ASI employees to face switch of duties, desks

By Maxine Gisinger

Due to the Cal Poly Foundation's takeover of payroll and accounting functions of ASI, four ASI Business Office employees will be directly affected — they all face a job change. The Director of Finance, Accountant I, Accountant II and the Accountant Technician will no longer be solely carrying out the responsibilities of managing ASI's funds. Because this is a personnel matter, ASI Executive Director Polly Hargrave, an accounting and payroll technician, said it was three days late, and that the deadline was missed by Fetzer, a committee member.

"It's more a matter of timing," she said. "We need immediate business functions and employees."

The fate of Cal Poly political science professor Phil Fetzer's career now lies in the hands of the Cal Poly Foundation. The decision made up of Committee Chair Robert Ronan, is appealing a tenure denial.

Fetzer's tenure bid stalled by dispute

By Maria T. Garcia

According to a press conference held in Bishop's Lounge Thursday by members of a committee formed to support Fetzer's bid for tenure, Fetzer filed an official grievance with the university last spring. The grievance was set to go to arbitration. However, Fetzer and the Cal Poly Faculty Association were later notified by Cal Poly that a request for arbitration had missed an important filing deadline when it arrived late in the mail. Fetzer said the actual dates are still in dispute.

"Originally (the university) said it was three days late," Fetzer said. "But he has also been told the deadline was missed by only one day, thus creating the dispute.

"It was a fuming Deputy District Attorney Christopher Darden who argued the defense of miscon-
The decision to transfer accounting and payroll operations of ASI accounts to the Cal Poly Foundation is both legal and in the best interests of the students, according to Vice President for Student Affairs Juan Gonzalez.

"We felt that with the state of affairs within the ASI organization we needed to insure ... the safety of student funds," he said. But ASI Board Chair John Lew is not completely convinced.

"Whether or not outsourcing (ASI accounting operations) to the Foundation will be in the best interest of the students has not been determined," Lew said. Gonzalez declined to comment specifically on the "state of affairs" within ASI because of ongoing investigations into alleged improprieties by former ASI employees. He did say that those alleged improprieties included accusations of embezzlement directed at a former ASI account-ant last fall.

Another consideration made by the university before announcing this decision was the legal aspect of the plan. "Everything we are doing conforms with state law," Gonzalez said.

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ASI: University, ASI officials converge to seek solution to financial quandry

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Finance Frank Lebana, Associate Vice President for Administration and Finance Vickie Stover, and ASI's senior staff managers. That meeting was on 5th, 0 said.

Since it was a short week, no ASI meeting was planned for Wednesday, the following day. Lew said it was too late to call one, and the decision was made to withhold the story until the following week.

Since some staff members were affected by the change, Lew said Harrigan wanted to tell them it was coming before they heard it somewhere else.

Gonzalez said that from the university's perspective, the condition of ASI finances is a serious matter.

"There are a series of concerns within the operation of financial management that have brought us to this decision," he said.

Gonzalez said the decision was based on: Investigation of a former ASI accountant accused of embezzling student money; mismanagement of ASI funds; inappropriate handling of personnel issues, payroll, and lack of expertise in using the ASI computer system.

"You don't mess round with payroll, particularly when you are talking about 500 or 600 employees," Gonzalez said.

The accounting system was a twenty-five year employee of ASI — who was accused of embezzlement, is still being investigated, according to Brown.

"We want to make sure the investigation is complete and that all bases are covered," he said.

Public Safety Investigator Roy Barrett — who is examining the alleged embezzlement and unable to be reached for comments — was not available for comment.

Although the ASI Board of Directors was surprised by the announcement, Gonzalez reminded members that they had been informed in past closed sessions about problems regarding ASI's financial operations.

"We have been moving on a fast track. As soon as Polly (Harri­
gen) and I started understand­
ing the immense situation, we started to confer with university staff to validate our perceptions and to consult some ASI officers," Gonzalez said.

President Warren Baker refused to comment on the matter. Executive Assistant Daniel Howard-Greene spoke on the president's behalf.

"The President is very con­
cerned over the management of finances within ASI," he said.

"He concurred with Gian Gon­zalez's recommendation to out­source the accounting function."

"Asked whether Howard-­
Greene viewed the move as re­linquishing students' rights to their money, he said, "I think I would perceive the situation as an op­portunity to draw on the exper­
Tise of the Foundation."

Gonzalez said the situation should be categorized as atypical and that it doesn't exemplify business as usual.

"From (the university's per­
spective) this is not precedent­setting," Gonzalez said. "We do have a history of a university taking such dramatic actions, but after complete comprehen­sive analysis of ASI's ability to conduct its financial respons­
ibility, it was our perception that things were not well and needed to be changed."

Gonzalez stressed that this decision would not affect the autonomy of ASI.

"We are not saying that (ASI) will no longer have the ability to run independently," he said. "All we are requiring is that the financial operations, accounting and human resource procedures be transferred over to the Fou­
dation. For the sake of students and the greater good of the cam­
pus, we need higher levels of in­
tegrity within the financial book­
keeping process."

According to Foundation Exec­
utive Director Al Amaral, the Foundation will take over "just the basic accounting processing."

"We've not taking over the management functions," he said. "We're just trying to see if we can work not in a way where we can act as a bureau... where we provide services for a fee."

The Foundation is already planning the handling of ASI payroll matters, and the entire action should be fully imple­
mented within four to six weeks, according to Gonzalez. ASI is being asked to work with the university staff to prepare for the transition.

"ASI may perceive this as a unilateral decision, but they will still be functioning as an inde­
pendent auxiliary," Gonzalez said.

Gonzalez reminded the board that ASI is an auxiliary of the university and that it must operate in compliance with California State University policy and California statute.

"Everything we are doing is con­forming with state law," Gonzalez said. "The university specifically holds the president of the university responsible for as­
certaining all appropriate expen­
ditures within ASI."

Gonzalez said many of the details have yet to be defined, and it was too early for the university to be sharing informa­tion about the relationship between ASI and the Foundation.

"I'm being vague because I think this information borders­
lines closed session," Gonzalez said.

Any discussion relating to personnel is, by law, closed to the public.

Gonzalez explained that the Foundation will take over ASI's financial management because they have the experience and capability to do so.

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Accounting transfer not likely to hurt ASI-funded programs

By Amy Rosbocli

The movement of ASI ac­
counting and payroll functions to Foundation control will not affect ASI-funded programs such as Rec Sports and McPhee's Game Area, according to their directors and managers.

Director of Recreational Sports Rick Johnson said he and his staff were informed about the decision Thursday morning. He said he does not think the move will affect funding or students.

"At this time, none of the operations proposed (by the Foundation) will affect Rec Sports," he said. "The Founda­tion will only be involved in ac­
counting, not decision-making processes," he said.

GUIDELINES: Actions not unprecedented

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California Education Code states that "the president ... shall be responsible for ... the integrity of the financial reporting made by auxiliary organizations." This places the ultimate authority over ASI's accounting operations in the hands of the university.

"It's an unfortunate decision and I regret the circumstances that led to it," Polly Harrigan ASI executive director.

"The president and university are ultimately responsible for as­
suring that all expenditures are in accordance with the standards set forth by the California State University Board of Trustees," she said.

"It's a fortunate decision and I regret the cir­
sumstances that led to it. Our hope is that services to the stu­
dents will be improved."

This proposal by the univer­
sity is not unprecedented.

According to CSU spokesperson Colleen Bentley-Adler, "it is not unusual for one auxiliary to be transferred to another, mostly to prevent unnecessary overlapping of duties."

Steve Goldie, ASI Consumer Services Coordinator, agreed. He does not think it will create any changes in McPhee's finances.

Second Edition Manager Den­nis Medores said he has heard about the change, but is not familiar with what is going on.

"We have our own accountant for half of (Second Edition's) funds and I'm not sure how (the change) will affect the other half," he said.

The Children's Center will not be affected either, according to Program Coordinator Patty Greff.

"The Foundation) will only help with the technical part of (fines) as far as I know," she said.

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Just as, like my anthropology teacher says, a hominid is a "habitually striding" creature, man is the "habitually fearful of shopping" creature.

But this is not a solely sex-linked characteristic.

I had a pair of sandals that I wore for years because I didn't want to go back to the store. I wore these sandals to the beach, to school, to funerals, and to my senior prom. They were truly tattered by the time I got to Cal Poly. People often took me for a residentially-challenged person because of my shoes.

So, this Christmas, my mom took me to shoe shopping by brute force and power of Visa card. It was truly a horrible experience. The store salespersons kept setting up am-bushes for me. I was forced to hide under the lingerie display counters. That was almost as bad as the time my mom took me to another mall to get makeup put on my face by a woman who looked like she took cosmetics lessons from Poisson. I'll never forget her despairing sigh as she looked at me. I almost expected her to call someone to drag me away and put me out of my obvious misery.

I was about to console her with the confidence that I was pretty much born this way when she viciously assaulted my eyebrows with a pair of tweezers. They were reduced to mere shadows of their former magnificent selves.

That was just the beginning of the assault. People often took me for a residentially-challenged person because of my shoes.

Anyway, I got a new pair of shoes, and people have stopped changing my opinion in my face when they see my newly ass-aulted eyebrows. They were reduced to mere shadows of their former magnificent selves.

It occurred to me that it might be a bit beyond my means, so I asked to see the smallest size. It was like a quarter inch.

These are truly horrid places where perfectly innocent people are subjected to potpourri-scented knickknack stores, hideously overpriced boutiques and, worst of all, painlessly overdressed and overmade-up women lunging from behind pillars to spray strange chemicals all over them.

Everybody ever asks if you want lethal smelling, possibly carcinogenic "perfume" with names like "Criminal Assault" and "Nymphomaniacs" splashed across your person so that you smell like a maniac as in his.
SIMPSON: Prosecutor denounces witnesses

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"There were things I had no obligation to tell them," he declared. "They cannot get inside my head. They'd like to get into our briefcases. They'd like to go home with us if they could."

Simpson is on trial for the slayings of his ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman.

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ASI: Foundation to take reins of financial control

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and Manzar Foroozah, education professor Donald Cheek, English professor Habib Sheik, philosophy professor Laurence Houlgate and ethnic studies professor Will Coleman.

Fetzer came to Cal Poly in 1983 to teach political science. After his arrival, he started Civil Rights Awareness Week in an effort to increase political consciousness at the university. He also became adviser to the Political Science Club and to Voice XIII, a student news magazine no longer in publication.

Last May, 21 professors applied for tenure and Fetzer was the only one to have his request denied.

After the tenure denial, Fetzer was given one year's notice to find other employment. He then issued a written statement about his intention to appeal the university's decision.

Last June, Fetzer received a letter signed by Koob. The letter described the reasons for Fetzer's tenure denial.

"This decision is based on the lack of evidence that you have made satisfactory progress in the areas of teaching effectiveness and professional growth and achievement," the letter stated.

However, the faculty committee believes otherwise.

They feel that "his record of accomplishment exceeds the criteria for tenure and promotion at Cal Poly."

"Fetzer represents cultural diversity on this campus," Velasquez said.

Koob's letter also stated: "It is with regret that I must formally notify you by means of this letter that your services with the University will terminate on June 10, 1995 and that you will have no further reemployment rights."

The tenure process is handled by several departments. After a departmental commitment grants a tenure recommendation, the matter then goes to the dean of the college. The dean can either accept or override the department's motion before forwarding it to the vice president for academic affairs.

In the tenure process, candidates are evaluated on professional development, teaching ability, service to the university community and "other factors."

In the packed room, a student attending the press conference asked why the university would want to spend student money by taking the matter this far.

Grande answered: "Because the process is to wear students down."

According to mathematics professor Gary Epstein, the cost of the arbitrary hearing will be split evenly by the union and the university.

Gary urged students and the public to attend the March 6 hearing.

The committee asked the public to be present at the meeting to "lend moral support to Dr. Fetzer."

Political science senior Pedro Arroyo said he is saddened by the decision.

"I see him as a strong role model," Arroyo said. "I can guarantee I am not the only one that views him in this manner."

Arroyo, who will graduate in June, said if Fetzer leaves, the university will suffer in the long run.

"But the Political Science Department will hurt even more," Arroyo said.

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ASI: Foundation to take reins of financial control

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Stover, of the administration and finance office, said that because only four ASI employees are managing the accounting of an $8 million operation, there was a question of internal control.

"Foundation is a much larger operation, and it has measures of internal control already in place," Stover said. Stover attended the meeting to assist Gonzalez in addressing the issue.

At least three members of the board, including Chair Jon Lew, knew about the action prior to announcement but were aware of secrecy. The rest of the board was shocked and listens to the announcement with silence.

"Due to our recent history of mismanagement, I can understand this move," said College of Agriculture Representative Steve McPhane. "However, this has hit me like a ton of bricks."

"I'm supposed to feel autonomy," said Liberal Arts Representative Jerry Burge. "But I don't feel very autonomous. It sounds like a take over to me."

Other directors felt that they should have been allowed to vote on the action. Gonzalez replied by saying the board has no choice in the matter.

"This is going to happen," Gonzalez said. "This is a board reality decision."

Stover said a contract will be negotiated between ASI and Foundation. Whatever the contract expires, ASI could have a chance to regain control of its finances.

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SPORTS

SUPER BOWL: 49ers are 19-point favorites to win their fifth championship

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"tunity comes up or shows itself, then I am going to be a guy that is going to take that chance," those opportunities apparently always present themselves to the 49ers, who led the league with 505 points and have scored 84 in two playoff games. Of course, with Steve Young, Jerry Rice, John Taylor, Ricky Watters, Brent Jones and rookie William Floyd (a budding star), what else would you expect?

Young led the league in passing for the fourth straight year, a record. He set a ratings mark of 112.8 and a team record with a 70.3 completion percentage and 35 touchdowns.

Rice, considered by many the greatest receiver ever, had a career-high 112 catches and eclipsed Jim Brown's career touchdown record.

They are only the two brightest supernovas in the 49ers' galaxy, which also includes Deion Sanders, Ken Norton, Rickey Jackson, Todd Hebert, Mike Renfro, Tony Shaw and Fred Dean.

When have they not clicked? Except for an inexplicable 41-8 loss to Philadelphia and a meaningless 21-0 shutout of Minnesota in the finals, when few of San Francisco's regulars saw much action, the Niners did not score fewer than 21 points in any of their last 11 games. Other than the 21 vs. Dallas — considered the second-best team in football — the 49ers averaged 38 points in 10 games, winning the last seven in a row.

"We've won games the way we wanted to win games," center Steve Oates said. "There are teams who go through a season like that; when I was with the Giants, we squandered them out. It was my fault, there, an extra point there. It was like, Wow, were we lucky to win that game." This time, there is no doubt about the season and the playoffs. This is in the board and ready to win games. And that is pretty much the way we have done it."

WOMEN'S TENNIS: Mustangs return seven players

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Cal Poly's chief rival in the American West Conference will be Cal State Northridge.

As for the schedule, Cal Poly will be going up against the likes of UC-Santa Barbara, Washington State, Nebraska and Fresno State on the road. Loyola Marymount and AWC rivals Cal State Northridge and Sacramento State highlight the home schedule.

As for the players, the move up to Division I play has generated more excitement than ever.

"I expect it to be more competitive and a lot more fun," Arnold said. "It's a lot more fun playing better teams."

"I'm very excited starting the matches. Everyone is really fired up and ready."
San Diego Chargers to the Super Bowl, led by likely Hall of Famers all over the place, are self-proclaimed blue-collar guys.

For 19-point favorites to roll over the time All-American at the Division II level, Arnold was a freshman at the University of Nevada, Reno. He is expected to return to the team this season.

Junior Michelle Berkowitz and sophomore Christine Walter are back at No.2 and No.3 for singles after teaming up to finish in the semifinals in last year's Division II doubles championship. Both are doubles All-Americans at the Division II level and will play No.2 doubles together this year.

By Jeffrey Jen

The move to Division I has prepared the Mustangs for battles with the top teams in Division I. In addition to its history of dominance at the Division II level, Cal Poly women's tennis has proven players. The Mustangs went 15-5 last year and finished fifth at nationals.

In the last seven years, the program has garnered 19 All-Americans and has finished each year among the top five teams in Division II. Few Mustang programs are better prepared for the transition up to another level. "It's a pretty major step up," said Coach Chris Eppright. "Competition will be a lot harder. The step up shouldn't be too difficult. We're going up from the top of Division II to Division I."

Eppright attributes much of the program's success to the team's competitive edge. "All the players hate to lose," Eppright said. "A lot of the times, we'll win because we want it more than the other team."

Eppright has placed high goals for the team this year at a level which will include a higher caliber of competition.

"We expect to compete, have a winning record, and to win the American West Conference Championships. Our schedule should provide us with enough competition," Eppright said.

"We haven't been able to practice on and on the days we do practice you get a lot of rain," Eppright said. "It hasn't been easy." Although the women are struggling, the men's team is ready to play.

Meanwhile, baseball players will be hoping for dry weather through the weekend and into next week, allowing them to open their season Thursday against Cal Lutheran at Sin-

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