Baker postpones budget decision

By Shea Roberts
Staff Writer

Cal Poly President Warren Baker decided Friday afternoon to postpone his decision on the budget-cut proposals until this morning.

Vice President for Academic Affairs Robert Koob met with Baker Friday at 3 p.m. to present final budget recommendations and feedback from several individual department meetings that were held on Thursday and Friday of last week.

In an in-studio interview at KSBY-TV, Baker said he needed the weekend to confer with Koob and Academic Program Review Task Force members before making a decision. He said another reason for the delay was that he wanted to reflect on recent student and faculty input.

According to Baker, the input from meetings with animal science, ornamental horticulture, recreation administration and journalism departments could have some impact on his decision.

Executive Assistant to the President Howard West said after Friday’s meeting, “I don’t want to make any assumptions, but I don’t think there will be any significant changes from the recommended proposals.”

Department heads from ornamental horticulture, animal science and journalism all confirmed that they did not think the meetings would have significant influence on the final outcome. They believe approval of proposed cuts is inevitable.

Baker said the decision to approve proposed budget cuts is only the beginning of the process. He said students and faculty will have an opportunity to express their concerns during summer and fall quarters before any programmatic changes are implemented.

Students expressed concern about whether reorganization of certain majors will postpone their graduation dates. Baker said there will be fewer available classes because of faculty layoffs, but that they “will find ways to expedite the graduation of students.”

Students and faculty within the targeted programs have questioned why their departments are being cut while others remain unscathed.

Students protest cuts to academic programs

By Aaron Nix
Staff Writer

Vuvinne Dinno, home economics senior — “If a reduced budget means cuts have to be made, I think they should start with the exorbitant salaries being earned by some campus administrators. If you make cuts in a school’s program, no matter how small, the quality of that program is going to suffer as a whole.”

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Department heads say changes unlikely to result from meetings

By Jason Foster
Editorial Staff

The department heads of the animal science and ornamental horticulture departments said nothing new was brought about in meetings Thursday with members of the administration.

Jack Algeo, ASCI department head, said Friday that “the main themes stated before (concerning the budget for the department), were reiterated” by Vice President for Academic Affairs Robert Koob at a 3 p.m. meeting in Erhart Agriculture Room 111.

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There always will be a journalism program — Dean of Liberal Arts

By Michele Morris
Staff Writer

There always will be a journalism major, said Liberal Arts Dean Sidney Ribeau.

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Students and faculty air their concerns about Cal Poly’s budget-cut proposal.

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An Indiana Jones Botanist?
Michael Doyle doesn’t look for rare artifacts ... he looks for rare plants.

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Tuesday’s weather:
Sunny after morning clouds.

Highs: 60s - low 70s
Lows: 50s
n.w. winds 10-20 mph
2-4 ft. seas n.w. swells 7 ft.
Pakistan railway chief suspended after crash

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP) — The prime minister suspended Pakistan's railway chief Sunday after the crash of a crowded express train that killed 100 people and injured more than 200. The station master and four other station employees also were suspended pending the outcome of the investigation into Saturday's crash.

Some lawmakers complain the railway system is plagued with outdated equipment and poorly trained workers. Three of the country's deadliest train accidents occurred within 45 miles of each other in the past 18 months, government officials said.

Although investigators had not ruled out sabotage, they said they suspected the crash of the 18-car "Dar Gas" express train early Saturday was caused by staff negligence.

Volcano erupts near overseas U.S. air base

MANILA, Philippines (AP) — The U.S. military today ordered the evacuation of thousands of Americans from Clark Air Base after a nearby volcano that had been dormant for centuries spewed rocks and hot ash down its slopes.

A moderate eruption of Mount Pinatubo, which is about 10 miles west of Clark Air Base, sent searing gases, ash and black pouring from two craters of the 4,795-foot mountain at speeds up to 60 mph. Debris was sprayed as far as the South China Sea, 20 miles to the west.

New York (AP) — Monday's Big Apple blowout for the veterans of Desert Storm has inspired anger and disgust in thousands of New Yorkers, determined to mount protests.

"Our basic view is the new world order has a Third Reich odor," said Connie Julian of Refuse and Resist, one of several groups planning demonstrations.

While organizers call the parade "Operation Welcome Home" and Mayor David Dinkins promises "the mother of all parades," its detractors call Monday's march "the parade of shame." The march through lower Manhattan will feature Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell.

Federal judges request new security systems

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation's federal judges, fresh from a 40 percent pay raise over the last two years, now want taxpayers to spend more than $11 million to buy them home security systems, cellular telephones and remote car starters.

They're also asking Congress to exempt them from local gun laws so judges can carry firearms.

The reason? Three federal judges have been killed at home in the last 12 years, and many of their 1,900 colleagues fear they could be attacked as well.

"People get angry at a judge's decision who had nothing to do with the case," said District Judge William D. Browning of Tucson, Ariz., chairman of the judges security committee.

South Bay divorce rate high for female execs

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Female executives at high-tech companies had a divorce rate double that for all adult women in Silicon Valley, according to a new survey.

The survey by the San Jose Mercury News also found the rate of divorce for women executives was seven times higher than that of their male colleagues.

"In general female executives viewed the corporation as a place where they had to make much greater sacrifices and perform better than men to get to the top," the newspaper said in Sunday's editions.

The team has been on campus for more than 20 years as part of the Cutting and Reining Club. Team Adviser Katy Murphy said students do not need horse show experience or a horse to join the team. The team consists of 12 members (all females this year) and their horses.

The team is partially funded by Poly's Instructionally Related Activities fund, said Rebecca Scotto, team captain. "They allocate us $1,400 a year, but it costs us about $18,000 to maintain a team of six. The rest of the money must come out of the girls' pockets."
Frank Lebens, associate vice president for Academic Resources, will be filling the position on an interim basis.

He will be replacing Executive Dean of Facilities Administration Douglas Gerard and Vice President for Business Affairs James Landreth. Both Gerard and Landreth announced their retirements last month.

"Lebens' new title and salary have not been announced yet. "The transition will take place in two phases," Lebens said. He will assume the responsibilities of Gerard's office when Gerard retires on June 19. At the end of September, Landreth will retire, and Lebens will assume control of Business Affairs."

"We're already moving him in slowly," Gerard said. "The move will be more of an evolution rather than a revolution."

One of Lebens' first jobs will be to conduct an analysis of the organizational structure of leadership positions to see if they can be made more efficient.

The analysis, which should result in money-saving streamlining, will be completed by January, Lebens said.

"We are not anticipating significant savings until Lebens is done with the analysis," said Howard West, executive assistant to the president.

Immediate savings will occur with elimination of the salary of one executive administrative position, Gerard said. "With

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Koob reassured the students that none of them would be kicked out of school if their major was cut.

"I believe that we are under a moral obligation to allow those who have already begun the program to complete their studies," Koob said.

Students and faculty questioned the credibility of the data used by the Academic Program Review Task Force.

"My concern is that the data they used in this process was faulty data," said Lynn Jamieson, recreation administration coordinator. "There is not separate quantifiable data on the recreation administration department."

Jamieson also said that the department was allowed to submit only an eight-page report to the committee for the undergraduate programs in physical education and recreation administration and the master's program in physical education. She said she felt her department was not allowed to adequately present the program to the committee.

"We were not contacted by the committee," Jamieson said.

Koob did not respond to that specific statement. He cautioned the students that he did not feel that recreation administration was a bad program. He said that he had been involved with starting a recreation administration program at North Dakota State University.

"I'm not saying, nor did they say, that this is a bad program," Koob said. "The School of Professional Studies exists today, it will exist tomorrow, and it will exist in the fall."

Koob told the group that the task force had to decide which departments were more important to the polytechnic mission of Cal Poly.

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"As part of the budget reduction program, two high-ranking administrative offices soon will be integrated into one position."

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More money allocated to the California Men's Colony means less for education

By Shea Roberts

No denim... no sweats... no shorts or skirts. Dress conservatively. Don't wear a lot of jewelry. And bring a California driver's license.

We entered a building where Dick showed us a model on the wall of the entire prison. He told us CMC was purchased in 1962... California State Governor Pete Wilson has called for a 15 percent increase in the budget for correctional facilities.

Later we talked about his five children and 10 grandchildren. He said he had made CMC his home in order to survive because he has no idea of when or if he will be released. He has been denied parole four times.

Dick informed us that "lifers" have a 2 percent rate of return to prison once they are released. In comparison, the thieves and small-time criminals return at a 60- to 70-percent rate.

As we toured the facility, I could feel the prisoners' cold stares. I was surprised at the freedom these men were allowed. Greg, another tour guide who had killed two of his family members at age 17, said that CMC is like Disneyland compared to San Quentin and Folsom. He said the men behave at CMC because they do not want to be sent back to San Quentin, where stabbings are part of the daily routine.

There was a window facing the courtyard. A small black bucket was in one corner and a bunk bed in the other. A picture of the man's family was set on one of the shelves. I tried to imagine what it would be like to live in such tight quarters.

Greg said these cells were much nicer than San Quentin because at San Quentin prisoners had no windows in their cells.

I would like to believe that the five men I spent time with will be rehabilitated one day and that they will survive in society. But I do not have any solutions. I only know that it seems as if we are treating the symptom, when we should be treating the cause.

Michael Doyle
Bio Sciet Lecturer
Dylan Fuller
Bic Sci Lecturer
Pat Lee
MATE

As you can see, there is a plethora of ways to save Cal Poly from this budget crunch. Let us hope the powers that be will go through the few real savings and consider some creative financing for Cal Poly's future, instead of all these insipid cuts.

There has been much debate in recent weeks concerning state budget cuts and their effects on Cal Poly. This is, of course, a very serious and important issue to both students and faculty on this campus. However, the real issue that we as students, faculty and voters need to be addressing is the spending priorities of this state and of our nation as a whole.

Why are we increasing spending on new prison construction, hiring more police and expanding the war on drugs while spending for education, especially...
Responsibly decisions are made with input from all 

EDITORIAL

Swine, sheep units shouldn't be cut

As we at Cal Poly students are in grave danger of losing many opportunities due to the proposed budget cuts. The entire School of Professional Studies will be dismantled. Recreation administration will be gone. The sheep and swine units will be gone. Horse- showing will be gone.

As agriculture majors, we have been told to think globally, not locally, in our education. How can an animal science major be globally educated with such hands-on experiences (what Cal Poly is known for) when there is no sheep or swine to get hands-on experiences with? Students agree there should be cuts, but not so drastic and detrimental to our future.

People in industry are looking for well-rounded students from Cal Poly. By losing the programs with these cuts, we will be like squares, unable to fit anywhere.

Students should voice opinions, ideas for alternatives or just show support for the future of the school. Show those in charge of cuts that we will not sit idly by while they decide the fate of our future.

Allison Tate

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Daredevil botanist to leave Poly
By Tracy Adams

Michael Doyle has spent most of his career exploring remote islands, swinging beneath helicopters and repelling down sheer cliffs, but where can he be found today?

Right here at Cal Poly. Doyle is a botanist who travels the world in search of a certain type of rare vegetation.

The 34-year-old took off the 1990-91 year as a researcher for the National Science Foundation and as a faculty member at the University of California Riverside to offer some of his knowledge and experience to Cal Poly students.

Doyle has taught classes such as introduction to botany and field botany and said he has had a wonderful time.

"I really like what I do," said Doyle. "I often think 'Wow, they even pay me to do this!'"

Doyle has dedicated the last five years to studying Gunnera, a rare plant that grows on the wettest islands in the world.

Something even more unusual about this plant is that it has no relation to other plants. In other words, it cannot be put into a certain plant category or type, Doyle said.

Doyle plans to either find another teaching position or do some more field work on the Gunnera plant.

"I want to figure out how many species there are, how they're related to one another, how they changed, how they got where they did and where they came from," he said.

Few scientists study the plant because of the difficulty and danger in obtaining it.

"Some people think I'm a daredevil, but I'm not," said Doyle. "I'm really careful. You have to be careful or you won't be around to tell the story."

During one expedition in Hawaii, Doyle studied the plant by dangling below a helicopter and being lowered from place to place. This let him study the plant in places no one has ever been before.

"Doyle soon may return to the field because of anticipated Cal Poly budget cuts.

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From page 1 to the Cal Poly community, but rather would be "downsized."

Koob told the gathering of about 60 ASCI students and faculty that earlier reports that the units would be phased out stemmed from errors in typing up the budget proposal released only two weeks ago, Algeo said.

Algeo also said Koob stressed that the proposed changes are still just that — proposals.

Rregnal Regan, ornamental horticulture department head, said Friday that no new information was brought up in a 4 p.m. Thursday meeting between members of his department and Koob in room 211 of the Agricultural Science building.

"Everything's the same," Regan said. "He's waiting to see what the president's final decision is, but we don't think there will be any surprises."

Regan said the OH department, which has 293 students, still probably will transfer four classes of its curriculum to the landscape architecture department and will lose two faculty positions.

Regan said the OH department and the landscape architecture department will decide together on which OH classes will be switched over to landscape architecture if the budget proposal is approved.

He also said that the department would accommodate the smaller-size faculty by dropping several part-time positions and by letting one professor take early retirement.

Regan said only a small crowd of faculty and interested students attended the meeting.

Regan said he believed the meeting was well-planned to establish a dialogue between the administration and the department and to clarify any questions department members had about the proposed changes.

Algeo, meanwhile, said the meeting between his department and Koob was well-attended.

"The room was packed to capacity," Algeo said. "You couldn't get anybody else in the room."

Algeo said the main point students brought up during the meeting was that the education provided by Cal Poly's 530-student animal science program was superior to any other institution in California.

The students stressed that other majors on campus also were available at other CSU schools in departments of equitable quality, because of the land resources, animal resources and faculty qualifications. Cal Poly's animal science program was unique, he said.
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Program Review Task Force discussed the option of across-the-board cuts but decided that would be too difficult for some departments.

Koob said the task force perceived that journalism was a weaker department and decided to "make them aware that expectations from Cal Poly are higher than what is being provided by the journalism department."

Koob said $648,000 will be cut from the School of Liberal Arts, $300,000 of which will be cut from journalism.

Ribeau responded that the School of Liberal Arts, for the time being, will absorb most of the $300,000 to be cut from journalism.

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Koob cited two examples of universities making drastic budget cuts. He said Humboldt State is cutting three of its seven schools, and Cal State Chico is cutting 500 faculty members.

Many students agreed with journalism junior Shea Roberts' opinion that no matter what the students said, the departments would be cut anyway. She said she is disappointed that the students aren't being informed or consulted.

"I don't feel like I learned anything (at the meeting) that I didn't already know," she said.

Koob responded that accreditation is a team effort between the administration and faculty. "I have seen programs in similar situations that have achieved it," he said.

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Summer, 1991-92 editors chosen

New staff for Summer Mustang and the 1991-92 Mustang Daily has been announced for both summer and next year. All are journalism majors.

Jason Foster, a junior, will take over in full as editor-in-chief for the 1991-92 academic year. Foster was Mustang Daily's investigative editor for the 1990-91 academic year. He was chosen in May by Mustang Daily's Publishing Board, a committee of journalism professors and the newspaper's business manager.

Working with Foster next year as managing editor will be Patty Hayes, a junior. Hayes was freelance editor for the 1990-91 Mustang Daily.

The rest of the staff will include Peter Hartiba, opinion editor; Joe Tarica, arts and entertainment editor; Amy Reardon, insight editor; Neil Pascale, sports editor; Hans Hess, photo editor; David Bock, city editor; Larre Sterling, copy editor; and Jennifer Smith, illustrator.

"I'm excited about next year's editorial staff," Foster said. "They have a lot of talent, and I'm confident the paper will reflect that in all areas."

Tara Murphy, a senior, will be editor-in-chief of Summer Mustang. Murphy is currently the managing editor of Mustang Daily.

"We'll be keeping an eye on budget cuts and what effects they'll have," Murphy said. "We'll also be trying to do more in-depth feature stories."

David Bock will be Summer Mustang's managing editor. Current opinion editor Larre Sterling will continue her role throughout the summer.

The staff will be rounded out by Hans Hess as photo editor, Neil Pascale as copy editor and an illustrator who has yet to be selected.

le the work load, I wouldn't have taken the job," he said. "I will have a lot of capable people working alongside me."

Gerard also was satisfied with Lebens' appointment to the interim position. "Frank is an excellent choice for the new position," Gerard said. "He has every confidence in his ability. He's sure to lead Mustang and I'll be pleased with the changes that will be made." Lebens began his career at Cal Poly in 1972 as an assistant to the Director of Personnel Relations.

In 1975, he became the University Budget Officer. Lebens was promoted to associate vice president for Academic Resources in 1981. Before his career at Cal Poly, he served as an engineering officer in the U.S. Navy.

Both Landreth and Gerard agreed that Lebens' background made him a fine choice by the president for the interim position.

Matt Hernandez, business senior — "I can't believe we're cutting education. In Japan, the last thing they cut is education. They will raise taxes before they reduce the quality of instruction their students are getting. I think this is a good example of how low this country's standards and morals have dropped, when military spending is king and education is thrown aside."

Dallinda Langley, food science senior — "The administration is cutting the wrong areas. This is supposed to be a hands-on, polytechnic college, and some of the programs being cut are directly related to hands-on training. It's like taking the name right out of the college."

Victor Cross, aeronautical engineering senior — "I'm very disappointed because I don't think the recommendation committee looked at the whole picture. From what I've seen concerning the pay increases of certain administrators, budget cuts should have started with salaries and then worked its way down. These administrators are being well compensated, while we students go begging. It's like we students are paying more and getting less."

Jen Smith, social sciences and design senior — "I think the budget cuts mean a professor automatically gets to stay. More attention needs to be focused on what kind of teacher they are, not just how long they've been here."