Meeting of the Academic Senate Executive Committee
Tuesday, April 7, 2015
01-409, 3:10 to 5:00pm

I. Minutes: Approval of February 17 and February 24 Executive Committee minutes. (pp. 2-5).

II. Communication(s) and Announcement(s):

III. Reports:
A. Academic Senate Chair:
B. President’s Office:
C. Provost:
D. Statewide Senate:
E. CFA:
F. ASI:

IV. Business Item(s):
A. Appointment to Academic Senate committee for spring quarter 2015: (p. 6).
B. Appointment of Zach Vowell (replacement for Mark Bieraugel) to the Academic Senate PCS caucus for 2015-2016.
C. [TIME CERTAIN 4:00 PM] Resolution on Proposal to Establish a Master of Science in Nutrition: Aydin Nazmi, Food Science and Nutrition Department (pp. 7-14).
D. Resolution to Amend the Definition of Membership of the General Faculty on the Constitution of the Faculty: Manzar Foroohar, Statewide Senator (pp. 15-16).
F. Resolution to Add the Function of Task Forces: Gary Laver, Academic Senate Chair (pp. 22).
G. [TIME CERTAIN 4:30 PM] Approval of application process for exceptional levels of service to students for 2014-2015 and 2015-2016: Ken Brown, chair of Faculty Affairs Committee (to be distributed at meeting).
H. [TIME CERTAIN 4:45 PM] Resolution on the New Registration System: Tom Gutierrez, CSM Caucus Chair and Harvey Greenwald, Math Department (p. 23).
I. Appointments to Academic Senate committees for 2015-2017: (pp. 24-29).
J. Appointments to University committees for 2015-2016: (pp. 30-37).

V. Discussion Item(s):

VI. Adjournment:
I. Minutes: M/S/P to approve the Executive Committee minutes from January 27, 2015.

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

III. Reports:
   A. Academic Senate Chair (Laver): Harvey Greenwald sent in a follow up to AS-784-14 Resolution on Use of Conflict Materials in the Democratic Republic of Congo. The follow up contained an article on Apple’s efforts to limit the use of conflict materials. The article can be found here: http://blogs.wsj.com/digits/2015/02/11/apple-claims-progress-on-conflict-minerals/
   B. President’s Office (Kinsley): There will be an upcoming visit from the County Supervisor, Lynn Compton that will be similar to the visit by Councilmember Dan Rivoire. The search for the Vice President of Administration and Finance continues, but they hope to have an announcement in the upcoming weeks.
   C. Provost: none.
   D. Statewide Senate: none.
   E. CFA Campus President (Archer): The CFA is conducting a survey to garner people’s opinions about their salaries. There will be an option to select the campus the faculty member belongs to and data will be collected for Cal Poly.
   F. ASI Representative: none.

IV. Special Report:
   Report on new contract provisions for awarding assigned time for exceptional service activities. Graham Archer, CFA President, Bruno Giberti, College of Architecture, and Sean Hurley, Agribusiness, presented their ideas after reviewing existing committees on campus that deal with service. M/S/P to give the Faculty Affair Committee a charge to establish the application/evaluation procedures concerning assigned time for exceptional levels of service to students followed by the Academic Senate creating an ad hoc committee that will be charged with reviewing the applications.

V. Business Item(s):
   A. Resolution on Changes in Academic Senate Grants Review Committee Membership and Responsibilities: Jeanine Scaramozzino, chair of the Grants Review Committee, returned with the resolution to make changes in Grants Review Committee’s membership and responsibilities to be compliant with current practices. M/S/P to agendize the resolution on changes in Academic Senate Grant Review Committee membership and responsibilities with the following changes:

   2. The Grants Review Committee will make recommendations to the Dean of Research concerning the funding of other internal grants subject to review by the source of funding.
B. Approval of decoupling the General Engineering Program from the Biomedical and General Engineering Department: Robert Crockett, Director, General Engineering Program, spoke on decoupling the Biomedical and General Engineering Departments. M/S/P to approve the decoupling of the General Engineering program from the Biomedical and General Engineering Department and to present this to the Senate as a consent agenda item.

VI. Discussion Item(s): 
Response to ASCSU Resolution on Improving Campus Response to Sexual Assault and Sexual Violence: The ASCSU Resolution on Improving Campus Response to Sexual Assault and Sexual Violence was discussed. Due to recent changes to state law regarding sexual assault and sexual violence on campuses, the resolution calls on all campus Presidents and Senates to review current sexual violence policies to guarantee they reflect newly emerging exemplary practices and specify clear reporting structures. It was decided that the Academic Senate should make a statement in the form of a resolution on what the university has done historically and is currently doing regarding sexual assault and sexual violence.

VII. Adjournment: 5:00 pm

Submitted by,

Alex Ye
Academic Senate Student Assistant
I. Minutes: none.

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

III. Reports:
   A. Academic Senate Chair: none.
   
   B. President's Office: none.
   
   C. Provost: none.
   
   D. Statewide Senate (Foroohar/LoCascio): Foroohar reported on her virtual meeting where the Statewide Faculty Affairs Committee is working on a new resolution that requests the Chancellor’s Office and the Board of Trustees to develop a ten year plan to increase the tenure-track faculty ratio 75% and bring the student-faculty ratio to 1 to 18. LoCascio spoke on his committee meeting where the biggest discussion was on community colleges offering bachelor degrees. He also stated that there is high demand for nursing in the CSU, but the number of CSU nursing faculty is low.
   
   E. CFA Campus President (Archer): The CFA is conducting two surveys to garner people’s opinions about parking and their salaries. Salary information for Cal Poly will be collected.
   
   F. ASI Representative: none.

IV. Business Item(s):
   A. Resolution on Approving Assessment Process for Courses Meeting Sustainability Learning Objectives: David Braun, chair of the Sustainability Committee, presented a resolution that charges the Sustainability Committee with developing a process to vet sustainability courses for SUSCAT. M/S/P to agendize the Resolution on Approving Assessment Process for Courses Meeting Sustainability Learning Objectives.
   
   B. Appointment to Academic Senate committee for Winter and Spring 2015: M/S/P to appoint Hugh Smith, Computer Science, to the Faculty Affairs Committee.

V. Discussion Item(s):
   A. Assigned time for 2015-2016: Laver presented the assigned time for Academic Senate Committees for the 2015-2016 academic year to the Executive Committee. Laver asked the Executive Committee for input regarding the assigned time prior to negotiations with the Provost.
B. **Definition of General Faculty, Academic Senate membership, and election of part-time academic employee:** Foroohar presented the possible revisions to the Constitution of the Faculty and Bylaws of the Academic Senate to include updated definitions of general faculty, academic senate membership, and election of part-time faculty. The changes are being made to make the Constitution of the Faculty and Bylaws of the Academic Senate match the definitions found in the contract.

VI. Adjournment: 5:00 pm

Submitted by,

Alex Ye
Academic Senate Student Assistant
2014-2016 Academic Senate Committees Vacancies

**College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences**
- Distinguished Teaching Awards Committee
- Instruction Committee
- Sustainability Committee (2014-2015) – replace Neal MacDougall

**College of Architecture and Environmental Design**

**College of Science and Math**
- Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee

**Professional Consultative Services**
- Distinguished Teaching Awards Committee (2014-2015)
- Faculty Affairs Committee
- Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities Committee (spring 2015)
  - **Mark Bieraugel, Library (3 years at Cal Poly) Tenure Track**
    - I bring to this committee experience in serving as both an academic senator and serving on the Executive Committee as PCS caucus chair.

As a faculty member required to do research and publish I have worked hard to understand the teacher-scholar model. I bring a unique point of view to this committee as a librarian who both supports faculty in their research by consultations with my faculty, and purchases resources used by faculty for their research.

My recent research on innovative thinking includes studying productive research environments (PREs) which aim to increase faculty research productivity.

2014-2015 University Committee Vacancies

- Academic Assessment Council (1 vacancy) – CAFES (2014-2015)
- Athletics Advisory Board (2 vacancies) - (2014-2017) and (2014-2016)
- Campus Dining Advisory Committee (2014-2016)
- Campus Safety and Risk Management Committee (2014-2015)
- Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (2014-2016)
WHEREAS, There is a demonstrated state and national-level need for individuals with advanced training in the nutrition sciences, and

WHEREAS, The existing Master of Science in Agriculture with Specialization in Food Science & Nutrition is in high demand but does not contain a nutrition-specific core of courses and the distinguished status of a stand-alone MS Nutrition, and

WHEREAS, The proposed Cal Poly Graduate Group in Nutrition was developed in partnership with and will create interdisciplinary collaborative opportunities for faculty and students across at least nine academic departments, and

WHEREAS, The Academic Senate Curriculum Committee has evaluated and recommended the program for approval, and

WHEREAS, A summary of the program is attached to this resolution with the full proposal available in the Academic Senate office, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the proposal for the Master of Science in Nutrition be approved by the Academic Senate of Cal Poly.

Proposed by: The Food Science and Nutrition Department
Date: March 4, 2015
Summary statement of the proposed MS Nutrition degree for review by the Academic Senate

1. Title of the new program:
   Master of Science in Nutrition

2. Program overview and rationale:

   Purpose
   
   This program is designed to produce graduates with advanced knowledge and skills in nutrition. Content knowledge will include training to develop student expertise in nutrition themes ranging from molecular nutrition to public health, a “cells to society” approach. The program will also prepare graduates for advancement, specialization, and leadership in nutrition or healthcare careers and further education in dietetic internships, professional schools, allied health professions, the food industry, or doctoral studies. Within the program, students will be able to select one of three suggested emphasis areas, which are Molecular Nutrition, Public Health Nutrition, or Health and Wellness.

   Strengths
   
   Three areas of emphasis will be offered to strategically align with demands in society and the job market. Program strengths include 1) the strategic alignment of the three program emphasis areas established to support the demanding job market and societal needs for professionals in these areas and 2) an existing on-campus network of faculty experts in human and animal nutrition that will provide the structure for the unique graduate group model. This model builds on the teacher-scholar model and emphasizes interdisciplinary collaboration from several academic units across campus.

   Justification for Offering the Program at This Time
   
   One of the key factors that make this proposal justified at this time is the economic burden of healthcare in the United States, which is unsustainable at national and individual levels. This will become increasingly salient as the population ages and periods of economic recession occur. As the focus on healthcare necessarily shifts to preventive care, both for cost and quality of life reasons, there will be increasing demand for nutritionists with advanced training. For example, Registered Dietitians increasingly need a Master of Science (MS) degree for special medical applications of nutrition science, students with MS degrees are more competitive for the dwindling number of competitive Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics-approved Dietetic Internships nationwide; and by 2020, the entry level requirements for dietitians will include completion of a master’s degree. Moreover, PhD programs will be seeking students with rigorous MS training in nutrition to enter a wide range of research environments in human
and animal nutrition. Graduates with master's level training in Nutrition who pursue additional advanced training in key academic areas including medicine and the clinical sciences, business, animal science, dairy science, or biology will be more competitive in today's global marketplace and interdisciplinary research environments. Cal Poly is well positioned to provide such graduates.

Summary

The proposed MS degree program will be strategically aligned with departments across campus, capitalizing on Cal Poly's many academic strengths and promoting a unique graduate with an integrated understanding of nutrition, from cells to society. To build alliances and promote collaboration, a “Graduate Group in Nutrition” will be facilitated by the Food Science and Nutrition (FSN) Department, which will serve as the academic home for the degree. Qualified faculty from FSN, Kinesiology, Animal Science, Dairy Science, the Social Sciences, and elsewhere on campus will be able to serve as thesis committee chairs and will be invited to work together on the governance of the MS program (for example, deciding on prerequisites for entry into the program; development of by-laws; refinement of thesis expectations; and so on). This approach stimulates interdisciplinary activity and encourages the use of shared resources and facilities for sustainability. It also stimulates the Cal Poly teacher-scholar model by improving faculty research profiles, generating external research funds, and building a strong graduate student body. Moreover, courses will more frequently be team-taught and cross-listed to ensure a broad range of participation from all academic units involved.

3. Anticipated student demand:

Evidence of student demand is highlighted below, beginning with an analysis of Cal Poly data that suggest a strong interest in the current specialization model MS. Data from the College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences at Cal Poly indicate that the currently offered MS in Agriculture with specialization in Food Science and Nutrition is in high demand. From 2008-2013 (Table 1), the existing MS in Ag with specialization was in high demand, as evidenced by a 6-38% selection rate. Students selected to the program tend to matriculate into the program (80% mean matriculation rate of those selected).

The expected number of majors in the year of initiation and three years and five years thereafter and the expected number of graduates in the year of initiation, three years, and five years thereafter is highlighted in Table 2.
Table 1. Data for the MS in Agriculture with specialization in Food Science and Nutrition from 2008-2012.

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Applicants</th>
<th>Selected</th>
<th>% Selected</th>
<th>Newly admitted</th>
<th>Yield</th>
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<tr>
<td>Fall 2008</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>28.6%</td>
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<td>Fall 2009</td>
<td>17</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>5.9%</td>
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<td>Fall 2010</td>
<td>16</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>37.5%</td>
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<td>Fall 2011</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>7</td>
<td>31.8%</td>
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<td>Fall 2012</td>
<td>27</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>14.8%</td>
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<td>Fall 2013</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>16.7%</td>
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Table 2. Expected numbers of majors and graduates at three time points.

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<th>Number of Students</th>
<th>At initiation</th>
<th>3 years after initiation</th>
<th>5 years after initiation</th>
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<td>Number of Majors</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>10-15</td>
<td>15-20</td>
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<tr>
<td>Number of Graduates</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>8-10</td>
<td>20</td>
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4. Curriculum:

All degree requirements, including catalog number, course title, and number of units are shown in Table 3 (all existing and approved courses). Course selections from existing courses taught at Cal Poly that would be appropriate choices for three suggested emphasis areas for the MS Nutrition degree are shown in Table 4.

Table 3. Required Courses (24 units)

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<tr>
<th>Catalog number</th>
<th>Course title</th>
<th>Units</th>
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<tr>
<td>FSN 599¹</td>
<td>Thesis</td>
<td>1-6 (6 total required)</td>
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<tr>
<td>STAT 512</td>
<td>Statistical Methods</td>
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<td>FSN 516</td>
<td>Population Health and Epidemiology</td>
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<td>FSN 528</td>
<td>Biochemical and Molecular Aspects of Human Macronutrient Metabolism</td>
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<td>FSN 529</td>
<td>Metabolic and Molecular Aspects of Vitamins</td>
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<td>FSN 530</td>
<td>Metabolic and Molecular Aspects of Minerals</td>
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<tr>
<td>FSN 581</td>
<td>Nutrition Research Seminar (to be taken 3 times during program)</td>
<td>1 (3 total required)</td>
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**Total required coursework** 24

**Supervisor-approved electives**

Varies by emphasis area: Molecular Nutrition, Public Health Nutrition, or Health and Wellness.

**Total units needed for graduation** 45

¹ FSN 599 or XXX 599 depending on the thesis committee chair home department, the Thesis (599) units may have a different prefix (e.g., a student with a committee chair from Animal Science may sign up for ASCI 599).
Table 4. Course selections from existing courses taught at Cal Poly that would be appropriate choices for three suggested emphasis areas for the MS Nutrition degree (21 units total required).

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<tr>
<th>Course number</th>
<th>Course title</th>
<th>Units</th>
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<td><strong>Molecular Nutrition emphasis area</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>ASCI 403</td>
<td>Applied Biotechnology in Animal Science</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>BIO 161, BIO 162, upper division genetics course (BIO 302 or BIO 303 or BIO 351 or ASCI 304) or consent of instructor</td>
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<td>ASCI 420</td>
<td>Animal Metabolism and Nutrition</td>
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<td>ASCI 220; ASCI 320 or CHEM 313 or CHEM 371.</td>
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<td>ASCI 503</td>
<td>Advanced Molecular Techniques in Animal Science</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>ASCI 403 or equivalent course</td>
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<tr>
<td>BIO/CHEM 441</td>
<td>Bioinformatics Applications</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Junior standing; BIO 161 or BIO 303. Recommended: BIO 302 or BIO 303 or CHEM 313 or CHEM 313 or BIO 351 or CHEM 373</td>
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<tr>
<td>BIO/CHEM 475</td>
<td>Molecular Biology</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>BIO 161, and grade of C- or better in BIO 351 or CHEM 373 or consent of instructor</td>
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<td>BIO/CHEM 476</td>
<td>Gene Expression Laboratory</td>
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<td>BIO/CHEM 475; CHEM 313 or CHEM 371, or graduate standing in Biological Sciences</td>
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<td>BIO 501</td>
<td>Molecular and Cellular Biology</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Graduate standing in Biological Sciences or consent of instructor</td>
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<td>CHEM 474</td>
<td>Protein Techniques Laboratory</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>CHEM 371 or consent of instructor</td>
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<td>CHEM 528</td>
<td>Nutritional Biochemistry</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>CHEM 313 or CHEM 372 or consent of instructor</td>
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<td>KINE 454</td>
<td>Exercise Metabolism</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>KINE 303 and CHEM 312 and CHEM 313. Recommended: KINE 304</td>
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<td>STAT 523</td>
<td>Design and Analysis of Experiments</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>STAT 513 or STAT 542</td>
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<td><strong>Public Health Nutrition emphasis area</strong></td>
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<td>AGB 543</td>
<td>Agribusiness Policy and Program Analysis</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Graduate standing or consent of instructor</td>
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<td>AGB 554</td>
<td>Food System Marketing</td>
<td>4</td>
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<td>BIO 542</td>
<td>Multivariate Biometry</td>
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<td>Two courses in statistics or consent of instructor</td>
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<td>FSN 480</td>
<td>Policy Arguments in Nutrition</td>
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<td>Junior standing and consent of instructor</td>
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<td>KINE 503</td>
<td>Current Health Issues</td>
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<td>KINE 510</td>
<td>Health Behavior Change</td>
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<td>KINE 250 or KINE 255 or KINE 260 and KINE 503 or KINE 504 and graduate standing</td>
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<td>Survival Analysis Methods</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>STAT 302</td>
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<td>Applied Multivariate Statistics</td>
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<td>STAT 421</td>
<td>Survey Sampling and Methodology</td>
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<td>Recommended: MATH 206</td>
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<td>STAT 524</td>
<td>Applied Regression Analysis</td>
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<td>STAT 530</td>
<td>Statistical Computing I: SAS</td>
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<td>STAT 512 or STAT 542</td>
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### Health and Wellness emphasis area

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<td>COMS 418</td>
<td>Health Communication</td>
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<td>Completion of GE Area A and junior standing</td>
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<td>KINE 408</td>
<td>Exercise and Health Gerontology</td>
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<td>KINE 250, KINE 255 or KINE 260; and KINE 227, KINE 228, KINE 231 (formerly KINE 220) or KINE 311 (formerly KINE 219)</td>
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<td>KINE 434</td>
<td>Health Promotion Program Planning</td>
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<td>KINE 250 or KINE 255 or KINE 260, KINE 265, and junior standing</td>
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<td>KINE 450</td>
<td>Worksite Health Promotion Programs</td>
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<td>KINE 250 or KINE 255 or KINE 260, and senior standing</td>
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<td>Current Health Issues</td>
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<td>KINE 504</td>
<td>Advanced Pathophysiology and Exercise</td>
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<td>KINE 522</td>
<td>Advanced Biomechanics</td>
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<td>Advanced Motor Learning and Control</td>
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<td>Sport and Exercise Psychology</td>
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<td>Advanced Physiology of Exercise</td>
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<td>KINE 534</td>
<td>Advanced Health Promotion Program Planning</td>
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<td>KINE 503 or KINE 504 or KINE 510; graduate standing</td>
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<td>PSY 465</td>
<td>Cross-Cultural Issues in Psychology</td>
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<td>PSY 201 or PSY 202 and junior standing</td>
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### Applicable to all emphasis areas

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<td>FSN 420</td>
<td>Critical Evaluation of Nutrition Research</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>STAT 218; and senior standing. Corequisite: FSN 329</td>
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<td>FSN* 500</td>
<td>Individual Study</td>
<td>1-6</td>
<td>Graduate standing, consent of supervising faculty member and graduate advisor</td>
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<td>STAT 513</td>
<td>Applied Experimental Design/Regression Models</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Graduate standing and one of the following: STAT 512, STAT 542, STAT 217, STAT 218, STAT 252, STAT 312, or equivalent</td>
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Or other electives approved by the GGN Executive Committee
5. Student Learning Outcomes:
Graduates of the MS Nutrition program will achieve the following

1) Apply fundamental principles of nutrition science in research and required coursework
2) Explain, analyze, and interpret fundamental scientific concepts in the specific area of thesis research
   a. Suggested technical emphasis areas are: Molecular Nutrition, Public Health Nutrition, and Health and Wellness
3) Apply the scientific method to nutrition research through the design, conduct, and defense of a thesis research project
4) Apply critical thinking skills to the analysis of published research literature and the design/interpretation of a thesis research project
5) Show independent and creative thinking skills in the formulation, design, conduct, and interpretation of nutrition research
6) Demonstrate strong written and oral communication skills
7) Work productively, respectfully, and professionally as part of a research team and in other group settings
8) Exhibit leadership, ethical conduct, and community values

6. Workforce demand:
One of the key recommendations from the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND), the accrediting agency for Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND), dated February 2015 and entitled Rationale for Future Education Preparation of Nutrition and Dietetics Practitioners is “Master’s level preparation for entry level, generalist, registered dietitian nutritionists.” Specifically, by 2020, students wishing to become Registered Dietitians will be required to complete six years of study including advanced preparation such as that in a master’s degree. Therefore, the demand for Nutrition master’s degree programs will grow rapidly to meet this new requirement.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) estimates that jobs for human and animal health professions including nutrition will increase faster than average, including a 9% increase in the employment of Registered Dietitians and Dietetics Practitioners. Further, BLS estimated that from 2010 to 2020, there would be a 20% increase in the employment of Registered Dietitians and Nutritionists, which is a faster growth than the average for all occupations. Results from the American Dietetic Association (AND) Integral Survey, a critical assessment of the future of the profession, revealed that Dietitians in particular are concerned that they may not have the skills or education to manage new challenges. Some of the new challenges include the aging population, the growth of obesity and diversity and even shifting educational needs for the dietetics profession.

The BLS also estimated that employment of health educators is expected to grow by 37% from 2010-2020, which is much faster than the average. The BLS further reported that jobs for animal nutrition scientists are expected to grow by 13% from 2008-2018, faster than the average, as concerns including food safety and
sustainability are being increasingly emphasized in the public and private sectors in the context of integrated animal-human health. All these professions could draw from graduates from the proposed MS degree.

The American Society for Nutrition recently outlined six priority research areas: 1) variability in individual responses to diet and foods; 2) healthy growth, development, and reproduction; 3) health maintenance; 4) medical management; 5) nutrition-related behaviors; and 6) food supply/environment. They also noted that “the multidisciplinary nature of nutrition research requires collaboration among research scientists with differing areas of expertise, many different stakeholders, and multifaceted approaches to develop the knowledge base required for establishing the evidence-based nutrition guidance and policies that will lead to better health and well-being of world populations”. A graduate program employing the multidisciplinary graduate group approach will be best poised to meet this challenge.

6. Professional uses of the proposed degree program:
Numerous opportunities exist for professional uses of the proposed degree program. The principal anticipated career paths are listed below:
• Public Health/Community Nutrition/Government Jobs
  o Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Dietitian
  o Health Educator
  o Epidemiologist
  o Local, state and federal opportunities
    □ Nutrition legislation
    □ Nutrition programming and evaluation
• Research Scientist
• Clinical Nutrition
  o Managers
  o Specialist
• Foodservice & Management
  o Schools
  o Hospitals
• Animal Nutritionist
• Food Industry
  o Nutrition labeling and regulatory affairs
  o Product claims validation and research
  o Product development
  o Dietary supplements
• Postsecondary Educators
  o Junior Colleges
  o Lecturers at Universities
• MS as preparation for PhD in a broad range of areas
• MS as preparation for clinical science field
  o Human: Medicine, nursing, allied health professions including physical and occupational therapy
  o Animal: Veterinary science and associated clinical settings
Background Statement: On January 23, 2015, the Academic Senate CSU unanimously approved resolution AS-3199-15/FA Non-Tenure Track Faculty and Shared Governance in the California State University: A Call to Campus Senates. Such resolution encourages campus senates to review or revise their constitutions and policies in order to include lecturers, non-tenure track librarians, coaches, and counselors, in the term “faculty” in a manner consistent with the CSU-CFA Collective Bargaining Agreement (Article 2.13).

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE DEFINITION OF MEMBERSHIP OF THE GENERAL FACULTY ON THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FACULTY

RESOLVED: That the definition of General Faculty in Article I and Article III.1 of the current Constitution of the Faculty be amended; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate conduct a General Faculty referendum to amend Article I and Article III.1 of the current Constitution of the Faculty as follows:

ARTICLE I. MEMBERSHIP OF THE GENERAL FACULTY

Voting members of the General Faculty of Cal Poly shall consist of those persons who are employed at Cal Poly and belong to at least one of the following entities: (1) full-time academic employees holding faculty rank whose principal duty is within an academic department, unit, or program; (2) faculty members in the Pre-Retirement Reduction in Time Base Program and Faculty Early Retirement Program; (3) full-time or part-time probationary and/or permanent employees in Professional Consultative Services as defined in Article III.1.b of this constitution; (4) full-time or part-time coaches holding a current faculty appointment of at least one year as defined in Article III.1.b of this constitution; (5) lecturers holding full-time appointments of at least one year in one or more academic departments, units, or programs; or (6) lecturers with a current assignment of 15 WTUs for at least three consecutive quarters; (7) part-time lecturers holding part-time appointments for at least six consecutive years three year contract.

Members of the General Faculty, including department chairs/heads, shall not cease to be members because of any assigned time allotted to them for the carrying out of duties consistent with their employment at Cal Poly. "Visiting Personnel" shall not be members of the General Faculty. Members of the General Faculty who are on leave for at least one year shall not be voting members during their leave.

Nonvoting membership in the General Faculty shall consist of all academic personnel not included in the voting membership.
ARTICLE III
THE ACADEMIC SENATE

Section 1. Membership

(a) Colleges with fewer than 30 faculty members shall elect two senators. All other colleges shall elect three senators, plus one additional senator for each additional 30 FTEF (Full Time Equivalent Faculty) or major fraction thereof.\(^1\)

(b) Designated personnel in Professional Consultative Services (excepting directors) shall be represented in the Academic Senate by the formula of one senator per each fifteen FTE (Full Time Equivalent) members or major fraction thereof:

(1) Full-time probationary or permanent Librarians; and

(2) Full-time probationary or permanent (a) counselors; (b) student services professionals [SSP]: SSP I-academically related, SSP II-academically related, and SSP III-academically related; (c) SSPs III and IV; (d) Cooperative Education lecturers; and (e) physicians.

(3) Full-time coaches holding a current faculty appointment of at least one year.

(4) Part-time librarians, counselors, student services professionals [SSP]: SSP I-academically related, SSP II-academically related, and SSP III-academically related; SSPs III and IV; Cooperative Education lecturers; physicians; and coaches holding a current appointment of at least six years. \(^2\) Part-time lecturers in an academic department/teaching area and part-time employees in Professional Consultative Services, other than those who are members of the General Faculty as defined in Article I, will be represented by one voting member in the Senate.

(c) Senators acting in an at-large capacity are the current Academic Senate Chair, the immediate Past Academic Senate Chair, and the CSU academic senators. All at-large positions shall be voting positions except for the Academic Senate Chair, which is a nonvoting position except when the Chair’s vote is needed to break a tie.

Proposed By: Academic Senate Executive Committee
Date: April 1, 2015

\(^1\) All calculations are based on employment data from October of the academic year of the election

\(^2\) All calculations are based on employment data from October of the academic year of the election
Adopted:

ACADEMIC SENATE
of
CALIFORNIA POLYTECHNIC STATE UNIVERSITY
San Luis Obispo, CA

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RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF AS-3197-14
THE NEED FOR A COMPREHENSIVE CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY
POLICY ON ACADEMIC FREEDOM

1 WHEREAS, The last formal statement on academic freedom for the California State University was
2 formulated in 1971, therefore be it
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4 RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of Cal Poly endorse AS-3197-14 The Need for a
5 Comprehensive California State University Policy on Academic Freedom, which was
6 approved by the Academic Senate California State University on January 23, 2015: and
7 be it further
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9 RESOLVED: That this resolution be forwarded to the CSU Board of Trustees, Chancellor White, the
10 CSU Academic Senate Chair, Cal Poly President Armstrong, and each CSU Campus
11 Academic Senate.

Proposed by: Academic Senate Executive Committee
Date: March 5, 2015
RESOLVED: That the Academic Senate of the California State University (ASCSU) reaffirm its constitutional responsibility “to advance the principles of academic freedom and freedom of inquiry...”,¹; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the ASCSU urge the Chancellor’s Office and the Board of Trustees to draft a comprehensive California State University (CSU) policy on academic freedom in collaboration with ASCSU faculty representatives; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the ASCSU urge that this new policy explicitly and directly address all three main principles of the 1940 AAUP statement on Academic Freedom and its 1970 interpretation²; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the ASCSU urge that this comprehensive policy consider both past omissions and contemporary issues related to academic freedom³, including but not limited to the right of faculty to:

a) teach; conduct research; explore all avenues of scholarship, research, and creative expression; reach conclusions according to one's scholarly discernment; and publish free of institutional restraint and external constraints other than those normally implied by the scholarly standards of a discipline.

b) freely conduct extramural activities beyond the classroom in service to their scholarly discipline, students, university community, and society at large.

c) freely exchange ideas and research findings in different formats, including electronic communications, without fear of violation of their privacy⁴.

d) freely express their views on public matters (for example, via social media) as public intellectuals without fear of retaliation from the university administration.

¹ASCU Constitution
http://www.calstate.edu/AcadSen/Records/About_the_Senate/documents/ASCU_Constitution_2013_Revision.pdf


³We recognize that academic freedom is directly related to membership in the academic profession, which carries with it special responsibilities. See: AAUP “Statement on Professional Ethics.” http://www.aaup.org/report/statement-professional-ethics and AAUP statement on “Civility” http://www.aaup.org/issues/civility


And University of California, Los Angeles, Faculty Resource Guide for California Public Records Requests
https://www.apo.ucla.edu/resources/recordrequest
e) address any matter of institutional policy or action whether or not as a member of an agency of institutional governance.

f) ensure the full protections of the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution of the State of California, and the CSU mission; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the ASCSU distribute this resolution to the CSU Board of Trustees, CSU Chancellor, CSU campus Presidents, CSU campus Senate Chairs, CSU Provosts/Vice Presidents of Academic Affairs, California Faculty Association, CSU Emeritus and Retired Faculty Association, California State Student Association, American Association of University Professors.

RATIONALE: The last formal statement on academic freedom for the California State University, formulated in 1971, reads:

"a. The teacher is entitled to full freedom in teaching and in the publication of the results, subject to adequate performance of other academic duties; but research for pecuniary return should be upon an understanding with the authorities of the institution.

b. The teacher is entitled to freedom in the classroom in discussing any subject, but he should be careful not to introduce into his teaching controversial matter which has no relation to his subject."

Apart from the datedness of the masculine pronoun, the 1971 policy demands rethinking in light of the many developments over the last 40 years that have both broadened the scope of academic work and responsibilities and redefined the public expectations of what a university is and does. It also warrants rethinking in terms of the challenges to academic freedom faced by the CSU and its faculty.

Some of the developments that have broadened the scope of academic work and responsibilities include:

- the global expansion of higher education;
- developments in communication technology that enable, and in fact encourage, scholars and students to function within global professional, research, and civic networks;
- the broader expectations attendant on academic scholars in their role as "public intellectuals" (with accompanying pressures that bear on their behavior and pronouncements inside as well as, and especially, outside of the classroom); and

AAUP statement: “Protecting an Independent Faculty Voice: Academic Freedom after Garcetti v. Ceballos”

University of Oregon http://policies.uoregon.edu/node/218


University of Minnesota http://regents.umn.edu/sites/regents.umn.edu/files/policies/Academic_Freedom.pdf

University of California http://regents.universityofcalifornia.edu/aar/jule.pdf
• the expansion of international programs and scholarly and student exchanges, with the concomitant potential for geopolitical pressures on universities and faculty.

In addition, public expectations regarding the nature and role of the university itself have evolved significantly over the last 40 years. The expansion of expectations of a large public university such as the CSU—from a community of teachers and students to a complex institution functioning at the intersection of diverse worlds, interests, and investments (intellectual, economic, social, political, as well as local, regional, national, and global in scope)—opens the university as well as its faculty to intensified scrutiny and potential interference from a wide variety of quarters and in pursuit of a variety of agendas.

The 1940 AAUP policy, reaffirmed in 1970, includes three components, the first two are reflected directly in the CSU policy, but the following component is not explicitly addressed:

College and university teachers are citizens, members of a learned profession, and officers of an educational institution. When they speak or write as citizens, they should be free from institutional censorship or discipline, but their special position in the community imposes special obligations. As scholars and educational officers, they should remember that the public may judge their profession and their institution by their utterances. Hence they should at all times be accurate, should exercise appropriate restraint, should show respect for the opinions of others, and should make every effort to indicate that they are not speaking for the institution.  

The 1971 CSU policy is too limited in scope to deal with potential challenges presented by activities such as faculty’s participation in extramural pursuits beyond the classroom, faculty’s use of electronic communications, faculty’s public expressions via social media, faculty’s role in shared governance, or external requests for access to faculty electronic communications. The lack of a clear policy has the dangerous potential of faculty self-censorship. The lack of a comprehensive policy on academic freedom has left CSU faculty at the mercy of different interpretations and implementations of the principles of academic freedom.

The CSU cannot afford to have a policy on Academic Freedom that is insufficient for the 21st century. The mission of the institutions of higher education is serving society by discovering, investigating, communicating, and preserving knowledge by educating students and the larger society. This mission cannot be fulfilled without freedom of teaching, research, and communication inside and outside of the classroom.

In summary, the wording and content of the policy is outdated and insufficient, as the nature of academic activity has changed. Our policy should be regularly reviewed and,  

if needed, revised to reflect such changes, as is done by other major universities. We want to be proactive, updating the policy to reflect best practices and address components of academia in the 21st century. As the largest public university system in the United States, the CSU is often a leader in higher education, but our current policy is behind the times, as it does not fully reflect the content of the 1940 AAUP statement nor advancements in area of academic freedom since then.

Approved – January 23, 2015

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7Some examples of best practices could be found at: University of Oregon [http://policies.uoregon.edu/node/218](http://policies.uoregon.edu/node/218)  
RESOLUTION TO ADD THE FUNCTION OF TASK FORCES

RESOLVED: That the Bylaws of the Academic Senate be amended as follows:

VIII. COMMITTEES

A. GENERAL

The functional integrity of the Academic Senate shall be maintained by the committee process. The committee structure shall include standing committees staffed by appointment or ex officio status, elected committees staffed by election, and ad hoc committees staffed either by appointment or election as directed by the Academic Senate Executive Committee. The Executive Committee may create task forces as it deems necessary for specific purposes, which, in the judgment of the Academic Senate Chair, cannot be handled adequately by the standing committees. Every task force created shall be a committee of the Executive Committee and shall report to the Academic Senate by way of the Executive Committee.

Proposed by: Academic Senate Executive Committee
Date: March 11, 2015
WHEREAS, The registration system is changing as of Summer 2015 ("New Registration System"); and
WHEREAS, Faculty are generally optimistic that the New Registration System is intended to improve the
efficacy of the registration experience for the Cal Poly community; and
WHEREAS, Any registration system has elements that are inexorably linked to various aspects of faculty and
student workflow that fall within the purview of the faculty including: advising practices,
student academic success, course logistics, and instruction; and
WHEREAS, Shared governance encourages potential changes in such elements be done in consultation with
the Academic Senate as well as other affected groups; and
WHEREAS, There has been no Academic Senate consultation in advance of implementing the
New Registration System nor has it been vetted by faculty for possible impacts on the
aforementioned faculty and student workflow; and
WHEREAS, The faculty currently lack transparent information and data-driven metrics regarding the New
Registration System; therefore be it
RESOLVED: That the faculty strongly recommend the Registrar develop a transparent strategy and timeline
for clearly assessing the effectiveness of the New Registration System: and be it further
RESOLVED: The results of the assessment are shared with the Academic Senate roughly one year
after one year of implementation, during the Fall of 2016; and be it further
RESOLVED: That, in the spirit of shared governance and transparency, the faculty request that any
future substantial changes to the registration system be implemented only after consultation
with the Academic Senate.

Proposed by: Tom Gutierrez, CSM Caucus Chair and Harvey Greenwald, Math Department
Date: March 31, 2015
Nominations Received for  
2015-2017 Academic Senate Vacancies

* Indicates willingness to chair if release time is available

**College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences**

Budget & Long-Range Planning Committee

Sean Hurley, Agribusiness (13 years at Cal Poly) Tenured, Incumbent *

I am the current Chair of the Budget and Long Range Planning Committee. In this current year, I have been working hard to reinvigorate the committee by examining the University’s Strategic Plan, monitoring the Master Plan process, and the way the University handles its budget. One of the items I am attempting to accomplish this year is to educate the committee members on the tools that can be used to understand the budget, i.e., Dashboards, Cal Poly OpenGov website, etc. I figure this will take the better part of the rest of this year while trying to accomplish the current charges the Senate Executive Committee has given the committee.

In the next year, I would like to continue Chairing the committee. This will provide stability and continuity for the committee as it continues monitoring the Master Plan process. Given that next year’s committee will have overlap with this year, I would like to focus the committee’s attention on the University budget and how it fits with the current strategic framework. By the end of my next term, I would like to be able to present to the Senate a better understanding of the budgeting process at the university.

In the next year, I plan on having the committee continue monitoring the Master Plan process. Given that next year’s committee will have overlap next year, I would like to focus the committee’s attention on the University budget and how its fits with the current strategic framework.

Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee

Distinguished Teaching Awards Committee (2015-2016)

Eivis Qenani, Agribusiness (12 years at Cal Poly) Tenured *

As a teacher-scholar I am interested in promoting our best teachers that are the foundation of this university.

Faculty Affairs Committee

Eivis Qenani, Agribusiness (12 years at Cal Poly) Tenured *

I am interested in serving in the faculty affairs committee as a way to better understand the related issues.

Instruction Committee (2015-2016)

Research, Scholarship & Creative Activities Committee

Sustainability Committee

**College of Architecture and Environmental Design**

Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee

Don Kuhn-Choi, Architecture (12 years at Cal Poly) Tenured, Incumbent *

I have served on this committee since 2012-2013, and am currently chair. In reviewing the nominees over the past several years, I have developed a strong sense of the type of scholarship at Cal Poly across all of the colleges. In the next couple of years, I aim to work towards revising the DSA guidelines to better fit the breadth and nature of research at Cal Poly.

Faculty Affairs Committee

James Guthrie, Architectural Engineering (6 years at Cal Poly) Tenure Track, Incumbent

I have enjoyed my current term on the Faculty Affairs Committee and believe I have contributed. The primary focus of the committee has been discussion and recommendations on RPT policies, especially the Teacher Scholarship Model. I have brought participation with these issues at the department and college level. I believe these are important issues to the University and would appreciate the opportunity to continue to contribute to the discussion of these and related topics.
Carlos Flores, Economics (1.5 years at Cal Poly) Tenure Track, Incumbent
I want to express my interest in continuing to be a member of the Research, Scholarship, and Creative Activities Committee. I am currently an Associate Professor in the Department of Economics at the Orfalea College of Business. I joined the Cal Poly faculty in 2013, after eight years as an Assistant Professor at the University of Miami. I want to continue being a member of this committee because I strongly believe that the success of a university heavily depends on the research and scholarship of its members, and I would like to help this committee to ensure those activities are fostered at Cal Poly.

Andrew Davol, Mechanical Engineering (16 years at Cal Poly) Tenured *
Having chaired a large department at Cal Poly from 2008-2014, with the economic challenges California faced in those years, has given me experience that I see the Academic Senate Budget and Long Range Planning Committee as the ideal place to utilize. I have read the 2014 fall report from the BLRP committee and I am both interested in, and feel I can add value to the initiatives the committee is pursuing. In the Mechanical Engineering Department we have identified many KPIs and recently concentrated our efforts to identify measurable KPIs that we feel are the most important to track. I am also very interested in the campus strategic and master planning activities. I served as an academic senator from the College of Engineering for the academic years 2012-2013 and 2013-2014. I believe I am well qualified to serve on the BLRP committee and look forward to this opportunity.

Peter Schuster, Mechanical Engineering (12 years at Cal Poly) Tenured
Long-range planning and budgeting are essential to everything we aim to accomplish at Cal Poly. Student success, faculty success, and staff success all depend to some extent on the budget. Continued success in each of these areas depends on proper planning and implementation of those plans. I am interested in actively participating in this process. Prior to joining Cal Poly as a faculty member, I spent 10 years as an engineer, technical specialist, and project manager at Ford. In 2002, I led a global team working on one of twelve major research efforts in the company, controlling an annual budget of $4 million. Planning and executing this work was a great experience, giving me an appreciation of the importance of planning and budget allocations. Since joining the Cal Poly Mechanical Engineering department, I have been very involved in our strategic planning activities, leading the strategic planning effort over two successive years. I have seen the value of this process in improved student success and improved staff morale. However, I have also seen how this planning process can fail due to limited funding for implementation. Like all Cal Poly employees, I have been personally and professionally affected by the financial difficulties in the state for the past several years. Now that recovery is underway, it is more important than ever that we carefully plan, and fund, our future direction. Decisions made now will have far-reaching effects. I would like to bring my project management experience and my personal interest in successful planning and budgeting to the Budget and Long-Range Planning Committee.
Curriculum Committee
Brian Self, Mechanical Engineering (8 years at Cal Poly) Tenured, Incumbent *
I have served on the committee since 2010, with a one-year break during an international exchange from 2011-12. I have a strong working knowledge of the committee responsibilities and have discussed serving as chair with the current chair, personnel in the registrar's office, and with Mary Pederson— all have encouraged me to volunteer in this capacity. I am especially interested in involving CTLT and the committee in collecting and improving course learning objectives (and program learning objectives). I also look forward to working with the committee to navigate new issues in e-learning and hybrid courses.

Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee
Faculty Affairs Committee
Shikha Rahman, Civil & Environmental Engineering (6.5 years at Cal Poly) Tenured
As a representative of the College of Engineering I am very happy to state my interests to serve on the Faculty Affairs Committee. I have served as Academic Senator for 5 years from 2008-2013. In addition to other committees, I have served as a member of Curriculum Committee, Graduate Studies Committee, and currently serving as a member of Student Awards & Scholarships Committee, International Programs Committee and Faculty Hearing Panel.

My interest to serve as a member of the Faculty Affairs Committee relates to the charges of the committee. As a representative of the College of Engineering, current RPT policies as well as the Teacher-Scholar Model aspects in the RPT guidelines are of great interest to me as the CENG RPT policies are being modified almost every AY at the department level. I am very concerned and enthusiastic to address the class evaluation techniques currently used and how those can be improved. Online education is being pursued by more universities nationwide and being emphasized at Cal Poly as well. Since online/hybrid courses is difficult to administer for some of the engineering disciplines though it is an area I and some of my colleagues are interested about, I feel serving at this committee would provide me great understanding of the possibilities or opportunities in this area.

Fairness Board
Bryan Mealy, Electrical Engineering (12 years at Cal Poly) Tenured, Incumbent *
My interest in the Fairness Board began in 1990. As Cal Poly electrical engineering student, I presented an ongoing issue to the Fairness Board. I was impressed with the promptness and professionalism of the Fairness Board at that time. I am also encouraged to see that the Fairness Board procedures have changed over the last twenty years to make the process more "personal", and thus, more fair.

Issues of fairness at all levels at Cal Poly have always been important to me. I am proud of the fact that primarily through my efforts, an illegal grading policy instituted by the Electrical Engineering Department was finally removed after being in place for over 25 years. This grading policy blatantly contradicted the Cal Poly's stated grading policy; the contradicting policies were of considerable concern to computer and electrical engineering students and faculty. The six years that I untiringly fought to remove the policy underscores the importance I place on fairness at Cal Poly and in life in general. I later successfully initiated a change in the department policy that treated lectures different from other faculty in terms of workload. Additionally, I continue to work with the Electrical Engineering Department to change their current policies in order to treat all faculty members the same in terms or workload.

In fast-paced institutions such as Cal Poly, we are bound to occasionally make mistakes. The Fairness Board provides the ability to have an impartial outside observer handle mistakes that fall under the banner of fairness. Having an objective professional body to oversee student/teacher interactions that are not viewed as fair provides an opportunity to leave all parties involved with a sense that they have been treated fairly. This function is personally important to me as it is to the overall image of Cal Poly as an academic institution. I therefore would like to continue to serve on the Fairness Board. Thank you for your consideration.

Grants Review Committee
Research, Scholarship & Creative Activities Committee
Anurag Pande, Civil & Environmental Engineering (7 years at Cal Poly) Tenured *
I have been an active researcher and would like to see Cal Poly support faculty scholars. I also see potential Cal Poly has in engaging students with scholarly activities that one does not see at other schools. I would like to use my role as a committee to advance that passion of mine.
College of Liberal Arts
Distinguished Teaching Awards Committee
Fairness Board

Anika Leithner, Political Science (9 years at Cal Poly) Tenured, Incumbent *
I have served on the Fairness Board since the fall of 2013 and would very much like to continue on this committee. I have become very familiar with the procedures and policies, and I believe it would be beneficial to the work of the board to have a certain amount of continuity among the members. In addition, I enjoy being able to contribute to a committee that provides such an important function for the university by providing a venue for addressing grievances and finding solutions to them.

Grants Review Committee

College of Science and Math
Curriculum Committee
Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee (2015-2016)

Distinguished Teaching Awards Committee (2015-2016)

Elena Keeling, Biological Sciences (18 years at Cal Poly) Tenured, Past Recipient
I was incredibly honored to receive the Distinguished Teaching Award and I think teaching is the most important thing we do at Cal Poly, so I would be happy to participate in evaluating colleagues for this award. I have served on various College and University committees, primarily related to curriculum and general education; these have included the General Education Governance Board, Area B/F General Education Subcommittee, Academic Senate Curriculum Appeals Committee and CSM Curriculum Committee (which I have chaired since 2011). I have also served as an internal program reviewer for programs in CENG and CLA. I feel that I have a reasonably broad perspective on teaching across the University.

Dylan Retsek, Mathematics (12 years at Cal Poly) Tenured, Past Recipient *
I have had the honor of twice being nominated for and once awarded the DTA in 2012-2013. Teaching has always been my top priority as a faculty member here at Cal Poly and I hold these awards in highest esteem. Moreover, as a former undergraduate here I have also benefitted from the excellent teaching and learn-by-doing ethos that is our hallmark.

As I participated in the awards process I was struck by the time and energy that past recipients put forward to evaluate nominees and also envying their opportunity to visit classes of inspiring colleagues. I would be honored and humbled to play my part in perpetuating our high teaching standards by recognizing the truly dedicated and talented educators who are nominated for this prestigious award.

Faculty Affairs Committee

Pat Fidopiastis, Biological Sciences (8 years at Cal Poly) Tenured, Incumbent
We have just completed a review of CAP 260. We are currently in the process of discussing RPT policies at the college and university levels. Our goal is to relay best practices and areas of concern to those drafting the UFPA document. I would very much like to continue on this committee not only to complete our current charges, but to make contributions to other important topics in the future.

Fairness Board
Instruction Committee

Corinne Lehr, Chemistry & Biochemistry (8 years at Cal Poly) Tenured, Incumbent
I have enjoyed serving on this committee on the past and feel that I have contributed to the committee's charges.
Professional Consultative Services
Budget & Long-Range Planning Committee
Curriculum Committee
Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee
Distinguished Teaching Awards Committee
Faculty Affairs Committee (2015-2016)

Brett Bodemer, Library (5.5 years at Cal Poly) Tenure Track
My interest in this committee is twofold. As former Chair of the Distinguished Scholarship Awards Committee I am interested in the proper balancing of scholarship/creative activity in the RPT process. As a soon-to-be-tenured faculty member at the Associate Level (should be official in June) I feel I have been at Cal Poly sufficiently long to understand some of the procedures and the attendant issues that concern faculty at all levels. While the charges for next year have not as yet been assigned, certainly the charges for this year have pertained to exactly these germane and important issues. In my current stint on the Distinguished Scholarships Committee I have always been proactive, highly participatory and collegial. With the equally important issues weighed by this committee I plan to maintain this high level of engagement and contribution.

Grants Review Committee
Jeanine Scaramozzino, Library (7 years at Cal Poly) Tenured, Incumbent *
As incumbent I understand the time commitment and requirements for the Academic Senate Grants Review Committee (GRC). As current GRC chair I have led the process required in updating the Academic Senate bylaws as they pertain to the GRC, the creating and revising of the Research, Scholarly, and Creative Activities (RSCA) Grant Program request for proposals (RFP), and streamlining the grant proposal review process.

As a librarian, data curation researcher, and former biologist I bring a variety of different perspectives to the evaluation table. I am confident in my understanding of the grant process from the perspective of an applicant, a reviewer, and resource for grant writers.

I find the process of reviewing Student Research Competition applications and presentations rewarding as it provides an opportunity to support student researchers. I am actively involved with the Dean of Research’s expansion of student support and mentoring for those students that are chosen as Cal Poly delegates for the CSU Student Research Competition.

I feel certain in my ability to contribute to the committee while better understanding the monies being requested on campus, the faculty research that is being funded, student research, and using that knowledge to help support the campus community with necessary library resources.

Instruction Committee
Kaila Bussert, Library (less than 1 year at Cal Poly) Tenure Track, Incumbent
I am writing to express my interest in serving on the Academic Senate Instruction Committee as the Professional Consultative Services member. I joined the Instruction Committee very recently at the end of fall quarter 2014 and I am excited for the opportunity to continue to serve in the next term. As a new faculty member I am interested in understanding instructional policies and issues at Cal Poly and to contribute a library perspective in discussions and committee work. I have experience serving on numerous committees and ad hoc groups at previous institutions. For example, at Cornell University Library I served as co-chair on an Instruction Team Steering Group charged with developing a campus-wide information literacy program and collaborating with faculty across campus to support Cornell’s information literacy learning goals.

In July 2014 I joined Cal Poly as the Foundational Experiences Librarian, a new tenure-track faculty position. In this position I am leading the development of instructional programming to support core research and information literacy competencies critical for a successful polytechnic education. As part of my responsibilities I coordinate Kennedy Library’s instruction program for GE A1 - A3 courses, which reached over 3,500 students last academic year.

Research, Scholarship and Creative Activities Committee (2015-2016)
Mark Bieraugel, Library (3 years at Cal Poly) Tenure Track
I bring to this committee experience in serving as both an academic senator and serving on the Executive Committee as PCS caucus chair.
As a faculty member required to do research and publish I have worked hard to understand the teacher-scholar model. I bring a unique point of view to this committee as a librarian who both supports faculty in their research by consultations with my faculty, and purchases resources used by faculty for their research. My recent research on innovative thinking includes studying productive research environments (PREs) which aim to increase faculty research productivity.

Sustainability Committee
Nominations Received for 2015-2016 University Vacancies

Academic Assessment Council – 4 vacancies – CAFES, CLA, CSM, and SOE 2015-2018

Matthew Moore, Political Science - CLA (9 years at Cal Poly) Tenured - Incumbent
I served on the ad hoc committee that created the AAC, have served on the AAC since its inception, and serve on my department and college assessment committees. I bring a unique degree of knowledge about this committee, and have worked hard during my past term to help it succeed. I would like to continue working on the AAC.

Beth Chance, Statistics – CSM (16 years at Cal Poly) Tenured – Incumbent
I have been involved with the committee and our own dept and college level assessment efforts for several years. I am also happy to add statistical background to the committee.

Amy Robbins, School of Education (4 years at Cal Poly) Incumbent
As the Assessment Coordinator for the School of Education, it is my responsibility to be aware of and contribute to the university assessment process. I have served on this committee for the past several years and my colleagues hope that I can continue to serve and represent the School of Education.

ASI Board of Directors (Chair or designee) - 2015-2016

James LoCascio, Mechanical Engineering (34 years at Cal Poly) Tenured - Incumbent
I have served in this position for many years. My primary goal for this service is to encourage the ASI to actively cultivate a Cal Poly student to serve as the CSU Student Trustee. In addition CSSA has been granted an annual fee increase of $4/yr. One of the stated uses for this fee is increase student advocacy at the national and state level and would hope that I can help Cal Poly’s ASI to play a prominent advocacy role


Kristen O’Halloran Cardinal, Biomedical & General Engineering (8 years at Cal Poly) Tenured – Incumbent (2015-2018 term)
I would like to confirm my strong interest in continuing to serve as a faculty representative on the Athletics Advisory Board. My overall accomplishments relevant to this position include: my former role as a collegiate student athlete, my involvement in Cal Poly athletics over the past 8 years (as a faculty rep, SOAR speaker, etc), my advising and mentoring of Cal Poly students as a faculty member (with demonstrated success mentoring students in varying capacities), and my contributions to the AAB committee over the past two years. Specifically with regard to the latter, I was part of the faculty subcommittee that researched and summarized Cal Poly’s need for a new compliance position, which I believe will greatly benefit the department, the student athletes, and the university. For my upcoming term on this committee, I will look forward to contributing to discussions and debates on issues related to budget, compliance, and other policies, especially as the NCAA looks to change many aspects of their governance. I will work closely with the faculty, the FAR, and the other committee members to apply my background and skills to help advance the Athletics Department, within the overall mission and constraints of the University.

Brand Governance Committee (Chair or designee) - 2015-2016

Bing Anderson, Finance Area (10 years at Cal Poly) Tenured
In theory, only the substance should matter. In reality, brand matters too. If selected on the committee, I will bring the faculty perspective, to help enhance and promote the Cal Poly brands.

Cal Poly Corporation Board of Directors (at least two names are forwarded to the President for consideration) - 2015-2018

Phil Barlow, Construction Management-CAED
==Statement 1==
Statement indicating consistent history of active involvement with an interest in University Affairs:
I have been involved with University Affairs for the past seven years and have been a productive member of many groups/organizations across campus including:
• Academic Senate (4 years – Previously)
• Academic Senate Curriculum Committee (ASCC) -2 years (Current)
• Faculty Search Chair - CAED
• Master Plan Advisory Committee – Campus Life (Current)
• Academic Plan for Enrollment 2014-15 (Current)
• Multitude of College and Department Committee Involvement

==Statement 2==
Statement of demonstrated ability to work productively as a member of a governing body: As a current member of the “hardest working university committee on campus” the ASCC has a rigorous meeting schedule and an intense agenda, in which working productively is a must. I have been a productive, consistent, and valued member of that committee for the past two years. I served for two years as a board member for the Pacific Reparatory Opera (PRO) in San Luis Obispo. I am currently the Director for Region 7 of the Associated Schools of Construction (ASC); the leading international organization of construction education, of which I am a board member and have been for the past four years.

==Statement 3==
Statement indicating why membership on the Board is of interest: I know and have had the opportunity to work with Karen Webb, Keith Humphrey, and Betsy Kinsley in the past and feel believe them all to be outstanding individuals to work and collaborate with. I also very much believe in the boards mission to provide self-supporting services to faculty, staff, and students which support and assist the university in achieving its educational mission. I think my perspective as a faculty member and a parent of two students currently attending Cal Poly brings a unique perspective to the position. I also believe my background in construction and construction management bring some unique skills in the area of business and physical facilities which would be an asset to this committee.

Dennis Derickson, Electrical Engineering-CENG

==Statement 1==
Statement indicating consistent history of active involvement with an interest in University Affairs: I am currently serving as the department chair of the Electrical Engineering department from the Fall of 2009 to present. My chair appointment will end in Spring of 2016.

Some Example University Affairs-Related activities include:

a. Establishment of Annual Cal Poly Department Alumni events in San Diego and Silicon Valley. These annual gatherings have had a major impact in providing additional support to the department.

b. Development of Key student exchange programs for our department with Munich and Karlsruhe Germany. This enables students to get a more global perspective.

c. I have been very active in planning/executing the many campus activities each year including Fall Conference Week, Parents Day Weekend, Graduation Ceremonies, Annual Banquets, Open House (Electrical and Computer Engineering Extravaganza in the Mott Events Center), Project Expo, Industrial Advisory Boards, and our Industrial Affiliates Day.

d. I have been the Optical Society of America Club faculty adviser for the last 9 years.

==Statement 2==
Statement of demonstrated ability to work productively as a member of a governing body:
1. I am currently department chair of electrical engineering at Cal Poly. I serve on the Dean of Engineering’s leadership team to manage activities of the college of engineering. I really enjoy this activity. A key accomplishment was the establishment of a college-wide senior project expo in May of each year.

2. I am currently part of the San Luis Obispo County 4H Science, Engineering and Technology Committee. A key accomplishment was the establishment of a hands-on engineering workshop at our annual Field Day in June each year.
3. I supported the Hope Lutheran Church Council (Atascadero) Organization from 2010 to 2012. A key accomplishment was youth leadership and programs.

4. I was part of the senior management team at a start-up company called Cierra Photonics in Santa Rosa, California (Before I became a Professor at Cal Poly). I was the Director of Product Marketing. I had to work closely with the Corporate Board of Directors for this start up company from its inception in March 2000 to the sale of the company to Bookham Incorporated in July of 2004. A key accomplishment was setting up a sales force in China.

5. I held first-level management positions at Hewlett Packard-Santa Rosa from 1994 to 1999. A key accomplishment was leading the design team for a custom amplifier test system ($6M) for Corning Incorporated.

6. I was a member and president of the board of directors for the Santa Rosa Sailing Club from 1992 to 1998.

I have had budget-level and direction setting responsibilities for many of the groups listed above. I am a good listener and like interacting with colleagues that I work with.

==Statement 3==
Statement indicating why membership on the Board is of interest: When I applied to become the Electrical Engineering Chair in 2009, I did so because I wanted to understand how the department functioned across the many related University groups. I would be similarly interested in joining the Cal Poly Corporation Board of Directors to understand how the University functions with its partner organizations. I feel that my experience leading/managing a large department at Cal Poly (650 Electrical Engineering Students and 500 Computer Engineering Students) will make me a valuable member of the Cal Poly Corporation Board of Directors. I can bring in perspective as a faculty member, researcher and active department chair who is finishing his current term.

I have two daughters at Cal Poly who are currently Senior and a Freshman students. My older daughter served as a Residence Adviser and my younger daughter is applying to be a Resident Adviser. I will have a third daughter (hopefully) attending Cal Poly in Fall of 2016. Therefore I have a strong interest in helping Cal Poly Corporation work with the many students it serves.

This is a very exciting time at Cal Poly and its affiliated organizations. We have the ability to make many positive changes to the University and I would like to be part of this process as a Cal Poly Corporation Board of Directors member.

Chris Dicus, Natural Resources Management & Environmental Sciences-CAFES

==Statement 1==
Statement indicating consistent history of active involvement with an interest in University Affairs:
I have long sought ways to serve the university in meaningful ways, starting with departmental service as an assistant professor, with increasing responsibility following promotion. Most recently, I have served in the following capacities.
• Academic Senate: Senator (since 2010).
  o Elected by college peers to Caucus Chair in 2013, but had to step down due to appointment to Faculty Fellow to the Provost caused a potential conflict of interest
• Faculty Fellow to the Provost (since 2013)
  o Coordinated Instructional Department Heads & Chairs (IDHC) meetings
• Organized smaller Planning Committee to increase effectiveness of IDHC
  o Coordinated the Baker & Koob Endowments for Student Success
  o Served on President’s Leadership Council
  o Served on Cal Poly Scholars Committee
  o Served on Kennedy Library Building Program Committee
  o Developing new policies and best practices for Category-III Miscellaneous Course Fees
  o Developing best practices for administering internationally prestigious scholarships (Rhodes, Goldwater, etc.)
- Participate in Dean’s Council meetings
- Participate in Academic Affairs staff meetings
- College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences
  - College Peer Review Committee (since 2014)
  - Strategic Visioning Committee (since 2014)
  - Research & Graduate Student Committee (2009 – 2013)
  - Recruitment & Diversity Committee (2009 – 2011)
  - Faculty Mentoring Program (2009 – 2015)

==Statement 2==
Statement of demonstrated ability to work productively as a member of a governing body:
I have long served as a productive member on multiple governing bodies, serving the university, the scientific
community, and the local citizenry.
- Academic Senate (since 2010)
  - Elected to Caucus Chair in 2013, but stepped down to appointment in Provost’s Office
- Association for Fire Ecology (an international scientific society)
  - Board of Directors (2006-present)
  - Education Committee (2005-present)
- California Fire Science Consortium
  - Coordinator, Wildland-urban Interface Module (2011-present)
- Society of American Foresters
  - Chair, Los Padres Chapter (2003-2010)
  - National Fire Working Group (2000-present)
- San Luis Obispo County FireSafe Council:
  - Board of Directors (2002-present)

==Statement 3==
Statement indicating why membership on the Board is of interest:
I seek membership on the Cal Poly Corporation Board of Directors because it provides a meaningful way to
better the professional and living experience for students, faculty, and staff across the entirety of the
university. As Faculty Fellow to the Provost (which ends in 2015), I gained a sense of the university as a whole
(vs. a myopic department-centric view) and greatly desire to continue using my strengths, experiences, and
interests to serve the full Cal Poly community.

Because of my previous and ongoing diversity and breadth of experiences at Cal Poly, I believe I am well
suited to engage in meaningful dialogue toward bettering the far-reaching scope for which the Corporation is
charged. Know that I seek this position only after careful thought and first querying some existing Board
Members (most of whom I have worked collegially with on previous projects) on whether I would be a right
fit.

Patrick Lemieux, Mechanical Engineering-CENG

==Statement 1==
Statement indicating consistent history of active involvement with an interest in University Affairs:
- member of the University Sustainability Advisory Committee
- served as university representative on a congressional panel on energy and sustainability issues
- established a $100k+ laboratory (on College of Agriculture land) for the study of wind energy, and have
  been concerned with renewable energy issues on campus since joining the university.

==Statement 2==
Statement of demonstrated ability to work productively as a member of a governing body:
- The establishment of the Cal Poly Wind Research Laboratory required negotiation with many department
  administrators, across more than one college, (as well as with Facility Services), for the purpose of achieving a
  concrete goal.
- member of a Technical Committee (Hybrid Rocket Propulsion) with the American Institute of Aeronautics
  and Astronautics (AIAA) [chaired sessions and presented at yearly meeting]
- worked with Cal Poly and the Politecnico di Torino to facilitate graduate student exchanges for research
  purposes
==Statement 3==
Statement indicating why membership on the Board is of interest: I would like to be more involved in the overseeing of decisions made by the CPC, and to participate in decisions that may affect the future direction of the Corporation and the University.

Neal MacDougall, Agribusiness-CAFES
==Statement 1==
Statement indicating consistent history of active involvement with an interest in University Affairs:
I have served on numerous university committees including the inaugural faculty research award committee (two years), the Campus Dining Committee, the Sustainability Committee, the Academic Assessment Committee, the General Education and Breadth (GEB) committee and the Search Committee for the VP of AFD. I have extensive experience grading the Writing Proficiency Exam (WPE), I have participated in a number of professional learning communities such as WINGED, Universal Design for Learning, Hybrid Teaching, the Critical Thinking Working Group. I have also worked extensively in the general area of sustainability on campus.

==Statement 2==
Statement of demonstrated ability to work productively as a member of a governing body:
Aside from great success working within my department (I have received the two awards for faculty service, the Western Ag Services and the Sunwest Foods awards), the formal governance work has been through my seventeen-year involvement with CCOF (California Certified Organic Farmers), the largest organic certifier in the country. I have served as an officer at the San Luis Obispo chapter level (chair of the certification committee and president), I have served on headquarter level committees (member and chair of the Certification Standards Committee) and I currently serve on the Board of Directors of CCOF, Inc. (I am the chapter representative and served as the Treasurer of the Board which means I also served on the Board’s Executive Committee and I was the chair of the Finance Committee which handles budgets and other financial issues). Because I am not a certified grower, I am also able to serve on the Management Committee of the CCOF Certification Services LLC in which I participate in the oversight and advising of the certification arm of CCOF, Inc. Currently, I am the Chair of the Management Committee. This involvement has given me a complete participation in the governance of a very successful entity.

==Statement 3==
Statement indicating why membership on the Board is of interest:
I have striven to learn as much about how Cal Poly works so that I can be a better contributing member of the Cal Poly community. I have a strong belief that engagement at all levels of the university results in a better performing and more impactful institution – especially on the educational side. My service on committees and in the areas of teaching (see above) has taught me quite a bit. My time on the Campus Dining Committee started to give me additional insight into how Cal Poly Corporation works and I am eager to learn more and help wherever I can. I think that with my CCOF experience, I can bring some insights into the position as a member of the CPC board and I can hit the ground running. Also, having just served as a member of the Search Committee of the VP for AFD, I have become familiar with the workings of Corporation.

Kevin Taylor, Kinesiology-CSM
==Statement 1==
Statement indicating consistent history of active involvement with an interest in University Affairs: I am in my second term as Department Chair, as such I am familiar with, and actively involved in, University Affairs. I have a deep commitment to the University campus wide as demonstrated by my 16 year history of cross campus collaboration and service.

==Statement 2==
Statement of demonstrated ability to work productively as a member of a governing body: I am a founding board member of a local non-profit and have served for 14 years as a member of a second non-profit, both focused on advocacy for people with disabilities. I volunteer extensively in the community as part of local non-profit, all volunteer, youth soccer organization which has involved regularly attending board meetings. Each of these groups have different dynamics, I have found ways to contribute within each group.
==Statement 3==
Statement indicating why membership on the Board is of interest: My career aspiration is to move into management and serve in a different capacity. This position would give me a broader perspective on the functioning of the university.

Kim Shollenberger, Mechanical Engineering-CENG - Incumbent
==Statement 1==
Statement indicating consistent history of active involvement with an interest in University Affairs: I am currently finishing my first 3-year term serving as a faculty representative on the Cal Poly Corporation BOD. Previously, I served as the College of Engineering representative for the General Education Committee.

==Statement 2==
Statement of demonstrated ability to work productively as a member of a governing body: I have attended every scheduled meeting of the Cal Poly Corporation BOD during my first term and been prepared to vote on every item.

==Statement 3==
Statement indicating why membership on the Board is of interest: I continue to wish to represent the faculty on this board, to learn more about the motivations for the Corporation’s activities, and to continue to develop relationships with a broad range of people from across Cal Poly community.

Campus Dining Advisory Committee - 2015-2017
Bing Anderson, Finance Area (10 years at Cal Poly) Tenured
I eat a good number of my meals on campus. I can bring to the committee some faculty perspectives. For example, we used to have a Curbside Grill that was really popular. Then people started to change its location, and the new location information cannot be easily found. I don’t know its status now, but I have not been able to find it, and I miss it a lot: the Korean chicken burrito, the garlic fries, etc. If selected, I will try to bring these faculty user perspectives to the committee, and try to help improve the campus dining experience for faculty and students.

Campus Fee Advisory Committee (Chair or designee) - 2015-2016

Campus Planning Committee - 2015-2017 - 2 vacancies
Beverly Bass, Landscape Architecture (6.5 years at Cal Poly) Tenured - Incumbent
I am currently serving on the Campus Planning Committee however my term will be ending at the end of this school year. I would like to continue serving on this committee. I am very interested in the current planning efforts, particularly the new student housing project that is of great importance currently. This project is central to student success, helping alleviate housing pressures in the community, and creating a stronger residential community on campus. My goals are to continue learning about and advising on this project, as well as other projects that may come to the surface in the coming years.

Anurag Pande, Civil & Environmental Engineering (6 years at Cal Poly) Tenured – Incumbent
This committee relates with my academic area of interest, which is traffic and transportation. I have enjoyed having input on the matters of campus plan.

Campus Safety and Risk Management Committee – 2015-2017

Faculty Advisory Committee on Technology – 2015-2017
Francisco Fernflores, Philosophy (15 years at Cal Poly) Tenured – Incumbent
I am committed to leveraging technology to support and enhance student learning. Recently, FACT has become an increasingly active committee that accomplishes concrete goals that support our ability as faculty to improve continuously how students learn.
Continuing to serve on this committee as the representative for the Academic Senate would be an honor.

Health Services Oversight Committee – also serves on Student Health Advisory Committee – 2015-2016
Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee – 2015-2016
International Programs Committee – 2015-2017

John Thompson, Modern Languages and Literature (17 years at Cal Poly) Tenured - Incumbent

I wish to express my interest in serving a second one-year term on the International Programs Committee. I am restating some of my qualifications here and will discuss below the achievements I have helped carry out over the past year. I have participated in study abroad as an undergraduate and as a graduate student, as resident director on faculty-led programs, as resident director of the CSU International Program in France, and in my current role as chair of the Modern Languages and Literatures Department.

In each of these capacities, I have had a distinct experience as a participant and/or as a leader and can evaluate issues from contrasting points of view--as a student, as a program organizer, and as an administrator. In my role as minor and major advisor and now as department chair, I have had over fifteen years of experience at Cal Poly working with students, with the International Center staff, and with the Office of the Registrar/Evaluations in articulating students’ curricular and co-curricular (internships, service) credits earned abroad with various types of degrees and programs across the university. I have served on study abroad scholarship and selection committees at the CSU and university levels and have worked one-on-one with the Assistant Registrar and the Associate Director of the International Center in resolving issues with the evaluation of credit earned through CSU IP.

I have much experience with Cal Poly’s program/curriculum proposal and assessment processes and, as a study abroad resident director, I have first-hand experience with personal and group-related risk and safety issues while abroad. I have served as instructor of record for Cal Poly Global Programs and collaborated closely with a colleague from Physics on a summer Global Program proposal for a sustainable resource internship for Cal Poly students in Guatemala so that they could earn language credit. Together we developed a program individually tailored to his students’ instructional and service-learning requirements and to the needs of the co-participants from Guatemala, while maintaining the university’s academic standards and both our programs’ learning objectives.

On a more personal and professional level, I work on a daily basis with students and colleagues from cultures from around the world and am trained to look at things from their points of view as well as my own. I am fluent in Spanish and French and have very good proficiency in Italian and German. Taken all together, my time living abroad amounts to more than ten years of my life.

During my first term as your representative on the International Programs Committee I worked closely, as the elected chair of the committee, with my colleagues from the different colleges and with representatives from Academic Programs and the Registrar’s Office to strengthen faculty governance and oversight over the internationalization of the curriculum that Cal Poly is striving to achieve. In the area of Global (formerly faculty-led) Programs, we have shepherded a significant number of faculty members from around the campus through the application and approval process. This has been both with existing programs (which have been improved) and with new programs. Programs in regions where Cal Poly does not have a strong presence have been especially gratifying, such as the two new programs in India from the Orfalea College of Business. In addition to this crucial work, our committee also provides faculty oversight of “affiliated” programs, such as USAC and CEA, which give our students the opportunity to study and do internships abroad for credit in a large number of countries for a summer, a quarter, or a year, according to the needs of the students. Just last week I began work with the Registrar’s Office in my capacity as chair of the International Programs Committee to establish workable long-term course equivalencies between Cal Poly courses and the affiliated programs’ coursework. Finally, our committee works to investigate and assess new and existing exchanges between Cal Poly and other universities across the globe. Most recently, I chaired a subcommittee to evaluate proposals from Japanese universities together with colleagues from the CLA and the International Center.

Finally, sponsored by the International Center, I was able to attend the annual NAFSA Conference in May 2014, where I attended three workshops in best practices in internationalization of the curriculum. I was able to meet colleagues from across the nation who are struggling with the same goals and challenges as we are. We met with some of the best-known experts in the field, from universities such as Florida International and the University of Minnesota, whose successes at integrating international endeavors into different areas of the curriculum have provided students with flexible and sustainable options. As a follow-up to the conference, the International Programs Committee at Cal Poly held a one-day colloquium in November 2014, where we invited colleagues from across the campus to brainstorm ways in which internationalization can
emerge from their present and future work. We want to emphasize that this creative endeavor must come from each faculty member—working as a member of a team—and not be imposed from above.

Student Health Advisory Committee—also serves on Health Services Oversight Committee—2015-2016
Student Success Fee Allocation Advisory Committee (Chair or designee)—2015-2016

Substance Use and Abuse Advisory Committee—2015-2017
Jessica Fred, University Housing-PCS (less then 1 year at Cal Poly) Incumbent
I’m interested in this committee because the topics are in line with what I do in my position here. I am responsible for educational initiatives and programming for students who live on campus and this committee would help me know what is happening campus-wide so I can support these efforts in my work.

University Technology Governance Committee—2015-2017
Kurt Colvin, Industrial & Manufacturing Engineering (15 years at Cal Poly) Tenured—Incumbent
I have very much enjoyed my past participation on the University Technology Governance Committee.

My background includes about 10 years in industry as a systems engineer, network engineer, project engineer, systems administrator and programmer. This is my 16th year as a professor at Cal Poly and I am a proponent and practitioner of using appropriate technology in the classroom.

As an engineer, I believe I am required to be a technologist and keep current with new tools and techniques. I am a "user" and enjoy learning about technology. However, I view the role of technology is to serve people and their jobs. Technology for its own sake it not useful.

I would like to serve the university with my diverse technology background and systems perspective.

University Union Advisory Board—2015-2016