CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY San Luis Obispo, California 93407 ACADEMIC SENATE

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Tuesday, September 20 2011 01-409, 3:10 to 5:00pm

- I. Minutes: none.
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): none.

III. Reports:

- A. Academic Senate Chair: Fernflores reported that due to the lack of time to pass a resolution on the proposed changes to the presidential search policy and presidential candidate campus visits, she wrote a letter to the Chancellor and Board of Trustee members that summarized comments she had received from some faculty and staff members. She also announced that Provost candidates will be visiting campus during the next two weeks.
- B. President's Office: Kinsley thanked everyone for their participation at fall conference.
- C. Provost: Koob announced that current enrollment for fall quarter is 16,030 FTES resident students and 1,252.6 FTES non-resident students. The decision to lower the enrollment target by 2% proved beneficial since Cal Poly experienced a 3% increase in show rate. The increase in show rate indicates our competitive cost when compared to the UC system.
- D. Statewide Senate: Foroohar reported on the following issues discussed at the statewide meeting: 1- Bernadette Cheyne (Humboldt) was introduced as the new faculty trustee. The position had been vacant for the past two years because the former governor refused to appoint a trustee from the Senate's recommended list. 2- There was a lengthy discussion of SB 1440 implementation, including the impact on American Institutions requirements, faculty control of the curriculum, and political considerations. 3- The ASCSU constitutional amendment dealing with academic freedom is moving along and will almost certainly pass once the remaining campuses vote. 4-Resolution on "Response to Proposed Changes to the Board of Trustees Policy for the Selection of Presidents: Affirming the importance of Campus Involvement and Transparency." The resolution supports the current practice of campus visits for presidential candidates and opposes the possibility of internal candidates being selected without a formal search, while supporting the inclusion of internal candidates in the presidential pools was approved.
 - LoCascio reported that on its September 15-16 meeting, the following resolutions were discussed: the establishment of a CSU Professional Doctorate Advisory Committee, the establishment of California Community College (CCC) General Education (GE) Pattern and Nursing Prerequisite Course to match the CSU GE breadth requirement, maintaining the quality in the CSU, presidential compensation in the CSU, maintenance of public access to the California Postsecondary Education Committee (CPEC) data, Compass project, and the recognition of the 50th anniversary of the California State University.
- E. CFA Campus President: Thorncroft announced that the target date for a new contract will be known by the middle of October.
- F. ASI Representative: Tabrizi announced that there are 200 job openings for the new Rec Center scheduled to open on January 2012. Information and timelines are available at

ASI.calpoly.edu. Cal Poly students passed a resolution stating that they are not in support of waiving campus visits by presidential candidates.

- G. Caucus Chairs: none.
- H. Other: none.
- IV. Consent Agenda: none.
- V. Business Items:
 - A. **Academic Senate and university committee vacancies for 2011-2013:** The following were approved:

College of Architecture and Environmental Design

Graduate Programs Subcommittee James Doerfler, Arch

College of Science and Math

Curriculum Committee John Walker, Stats Fairness Board Jonathan Shapiro, Math

Campus Planning Committee Renoda Campbell, Student Life & Leadership

Academic Assessment Council Beth Chance, Stats

B. **Academic Senate committee charges for 2011-2012:** The charges presented were approved with the following additions:

Curriculum Committee – continue discussion of course proposal forms and consider changes (could include statement of alignment between program objectives or ULO's with course outcomes)

Faculty Affairs Committee – look into a policy for securing insurance for faculty for international travel and prepare a report or resolution.

- C. Resolution on Modification to *Bylaws of the Academic Senate*, Section III: Election Procedures (Executive Committee): Fernflores presented the resolution which requests the addition of procedural language specific to matters requiring a vote by the General Faculty. M/S/P to agendize.
- D. Resolution on Protecting the "American Institutions" Requirements at Cal Poly (Academic Senate Liberal Arts Caucus Chair and Assistant Professor of History): Lewis Call presented the resolution which requests that Cal Poly not waive the American Institutions requirement for any baccalaureate degree, that Cal Poly request that the California state legislature amend "The Student Transfer Achievement Reform Act" for clarification, and that Cal Poly reaffirm its commitment that all graduates should demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of the workings of American democracy and the society in which they live. M/S/P to agendize.
- VI. Discussion Item(s): none, due to lack of time.
- VII. Adjournment: 5:30 pm

Submitted by,

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