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

MINUTES OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Tuesday, April 17 2012 01-409, 3:10 to 5:00pm

- Minutes: Minutes of the March 27 2012 Executive Committee meeting were approved as presented.
- II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): none.

III. Reports:

- A. Academic Senate Chair: (Fernflores) The Chair will be meeting with Assemblyman Sam Blakeslee this Friday from 1:00-2:00pm to discuss the possibility of establishing a Center on Public Policy, which would be open to all colleges. Everyone is welcome to attend this meeting. Next Tuesday, April 24, there will be a special Senate meeting with President Armstrong to talk about strategic planning. Five faculty focus groups will also be formed next week to give faculty an opportunity to discuss this matter with President Armstrong. A memo will go out to faculty soon.
- B. President's Office: (Kinsley) This Friday is the President's Cabinet meeting from 9:00am to 12:00pm. It is an open session for the campus and community. Information on this year's topic, "Leveraging Technology to Enhance Student Learning," is available at the President's Office website. Speakers from other universities will be present at this year's meeting.
- C. Provost: (Enz Finken) Changes to WOW Week and SOAR are being discussed for next year. What type of activities would be most useful for new faculty during Fall Conference are also being reviewed. A mini retreat for department chairs may be offered next fall so chairs can brainstorm what would be helpful to them. Possible workshops could then be scheduled during the year. The Department Chairs Council might be a venue for this.
- D. Statewide Senate: (LoCascio) LoCascio gave a summary of the resolutions and topics the statewide Academic Affairs Committee discussed at its last meeting. These include: sustainability and the curriculum, a ban on the sale of tobacco products in the CSU, Title 5 changes regarding degree requirements, and making textbooks more affordable for students. (Foroohar) Two resolutions on academic freedom were discussed. The constitutional resolution, which all campuses voted on last year, was revised and revisions accepted by Chancellor Reed. The modification will return to campuses for a vote and then forwarded to the Board of Trustees for approval.
- E. CFA Campus President: (Thorncroft) The strike vote started yesterday. The turnout has been very good. It is important that faculty send a unified voice to the Chancellor. There has been some movement at the bargaining table. (Liddicoat) All bargaining proposals are now online. Much has been agreed upon. There are only small articles left to negotiate.
- F. ASI Representative: none.

- H. Other: none.
- IV. Consent Agenda: none.
- V. Business Item(s):
 - Resolution on Conflict of Interest in the Assignment of Course Materials: The Instruction Committee has been working on this resolution for some time. The policy of bookstore operations allows faculty, working with El Corral to assemble course packs, to receive up to 10% of the selling price as a royalty. But the policy does not address faculty working with outside organizations where there is no cap on royalties. The proposal put forth in this resolution states that if a faculty member has any say on selecting the textbook for a course, they cannot accept a royalty payment. If there are multiple sections of a course and the faculty member recuses her/himself from the selection committee, then a conflict of interest does not exist and they would be allowed to collect a royalty. The faculty member may choose to return the royalties to the University as a donation. (Foroohar) I have mixed feelings about this. We encourage faculty to write books and now we will be telling them not to make money from it? (Burgunder) Trying to lump course packs with published textbooks may be too broad for the resolution to pass. I would prefer a resolution that is narrower. (Liddicoat) Now you can publish electronically and on the web. That is where more of the abuse is. Having a policy will help. (Lertwachara) We did not see a clear difference between course packs and textbooks. The resolution is trying to close loopholes. (Giberti) I'm not convinced this resolution is ready to be agendized. There is still the issue of who is going to enforce the policy. M/S/F to agendize (4-6).
 - B. [Possible] Resolution on International Initiatives: The resolution was not received in time to be placed on today's agenda.
 - C. Approval of OCOB senators: Lee Burgunder and Ty Mackey were approved to fill the two OCOB Senate vacancies for 2012-2014.
 - D. Approval of CSM senator: Charles Knight was approved to fill the CSM Senate vacancy for 2012-2014.
 - E. Approval of caucus chairs for 2012-13: Gary Laver was approved as CLA caucus chair and Shannon Stephens as PCS caucus chair for 2012-2013.
 - F. Approval of calendar of meetings 2012-2013: M/S/P to approve (one abstention).
 - G. Academic Senate committee vacancies for 2012-2014: (Burgunder/Derelian) M/S/P to approve slate where only one person has applied (unanimous)

CAFES

Curriculum

Michael Costello, Horti&Crop Science Lauren Garner, Horti&Crop Science

Grants

CAED

Curriculum

Phil Barlow, Construction Mgmt

OCOB

Curriculum DSA

Stern Neill, Marketing Colette Frayne, Mgmt

CENG

Curriculum Sustainability Brian Self, Mech Engr David Braun, Elec Engr

CLA

B&LRP Curriculum Paul Rinzler, Music Greg Bohr, SocSci

DSA

Ken Macro, Graphic Comm

Faculty Affairs

Ken Brown, Philo

Instruction R&PDC Sustainability Ronald Den Otter, PoliSci Dustin Stegner, English Daniel Levi, Psyc&CD

CSM

B&LRP

Sam Frame, Statistics

DTA

Nanine Van Draanen, Chem & BioChem

Grants Sustainability Antonio Garcia, Physics Robert Echols, Physics

H. University committee vacancies for 2012-2013:

M/S/P to approve slate where only one person has applied (unanimous) Approval for Athletics Governing Board member tabled until May 8 meeting. Academic Council for International Programs - Charles Chadwell, Civil Engr Accommodation Review Board - Thomas Korman, Construction Mgmt Advisory Committee on Workplace Violence - Thomas Korman, Const Mgmt ASI Board of Directors - Jim LoCascio, Mech Engr Cal Poly Corporation Board of Directors - Kim Shollenberger, Mech Engr Cal Poly Plan Steering Committee – Sam Frame, Statistics Campus Safety and Risk Management Committee - Bill Kellog, Ag Ed & Comm Coordinating Com on AIDS and HIV Infection - Virginia Anderson, Theatre & Dance Disability Access and Compliance Committee – Aric Shafran, Economics Intellectual Property Review Committee - Marisa Ramirez, Library International Education and Programs Council - Kevin Fagan, Mod Langs & Lits Sustainability Advisory Committee - Alison Mackey, Mgmt

I. Appointment of Academic Senate committee chairs for 2012-2013:

M/S/P to appoint incumbents (unanimous). The following individuals were appointed:

Budget and Long Range Planning Curriculum

Distinguished Scholarship Awards

GE Governance Board

Grants Review

Research & Professional Development

Samuel Frame, Statistics Andrew Schaffner, Statistics

Brett Bodemer, Library

Josh Machamer, Theatre & Dance

Ken Griggs, Management

Franz Kurfess, Computer Science

VI. Discussion Item(s):

VII. Adjournment: 5:00pm

Submitted by,

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