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

MINUTES OF THE
ACADEMIC SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Tuesday, May 8 2012
01-409, 3:10 to 5:00pm

I. Minutes: None.

II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s): None.

III. Reports:

A. Academic Senate Chair: (Fernflores) The Chair has been told by statewide senator Foroohar that the CSU is not taking any further action on the issue of for-profit sites, especially Course Hero. A meeting was held last Friday with California State Senator, Sam Blakeslee, to discuss his proposal for a public policy center at Cal Poly. It was a very productive meeting and the proposal could come to the Academic Senate as early as fall quarter 2012.

B. President's Office: (Kinsley) The President's focus groups will continue to meet until mid-May. The President has much appreciation for everyone that has attended. Valuable input has been received. Details on Faculty Trustee Bernadette Cheyne's visit to Cal Poly on May 29 and 30 will be available soon. Kinsley was asked whether any information was available on the 'quarters versus semesters' issue. Kinsley replied there was nothing to report at this time. If a decision to move to semesters is decided, faculty, staff, and students will all need to be involved.

C. Provost: (Enz Finken) None.

D. Statewide Senate: (Foroohar) More than 20 resolutions were approved at the last plenary session, five of them are very important for the future of academic freedom and shared governance. . The resolution amending the *Constitution of the Academic Senate of the CSU* to include a statement on academic freedom will return to campuses for a vote before going to the Chancellor's Office and Board of Trustees. The joint statement on academic freedom signed by Presidents Armstrong, Hellenbrand and Welty was also endorsed by the ASCSU. Three other resolutions were approved to established clear procedures for implementation of shared governance.

E. At the statewide meeting, The Vice President for Finance reported on various ideas for dealing with potential budget cuts. One idea was to create a charter campus (or two); however, the idea is opposed by Chancellor Reed.

F. CFA Campus President: (Thorncroft) None.

F. ASI Representative: (Tabrizi) Students have been discussing and are concerned about the possible CSU faculty strike and how it will affect their education. All options are being discussed by the statewide student organization, CSSA, for dealing with the budget crisis. An ASI resolution will be forwarded to the Senate on "The Mustang

Way." This is a new project anticipated to infuse students with a sense of pride and responsibility. ASI would like to make it a campus-wide statement.

G. Other: None.

IV. Consent Agenda: None.

V. Business Item(s):

A. **Resolution on eLearning Policy**: This resolution has been reviewed and approved by numerous groups and individuals and all support its recommendations. The Curriculum Committee has been waiting for a policy on eLearning for its use in reviewing courses. M/S/P to agendize.

B. **University committees, remaining vacancies for 2012-2013**: M/S/P to appoint Kirsten O'Halloran Cardinal (BioMed & GenEngr) to the Athletics Governing Board.

C. **Approval of CSM senator**: M/S/P to approve Lana Grishchenko (Math) to fill the remaining vacancy in CSM.

D. **Academic Senate committees, remaining vacancies for 2012-2014**: M/S/P to approve the following:

From Orfalea College of Business:

Jeffrey Danes (Marketing)	Budget & Long Range Planning Committee
Alison Mackey (Management)	Faculty Affairs Committee
Ken Griggs (Management)	Grants Review Committee

To the Curriculum Appeals Committee:

Dave Hannings (Horticulture & Crop Science)
Doug Keesey (English)

E. **Approval of Academic Senate committee chairs**: M/S/P to approve the following:

Distinguished Teaching Awards Com	Nanine Van Draanen (Chem&BioChem)
Faculty Affairs Committee	Ken Brown (Philosophy)
Fairness Board	Jonathan Shapiro (Math)
Instruction Committee	Dustin Stegner (English)
Sustainability Committee	Neal MacDougall (Agribusiness)

F. **Approval of caucus chairs for 2012-13**: M/S/P to approve the following:

Orfalea College of Business	Norm Borin (Marketing)
College of Engineering	Eric Mehiel (AeroEngr)
College of Science & Mathematics	Dylan Retsek (Math)

VI. Discussion Item(s): None.

VII. Adjournment: 4:15pm

Submitted by,

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Academic Senate