarded to five students who have accumulated the highest number of working hours during their tenure at the library: Christine Dalquist from Current Periodicals; Garnet Dublin, Interlibrary Loans; Lyndon Duggs, Reserve; Debora Lewis, Acquisitions; and Heather Mehlischau, Circulation.

The library urges faculty and staff members to tell students about job opportunities in the library. Interested students should call the Library Administration office at ext. 2345.

Employees invited to join ‘Stampede’

Faculty and staff members are invited to become members of the Stampede Club, a fund-raising and season-ticket drive that entitles members to a variety of sports and other benefits.

Employees can elect to pay the club package cost of $500 through payroll deduction. Membership includes:
- Two reserved season tickets to two selected sports.
- Priority parking for the 1996 football season.
- Two tickets to the football kickoff barbecue.
- Priority points toward seat assignment in the new athletic facilities.
- Discount ticket prices for all athletic events.
- Donor recognition and tax deductions.

Club members will be assigned the best available seats in the sports selected.

For each Stampede Club Package purchased, members can buy two additional season tickets for a selected sport.

The fund drive ends May 31. Donations to the club support scholarships for more than 400 student-athletes. To sign up or for more information, call ext. 1741.

Summer Grant proposals deadline extended

The deadline to submit proposals for Summer Grants has been extended to Friday, May 3.

Underrepresented tenure-track faculty members are invited to submit proposals for grants up to $5,000 to support research and other scholarly activities that will help them obtain tenure and promotion.

For an application and guidelines call Affirmative Action at ext. 2062 or stop by Adm. 401.

Research Forum planned for May 21

The Sponsored Programs and Grants Development offices are planning the 2nd annual Research Forum from 8:30 am to noon on Tuesday, May 21, in UU 220.

The forum will include presentations by faculty members involved in research and administrators who help support research efforts.

An open discussion will also be held about ways to promote and support research on campus.

Appointments

Robert Smidt of the Statistics Department has been appointed chair of the department, effective fall quarter, 1996. Smidt, who came to Cal Poly in 1978, will serve for three years.

Fresno resident Kenneth Solomon has been selected head of the Agricultural Engineering Department. He will begin his duties July 1.

College of Agriculture plans get-together

The College of Agriculture will host alumni and retired faculty members from the Central Coast at a brunch at 10 am Saturday, April 20, at Ag Circle.

Current and former faculty members will attend. Those expected to participate include former college deans Howard Brown and Lark Carter as well as Ed Carnegie, Royce Lambert, Jack Algeo, Duane Seaburg, Gene Starkey and Wally Glidden.

The brunch costs $5, and tickets will be sold at the event. For more information, call April Karys, College of Agriculture development coordinator, at ext. 5370.

Cal Poly student team wins landscape contest

A team of students from the Environmental Horticultural Science Department took first place in a national landscape competition.

This marks the eighth time in 10 years that the Cal Poly team won the annual Student Career Days and Landscape Competition, hosted this year by the Cal Poly department and the Associated Landscape Contractors of America.

Teams from 30 schools across the country participated along with 175 industry professionals—a total of 675 people.

Cal Poly students took first place in six of the 20 events. Every member of the team had at least one finish in the top five.

Cal Poly came in first in the school competition with 3,218 points, followed by Colorado State University, 2,989; North Carolina State University, 2,891; Cincinnati State, 2,748; Cal Poly Pomona, 2,668, and Virginia Tech, 2,642.
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Admission charged — $  

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Open House: Cal Poly annual Open House. Invited guests only. Open to public on Saturday, April 20.  

Women’s Tennis: American West Championship, Tennis Courts. Through Sunday, April 21, all day. For information, call Mustang Sports Hotline, ext. 7267.  

Baseball: CSU Sacramento, SLO Stadium, 2 pm. Also on Saturday and Sunday, April 20-21. ($)

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Music: Music Department student recital. Davidson Music Bldg. 218, 7:30pm.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

Music: The King’s Singers, a cappella sextet. Church of the Nazarene, Pismo Beach, 8 pm. ($)

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

Job Fair: Teacher Job Fair. Chumash, 9 am.

TUESDAY, APRIL 22

Open Forum: Learn about the Cal Poly Plan with members of the plan steering committee. Chumash 204, 11 am.

WriterSpeak/Poly Voices: Creative Writing Contest Awards Reading featuring winners of the contest. Sandwich Plant, 7 pm.

Music: Cal Poly Open House Wind Band Festival Concert with the University Jazz Band, Cal Poly Wind Orchestra, and the statewide high school Festival Wind Orchestra. Theatre, 8 pm. Also at 2:30 pm Sunday, April 21. ($)  

STATE (Adm. 110, ext. 2236 or job line at ext. 1533). Official application forms must be received by 4 pm of the closing date or be postmarked by the closing date. (No faxes)

CLOSING DATE: May 28

FACULTY (Adm. 312, ext. 2844)  
Candidates interested in positions on the faculty are invited to contact the appropriate dean or department head or chair. Ranks and salaries for faculty positions are commensurate with qualifications and experience (and time base where applicable) unless otherwise stated.

CLOSING DATE: May 15

#63058: Lecturer Pool (part-time), Biological Sciences Department, ext. 2788. Possible temporary part-time positions available during the 1996-97 academic year as determined by need. M.S. in biological sciences or related discipline required. Successful college teaching experience preferred. Call department for more information or application form.

Position vacancies

Vacancy information and applications for the following positions are available from the appropriate Human Resources office. Vacancy information can also be accessed from the Cal Poly Home Page on the World Wide Web (address: http://www.calpoly.edu; click on “General Information” and “Current Events”).

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#63057: Lecturer Pool (part-time), Chemistry and Biochemistry Department, ext. 2693. Possible temporary part-time positions available during the 1996-97 academic year as determined by need for summer, fall, winter and/or spring quarters. Duties include teaching undergraduate chemistry lectures and laboratories. Prefer Ph.D.; minimum requirement B.S. in chemistry, biochemistry, or chemical engineering. Professional teaching experience desired.

CLOSING DATE: May 6

#63087: Lecturer Pool (part-time), Graphic Communication Department, ext. 1108. Possible temporary part-time positions available during the 1996-97 academic year as determined by need to teach one or more subjects dealing with printing management, computers and printing technology, and design reproduction technology, including various specialties. Ph.D. or master’s degree preferred; B.S. or B.A. required in related technical field with substantial and appropriate industry experience. Prior teaching experience desired. Submit curriculum vitae, three letters of reference, and official university transcripts by closing date to: Harvey Levenson, department head.

CLOSING DATE: August 1 or until positions are filled.

#63097: Tenure Track Positions (full-time), Architectural Engineering Department, ext. 1314; fax ext. 5986. Assistant professor level positions available contingent upon funding, beginning Jan. 2, 1997, to teach structural analysis and structural design of buildings. A doctorate in structural engineering is the standard requirement for appointment. Special consideration will be given to candidates with experience in both the academic environment and structural engineering practice as they relate to architecture. Candidates with a master’s degree in structural engineering, teaching experience in structural engineering and exceptional experience in practice will also be given serious consideration. For application or more information contact department.