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

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE MEETING Tuesday, March 6, 2012 UU220, 3:10 to 5:00pm

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

III. Reports:

- A. Academic Senate Chair: Fernflores reported that many Academic Senate and University Committees still have vacancies for the 2012-2013 academic year. Academic Senate and Executive agendas now include bookmarks in order to facilitate finding different parts of the document.
- B. President's Office: Kinsley reported that 7,622 students participated in the Student Success Fee advisory vote with 57% voting in favor and 43% opposing the fee increase. President Armstrong is evaluating the vote as well as formal endorsements of support and opposition submitted by recognized students groups.
- C. Provost: Enz Finken reported that ongoing conversations with many campus groups revolve around the issue of orientation or workshops for professional development of department chairs/heads, the schedule for fall conference, and whether the activities serve the needs of students, faculty, and staff. In addition, at the last Deans Council meeting, the summer budget and ways to create a better budget model were discussed.
- D. Vice Provost for Student Affairs: Allen reported that Cal Poly is working with the students displaced by the recent house fire. All the students are fine but they have lost everything. Donations are being accepted.
- E. Statewide Senate: none.
- F. CFA Campus President: none.
- G. ASI Representative: none.
- IV. Consent Agenda: ARCE 260 History of Structures was approved.

V. Business Item(s):

- A. Resolution on Support and Commendation for President Armstrong's Defense of Academic Freedom (Executive Committee): Foroohar presented this resolution requesting the commendation of President Armstrong for his strong leadership in protecting the core principles of academic freedom. M/S/P to approve the resolution.
- B. Resolution on Concentration Definition (Curriculum Committee): Schaffner presented this resolution, which revises the definition of concentrations on CAM beginning with the 2013-2015 catalog. M/S/P to approve the resolution.

VI. Special Reports:

A. Marisa Ramirez, Digital Repository Librarian: demonstration for viewing Academic Senate documents now stored on DigitalCommons. DigitalCommons is the university online archive based out of the Kennedy Library, which offers faculty the opportunity to place their scholarship online, as well as housing senior projects, posters, thesis, etc. DigitalCommons will digitize the Academic Senate's agendas, minutes, and resolutions from 1968 to the present. Every item is assigned a persistent URL so there is no link breakage and it is easy to cite.

You can find the Academic Senate information at: http://digitalcommons.calpoly.edu/academicsenate/ If you are interested in getting your scholarship online or if you want to discuss publishing historical items such as publications and newsletters, please contact Marisa Ramirez at mramir14@calpoly.edu.

- B. Brian Tietje, Dean for Continuing Education: update on summer quarter.

 Summer 2011 was successful and we hope that summer 2012 continues to attract students and provide them with options to make progress to degree. The primary rule about summer running through continuing education is that it is financially self-supported. Faculty compensation plan is based on the site agreement for collective bargaining with CFA, therefore the current compensation plan is in effect until a new contract agreement is reached. Stipends are being offered to faculty who wish to convert their courses to online or hybrid courses. Continuing Education has had great success in working on refining the agreement with the faculty on the online component, making sure that everybody's rights as it relates to the content is protected. Summer 2012 will consist of one 8-week term. This year, a flat per unit fee of \$289 has been approved, which is more in line with the self-support model. A marketing campaign is planned with TV, print, radio, and newspaper ads. Included in the marketing campaign will be a series of emails to super seniors and students on academic probation as well as distinct emails to junior and seniors.
- C. David Conn, AVP for Institutional Review: veterans support group.

 A task force was established last summer to look at the needs of student veterans and student dependents of veterans on campus. The need arose after a student veteran complained about how he was treated and the services available to him. Almost simultaneously, in August there was a publication of the CSU Student Veteran Research Project based on research done on all 23 CSU campuses to see how veterans are being treated. Campuses were scored on seven criteria and with the exception of one criteria, Cal Poly was last on all of them. A subcommittee comprised of student veterans, faculty, and staff developed a SurveyGizmo survey. The survey was sent to 381 recipients with 35 student veterans and 62 student dependents of veterans responding. The survey revealed that the needs of veterans and dependents differ greatly and include items such as the need for a single website as a point of contact for on-and-off campus resources, mentoring, access to designated Cal Poly employees, etc.
- D. Kevin Lertwachara, chair of the Instruction Committee and Teri Bruns, ITS

 Collaboration Support: Class aliases management, use and misuse of distribution lists

 The way class aliases are currently set up, anyone can utilize them to send emails. The

 Instruction Committee discussed the problem with students who are using the class aliases to
 send class notes and other unauthorized material. Right now, the Instruction Committee is
 looking at changing the default settings for class alias, so that the faculty member is the only
 ones who can send emails to their class. ITS is recommending that we wait until fall 2012 to
 make the change.

VII. Adjournment: 5:00 pm

Submitted by,

Gladys Gregory Academic Senate