Task force smooths fee referendum report

By Tracy Condron
Staff Writer

The Instructionally Related Activities task force met Monday to edit its report on the IRA fee referendum, which is now split into two categories — one for athletics and one for all other non-athletic activities.

The task force will release its information at a press conference in Chumash Auditorium Thursday at 4 p.m.

The report contains background information on IRA, as well as what would happen if the referendum were to pass or if it were to fail, according to a rough draft of the report.

It also includes how the increased fees would be reassessed at Cal Poly's tuition if the referendum were to pass.

The report is formatted in a question-and-answer style.

After two hours of debate at the meeting over wording of the report, members became edgy and anxious to complete the report.

"I'm relieved that this is almost all done," task force member Bruce Sherman said. "I just wish this meeting wasn't this heated."

Bruce Sherman, chairman of the task force, was satisfied with the progress made.

"I generally feel that the task force has put 110 percent into its report," Sherman said.

He added that the task force has worked hard to keep the information objective.

"I feel that overall it (the report) is non-biased, and hopefully it will allow the students to make an educated decision," Sherman said. "I hope it increases the number of students who vote on the referendum."

After editing the last page, the group confirmed the times and places of their next five meetings this week to prepare themselves for the press conference.

"All we have to decide on is how I'm going to vote on this issue," Smith said.

The IRA task force has been working for three weeks collecting information and speaking with professors, athletic advisors, a marketing consultant and a certified public accountant in order to compile the information necessary to make its report.

The purpose of the report is to help educate the students about the referendum.

Foundation worker dies

By Lori Cheseman
Staff Writer

Donna Fritz is remembered by her friends and co-workers as a giving, understanding person who always was willing to lend a helping hand.

Fritz died last Wednesday at age 54 of a heart attack.

Fritz worked for the Cal Poly Foundation for the past 22 years and had held just about every job in the Foundation, co-workers said.

"She was very maternal, a very caring person," said Don Shemenske, national director of the Foundation.

Most recently, she was the business services administrator.

"She was very committed to the Foundation and her friends," said Don Shemenske, director of Financial Services for the Foundation. "She was a very outgoing and fun-loving person, a very caring person who was always willing to start a project or help out a friend."

Robert Wagner, the payroll clerk for the Foundation and a good friend of Fritz, said she was fortunate to have had Fritz as a supervisor.

"She was a caretaker for us all," Wagner said. "She answered all our questions about everything. The amount of knowledge she had was incredible. She was glad to help and will be missed."

Wagner fondly remembers how Fritz gave her a wedding shower and helped her through the first year of working at the Foundation.

"She always wanted to do special things for people," Wagner said.

Fritz loved to plan parties and decorated for the holidays, she said.

Her dedication to the Foundation was obvious, Wagner said, but Fritz was also a devoted mother and grandmother.

"She was very maternal, even with those she worked with," she said.

Fritz was born in Rockford, Ill., on Jan. 8, 1937.

She is survived by her husband, Dick, a retired San Luis Obispo firefighter, her son, Bob, and her daughter, Lynn.

Activist visits Cal Poly to seek support for firing of chancellor

By By Scott Abbott
Staff Writer

"Cut down a forest, rob a bank or two, and you all may become administrators of the CSU," Earth First! summa...
RUILI, China (AP) — Spectators jammed into the only cinema in the dusty frontier town one recent morning, munching on snacks and yelling, "Kill! Kill!" at the sentencing of 34 people convicted of drug crimes.

The rally in Ruili was one of 14 held across southwest China's Yunnan province in Yunnan were given death sentences, and more than 100 drug smugglers and dealers on Oct. 26. On that day, dozens and possibly hundreds of people gathered early that cloudy morning outside the cinema.

After the Ruili rally, those sentenced to death were taken immediately to an execution ground in the mountains about six miles away. Executions are carried out with a bullet to the back of the head.

Yunnan, which borders on the drug-producing "Golden Triangle" of Laos, Thailand and Burma, has China's most serious drug problem.

Two Western travelers who attended Ruili's rally said hundreds of people gathered early that cloudy morning outside the cinema.
The next step in computers

Cal Poly Technology Fair displays the future in hardware, software

By Scott Abbott

The innovative edge of personal computing products are on display for students today at the second annual Technology Fair in Chumash Auditorium.

The two-day fair, which was open to faculty and staff Tuesday, is hosted by the El Corral Bookstore Computer Department and is designed to show the Cal Poly community what is currently available from the PC market.

Approximately 15 manufacturers of computers and software are displaying their newest products in hopes of attracting potential customers from the Cal Poly community.

Companies represented at the fair include Apple, IBM, NeXT, Everex, Borland, Microsoft and CADKEY.

El Corral Computer Department Sales Manager Jud Jones, who helped organize the fair, said that the reason for the exhibition is more of an information session than a sales opportunity.

“The primary goal is to show potential customers the latest offerings in personal computing. This year, we are seeing a lot of new products that haven’t been on the market before,” Jones said.

Approximately 150 people attended the fair, which opened at 9 a.m. Tuesday. Jones said the fair attracts a diverse group of attendees, including students, faculty and staff.

By Aaron Nix

Faculty group files grievances citing wrongful release of two employees

The California Faculty Association at Cal Poly recently filed formal grievances on behalf of two campus lecturers laid off due to budget cuts before the start of the 1991-92 school year.

Adequate funding and appropriate workload for the two lecture positions are the grounds for the grievances being lodged, said Jim Conway, Cal Poly chapter president of the CFA.

“We knew there would be the possibility of layoffs as early as last spring, but in these two cases, the CFA believes there was a definite need for their services and enough money to keep the lecturers on,” Conway said.

The CFA represents the interests of all “unit three” employees, which includes coaches, faculty, librarians and counselors at the university level.

The grievances are still pending and could take an indefinite amount of time to resolve, depending on the seriousness of the dispute, said Conway.

Cal Poly follows a three-level grievance process, starting with the dean of the particular school involved. If the dispute cannot be handled there, it goes to a higher level of the administration. Finally, if no compromise can be met, the matter is turned over to arbitration by an outside mediator.

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“That means that under normal circumstances, the final eight people on the list would have just failed to be rehired,” Pieper said. “Ordinarily, lecturers are hired on a year-to-year basis.

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Euthanasia

Euthanasia is the practice of painlessly putting to death people who have incurable, painful or distressing diseases or handicaps. Euthanasia, or mercy killing, comes from the Greek language and translates to "good death."

While a book on suicide, "Final Exit" by Derek Humphry, tops the New York Times bestseller list, the topic of Euthanasia has once again been thrust into the national spotlight.

Traditionally, a person whose breathing and heartbeat has stopped is considered dead. Today, however, physicians can use artificial means to prolong the functioning of the heart and lungs. As a result, the new definition for death, accepted by most physicians and lawyers, is when the brain has been dead for more than 24 hours.

Most euthanasia is illegal in the United States, Canada and almost all other countries. An alternative to euthanasia is the withholding of most types of medical treatment. This practice allows the patient to live out his or her life as naturally as possible.

The law has accepted euthanasia, in some isolated circumstances, when a person writes out a living will. Such documents ask physicians not to delay inevitable death. In 1976, the California legislature passed a law that recognizes living wills under certain circumstances.

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Clarification

In the Friday, Nov. 1 issue, Carmen Alicea was pictured wearing a nun's habit and smoking a cigarette. The picture caption failed to say the habit was a Halloween costume.

Mustang Daily apologizes to Carmen Alicea for any embarrassment she may have suffered.
The word 'summer' paints a different picture for different people.

To some it represents a time to bask in the warm sun for hours on end. For others, summer means the same as fall, winter and spring... classes. And still, for the more ambitious, it represents a time of adventure, experience, travel and money.

In this case, the 'ambitious' are those Cal Poly students who spent last summer in the Alaskan fisheries, doing internships on Capitol Hill, selling books on the East Coast, managing Student Painters or fighting fires.

These jobs have provided many students with summer experiences they will never forget.

**Internships on Capitol Hill**

Pam Johnstone, Lisa Travis and Diana Kane have two things in common: they all worked on Capitol Hill this summer and they all thought the experience was fantastic.

Political science senior Johnstone said, "I am definitely going toward a speedo graduation. I just can't wait to get back to Capitol Hill because, there, everything is so exciting. People that make the news I was meeting in the halls."

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Meet Lisa Travis, left, poses with a friend in Washington, D.C., where she spent her summer as a Capitol Hill intern.

"I literally ate, breathed and slept politics."

Although she was always busy, Kane said she still managed to get lonely at times. "I got lonely every now and then, but during those times, I learned a lot about myself," she said.

She said the summer she experienced should be one everyone is able to experience. "Being in San Luis Obispo is like being in a bubble. Politicians is not right before you as it is there. It's all around you in Washington."

Political science senior Lisa Travis interned with Sen. Bob Lagomarsino of California this summer.

"The people on Capitol Hill are amazing," she said. "They live in the fast lane, always on the phone and always in a hurry to get things done." Travis said she felt like she was in the middle of politics and that, she said, was what excited her most.

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**Letters from Home**

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**Alaskan Fishery**

James Snaparzak, left, a co-worker, Wes Holland and Steve Jagendorf pose on the job at a fishery in Petersburg, Alaska, where they spent their summer.

"The most satisfying aspect of the job was reaching his goals, Stuit said.

"Two of his goals included making money and surviving the summer. He said he achieved both, and more. He made $9,500, survived the summer and met who he considers, "the best people in the world."

"The thing that keeps you going is yourself, you begin to see what you are capable to doing. I just needed the challenge."

"My goals and motives began to change. I wasn't working toward a speedy graduation. I began working toward helping others."

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In search of adventure and money, speech communication junior Wes Holland and two friends shaved their heads, hopped into his car and headed for a summer working in the fishery. However, the summer was not quite what Holland expected, he said.

"The hours were too long, the pay too little and the work too tough." But the 15-18 hours a day and seven-day work week were not what bothered him most.

Holland said he was very disappointed that he only made $3,000.

He also said he did not like sharing what he described as a '12-by-12' room with three others — for $450 a month per person.

"Would he do it again?"

"I would never work in a canery (again) as long as I lived — never," he said.

"People go to see Alaska and make money, but if a person is going for the money, all I have to say is, don't go."

He did say that if one wants to see beauty, then Alaska is the place. "You can't just imagine it, you have got to go to it," he said.

Holland said the experience is not one he regrets. "I got to see an incredible place, and the experience definitely improved my work ethic," he said.

"The hours are so long. Some days you don't even know why you are doing it, but you do. You just hang in there."

James Snagorski, a physics senior, also worked in the Alaska fishery. He drove a forklift in a warehouse, working seven days a week, 18-hours a day.

"The hours were so long," he said. "We learned to drink coffee by the gallon because we were all so tired." He made $5,500 and said he worked for every penny of it. Working 51 days straight without a day off made Snagorski realize what a disciplined person he truly is.

"The summer was an adventure and an experience. I learned a lot about myself," he said. "After surviving the long hours I've come out of it realizing I have a good work ethic and I am disciplined."

Steve Jagerhorn, a crop science junior said, "I had to do something. The creditors were hounding me down to pay my bills. I was stark, I needed cash. So we went to Alaska.

Jagerhorn said after a few weeks in the fisheries he managed to get himself into a routine. He said the long hours became easier, and after a long day's work he and the other workers would drink a few beers before going to bed.

"The price of beer in Alaska is ridiculous," he said. A cheap beer, according to Jagerhorn was $3.25. And if a band was playing it was $3.50.

Holland said, "We had to start drinking Burgie beer. It's the cheapest, and they love it up there."

One aspect of the summer the three can't and don't wish to forget is the beauty that surrounded them every day.

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The money a firefighter can make varies with every fire season. If during a certain season there are many fires, the firefighters earn from $4,000 to $7,000, Pelstring said.

A love for the outdoors is what encouraged Grant Hardgrave, a senior civil engineering major, to fight fires last summer.

According to Hardgrave, a person cannot be half-hearted about the decision to fight fires. He said the fire fighters carry heavy equipment up steep hills and must wear gear that weighs close to 35 pounds.

"The job is challenging, both mentally and physically," he said.

Hardgrave was quick to add that the worst part of the job was getting in shape at the beginning of the season.

Firefighters go through extensive physical training before being permitted to fight fires.

Gary Hale a natural resource management junior, never imagined that taking just one class at Cal Poly could change his career plans. Forestry 204 certified Hale to be a wild land firefighter (specializing in rural and forest areas).
ASI consists of the ASI president, clubs and organizations serving areas in ASI government and Executive Staff. The Board of Directors contribute to the betterment of the welfare of students at Cal Poly. It is an excellent way to meet people and to make college life more enjoyable.

There are many areas of university government in which students can get involved and contribute to the betterment of Cal Poly.

ASV is designated to provide student services and advocate student needs. ASV's main function is to promote and advance the welfare of students at Cal Poly, and to make college life more enjoyable.

ASI is also responsible for the University Union at Cal Poly. The student council made up of clubs and organizations to fit your interests.

Infall and periodically throughout the academic year, students are appointed to the committees that decide the direction of the university and our educational careers. Most of these committees are a good place for students to "get their feet wet" and become involved.

Program Board: The Program Board brings together the chairs of the major student sponsored committees of the student activities at Cal Poly. Committees of the Program Board are concerts, films, fine arts, outings, speaker forum and special events.

School Council: Each school at the university has a council made up of clubs and other representatives from within the school. School councils are important links between ASI and the students of various schools.

University Union Advisory Board: The UUB sets policies for the University Union at Cal Poly.

Board of Directors: The Board of Directors was formerly known as the Student Senate. Directors are elected each spring from each school of the university. They make decisions on the use of student funds for programs, activities and the University Union. The board also sets policies and makes recommendations on educational issues that affect students.

The Board of Directors meets every Wednesday at 7 p.m. Meetings are open to the public.

Executive Staff: ASI Executive Staff is appointed by the ASI president to serve in the administrative duties of ASI.

This year's officers include: executive vice president, vice president of finance, academic coordinator, community relations, student relations, marketing coordinator, ethnic relations, executive relations, student relations, marketing assistant, administrative assistant and administrative coordinator.

That is ASI in a nutshell. It is easy to get involved. All you need is a little enthusiasm and dedication. There are governmental positions as well as a broad range of committees and organizations to fit your interests.

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By Ted Holt
Staff Writer
At the request of Supervisor David Blakely, the San Luis
Obispo County Board of Supervisors approved a $700 donation to
Cal Poly's Associated Students Inc. (ASI) Neighborhood Cooperative
Week.
The funds will come from the 5th District Community Project Funds. Cal Poly is contained in the district, which is represented by Blakely.

Neighborhood Cooperation Week, which was Oct. 24-31, was sponsored by the Student-Community Liaison Committee.

"We are very appreciative of the money that they donated," said ASI President David Kapic.

This was the first year that Neighborhood Cooperation Week has been held, Kapic said. The focus was increasing communication between students and their neighbors.

"But it's not just students that need to make all the efforts," he added. Community members need to make students feel like part of the community, he said.

Also in its meeting Tuesday, the board approved the transfer of $4,060,163 from the County of San Luis Obispo for the main jail expan­sion. The project entails con­struction of inmate housing and a remodeling of the existing jail.

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