Fate of faculty furloughs finalized after CFA vote

Lauren Rabaino

The California State University (CSU) and the California Faculty Association (CFA) finalized agreements Wednesday on two-day-per-month faculty furloughs.

The CSU will save about half of the $84 million budget deficit through the furloughs. Of that total, Cal Poly will save approximately $16 million. Furloughs are mandatory non-work days without compensation. About 8,800 CFA members, decided to cut their own wages by 10 percent in the vote that passed by 54 percent.

The alternative — retaining full faculty pay and implementing layoffs, which would likely cut a majority of lecturer positions — doesn't comply with the CSU's mission in Amido's eyes.

"We still have students that we're trying to get through the CSU system," Amido said. "That's what the CSU is focused on. How do we do that? We offer furloughs. Why furloughs? Because it can save classes.

State budget cuts $3 billion from higher education

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California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger signed a state budget Tuesday, that made the $3 billion cut to the University of California (UC) and California State University (CSU) systems official.

In addition to faculty furloughs finalized Wednesday, the CSU Board of Trustees voted to increase student fees by 20 percent on July 21. This fee increase is on top of a 10 percent fee increase that was already approved. One-third of the fee increase will go financial aid.

Brian Ferguson, communications specialist for the CFA, said "This budget crisis has been a very painful experience for students." With the increased student fees, quarterly tuition for Cal Poly students will be $2,666 — which totals at $6,198 in a three-quarter school year, not including summers.

This amount is higher than the $4,827 CSU average, but still lower than the UC average of $8,766.

Cal Poly's tuition is also lower than other polytechnic universities like Cal Tech, which will see tuition of $33,324 in 2009-10 and Virginia Tech, which has an annual tuition of $8,604.

The chancellor's office also announced an enrollment freeze for spring quarter July 9 that would help reduce enrollment by 35,000. The chancellor's goal is to reduce enrollment by a total of 40,000 students for the 2010-11 academic year.

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The total budget cuts needed at Cal Poly are $33.7 million.

Second sign of sharks in SLO

Tim Miller

A bloodied sea lion is the second sign of shark activity in San Luis Obispo County in the past. Shark notices were posted Wednesday morning at Port San Luis because of a suspected shark attack on a sea lion, cautioning beach-goers. No beaches will be closed.

The sea lion was sighted at the sport docks in Port San Luis around 7 a.m. Wednesday, said Greg Weisberg, chief harbor patrol officer at Port San Luis.

No one saw the shark that attacked the sea lion and despite a press release by Cal Fire and reports by other news agencies that the shark was 15 feet in length, the size of the shark is unknown.

Weisberg said that he could not confirm the size of the shark but that the bite was fairly large.

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Cal Poly football team will undergo many changes in the upcoming school year

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it can save some of these lecture jobs so that we can get students through in a timely fashion.”

But she realizes why many of her fellow faculty members planned to vote against the furlough.

“You can understand why people would be unhappy, because guess what? We’re not paid that much to begin with,” Amadio said.

History professor Lewis Call said the pay cuts will devastate his personal finances because, although he and his wife both work, it’s not enough money to sustain his family.

“Even before the furloughs, we just weren’t making it financially,” Call said. “The 10 percent pay cut will completely cripple us, and I’m sure many other faculty — especially junior faculty — are in the same boat.”

Call said that the furlough is unfair because there is an expectation for the same amount of work with low pay.

“A real furlough brings some reduction in workload, but we have not been offered any workload reduction, so it is simply a 10 percent pay cut,” Call said.

Although faculty are expected to take off two days each month, which is technically a 10 percent reduction in workload, details of where that time will come from and how it will impact class schedules is yet to be determined.

Another problem he has is that the CSU furlough cuts everyone’s pay equally instead of proportionately to their salary — like the U.C.'s proposed furlough plan.

The University of California furloughs range from 11 days (a 4 percent pay cut) for the lowest paid employees to 26 days (a 10 percent pay cut) for the highest-paid.

The Memorandum of Understanding issued Wednesday said the president of each CSU campus may designate specific furlough days or partial campus closure days, depending on the needs of the campus.

Faculty members are not permitted to take more than one furlough day in the same work week and all furlough days must be taken before June 30, 2010. Administrators like Vice President of Academic Affairs Bob Koob and President Warren Baker are also included in the 10 percent salary cuts.

There is also a concern that a “brain drain” will make it harder to attract and keep the most qualified faculty and staff.

Koob said that the economic damage will likely cause some Cal Poly employees to be drawn to other higher-paying institutions, but it won’t be a permanent loss.

“Clearly this damage will cause people to leave, but it’ll be short-sighted,” Koob said.

“These economic recessions happen in cycles. We can develop more flexibility if we can deal with this one . . . and come out stronger on the other side.”

In a press release issued by Cal Poly last week, President Baker said management is “working hard to avoid layoffs, but some may be necessary.”

Large tree population declining in Yosemite

Jared Grigsby

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FRESNO, Calif. (AP) — Scientists with the U.S. Geological Survey said Wednesday there are fewer large-diameter trees growing in Yosemite National Park than in your past, most likely because of climate change.

Warmer temperatures and smaller snow packs are creating conditions where fewer Ponderosa and sugar pines and other heartier trees can flourish, said Jim Lutz, a researcher at the University of Washington who co-wrote the study.

“Most of the water that becomes available in the Sierra Nevada comes from the snow pack,” Lutz said. “Higher temperatures might increase populations of insects or make fungi more aggressive . . . which could increasingly contribute to tree mortality.”

Lutz explained that when smaller snow packs collect in April and May, the trees have less water to sustain them in the dry summer months that follow. Warmer temperatures also can increase the severity of wildfires, which can kill off trees, he said.

Another factor in the decline may be that parts of Yosemite haven’t experienced wildfires for 100 years. That could have allowed other species that compete with the bigger trees to survive and suck up the water large-diameter trees need to keep growing in girth, Lutz said.

Overall, researchers concluded that the density of large-diameter trees inside the park dropped by 24 percent from 1932 to 1999, according to a detailed analysis of data from two groups of tree surveys taken throughout the park.

Trees in the park’s higher elevations were among the most affected, the USGS found.

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Yosemite spokeswoman Cindy Mazzola said the data showed that the infostream about large-diameter trees were collected in 1932 and 1999, and that the need for habitat large trees to provide a home, as do some vegetation like mosses, orchids and lichens, researchers said.

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NEWS
Financial stabilization seen in some regions

Jeannine Aversa

The economy is finally showing signs of stabilizing in some regions of the country — especially in parts of the Northeast and Midwest — bolstering hopes of a broader-based recovery this year.

A Federal Reserve snapshot of economic conditions issued Wednesday found that most of the Fed's 12 regions indicated either that the recession was easing or that economic activity had "begun to stabilize, albeit at a low level."

The survey's findings will figure into discussions when Bernanke and his colleagues meet next Aug. 11-12. The Fed is expected to keep a key bank lending rate at a record low through the rest of this year.

Winning jobs remains a major concern. More than 90 percent of the nation's largest metropolitan areas saw their unemployment rates climb in June from the previous month, the Labor Department reported Wednesday. Some of the biggest increase hit college towns, where the annual summertime exodus of students causes bars, restaurants and other businesses to cut staff.

The metro-area unemployment rates aren't adjusted to account for seasonal trends, such as furloughs during the summer or retail clerks let go after the holiday shopping season. So they tend to be volatile from month to month.

The U.S. jobless rate, which hit 9.5 percent in June, is expected to rise to 9.7 percent when the department reports the July rate next week.

Separately Wednesday, the government said orders to U.S. factories for big-ticket durable goods plunged in June by the largest amount in five months, reflecting the troubles in the auto industry and a steep drop in demand for commercial jets.

Overall, orders fell 2.5 percent, much larger than the 0.6 percent decline economists had expected. Orders for commercial aircraft, damped by the global recession, plunged 38.5 percent.

In the Fed report, manufacturing activity showed "some improvement" in the Richmond, Chicago and Kansas City regions.

* need to be able to talk to them, too. Afghanistan's constitution calls for at least 25 percent of seats on provincial councils and at least 27 percent of seats in parliament to be reserved for women. So in most cases, women are running against other women for set-aside seats. But the two presidential candidates are running against men, and there are also many seats open to both men and women.

Of the 1,196 candidates running for provincial seats, about 90 percent — or 2,686 — are men.

In some provinces, like Kandahar, the spiritual home of the Taliban, too few women are on the ballot to fill the quota. In Kapa, where Matin is running, there are three seats reserved for women and six female candidates running. By contrast, more than 60 men are competing for the remaining six seats, which are open to both men and women.

While their male counterparts hold rallies and plaster their districts with posters, female candidates mostly campaign in private, carefully choreographing each foray outside the home. Even women who did not wear the burqa before the fall of the Taliban — only to put it back on when they announced their candidacy for the provincial seat in Panwara, a district of brown hills just west of here.

"When I go into the villages, I'm always trying to encourage my sisters to take off the burqa," she says. "But because of fear for my safety, I don't show my face anymore."

Many female candidates are pushing the limits of what is considered decent by putting up posters of themselves. Their face is shown, though all of them cover their heads with scarves.

Matin says her husband drove her to a photo studio in Kabul and hovered over her as she took her photo, instructing her to pull her hair tightly around her chin so that her hair does not show. But as soon as she put up the poster, a cleric complained, saying the portrait was provocative and un-Islamic because she wore eyeshadow and lipstick.

So in its place, she put up a second poster where she is not wearing a face veil.
State

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Cali. (AP) — A report by San Luis Obispo County officials says a county administrator was fired over an improper relationship with a senior official.

The 24-page report made public Tuesday by a Superior Court judge says Gil Valco, who had an affair with Tony Perry, executive director of the Deputy Sheriff's Association. The report says Valco and Perry, who is married, sat on opposite sides of the bargaining table, Valco for management and Perry for union.

PASadena, Calif. (AP) — Two campus suicides have prompted the California Institute of Technology to consider forming a mental health task force.

Caltech's president made the recommendation at a trustees meeting Tuesday. The elite science school in Pasadena has seen a handful of student suicides in the past decades, including two in the past few months.

Caltech senior Jackson Wang, a chemistry and mechanical engineering junior from Long Kong, was found in his dorm Wednesday. The elite science school in California's president made the recommendation at a trustees meeting Tuesday.

AUBURN, Ala. (AP) — An Auburn University veterinary student has vanished during a sightseeing trip to Thailand, and officials from the Alabama school are in Thai territory trying to find him.

University officials say 24-year-old Michael Griffin Harrie was last seen July 4 in Bangkok. He left the trip July 7 from Japan, where he was participating in a study abroad program at Keio University in Tokyo. He was supposed to meet his parents July 16 in Tokyo, but never arrived.

International

CHICAGO (AP) — The country's oldest black sorority is suing to have its president removed, alleging that she spent hundreds of thousands of dollars of the group's money on herself — some of it to pay for a wax figure in her own likeness.

In the suit filed in Washington, D.C., Alpha Kappa Alpha members allege that President Barbara McKinnie also bought designer clothing, jewelry and lingerie with the society's credit card. The attorney representing the plaintiffs says the Chicago-based society said Wednesday the spending is shocking.

But McKinnie denies what she describes as "malicious allegations" in the lawsuit. She issued a statement saying she has been cleared by the society. McKinnie says the accusations are based on fabrications.

BISHKEK, Kyrgyzstan (AP) — Police broke up opposition rallies protesting the outcome of Kyrgyzstan's recent presidential election on Wednesday, detaining dozens of demonstrators.

Opposition activists accuse the government of rigging last week's vote, during which President Kurmanbek Bakiyev won a second term with 76 percent of the ballots.

Kyrgyzstan's stability is of interest to Russia and the United States. The Central Asian country hosts a U.S. air base crucial to operations in Afghanistan and has been the focus of competition between Washington and Moscow for regional influence.

MADRID (AP) — A suspected car bomb exploded early Wednesday near a Civil Guard barracks in the northern city of Burgos, the Interior Ministry said.

Authorities did not have any immediate details on injuries or damage. State broadcaster RTVE said in its early morning radio and television news bulletins that several dozen people were slightly injured, mainly from flying glass, when the bomb detonated.

Police and emergency services did not receive any warning that a bomb had been planted, but the explosion had the hallmarks of a terrorist attack by the separatist Basque group ETA, the broadcaster said.

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ing makeup — her face washed of all color and her expression blank.

Even so, her husband has asked her not to hang the posters outside. With the exception of a few shops, her posters are distributed to supporters, who put them up behind the walls of their homes.

Those trying to intimidate female candidates also use their families as a pressure point. Last year, militants killed the husband of Nuria Hamsi, a female delegate on the council in Baghlan Province. They beat him and said they would come back to kill him if she did not dissolve her wife from running for a second term.

"It became a family problem for me," says Hamadi, 36, the mother of nine children. "Now my husband is against me. He no longer wants me to be a candidate. ..What should I do? I'd like to serve my people, but I'm finding it very hard."

Hamady has stopped campaigning and she goes to and from her home and office under armed guard. Another woman running for the Baghlan council recently went into hiding after a hand grenade was thrown into her home.

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WORD ON THE STREET

"Will you going into the ocean after the recent shark sighting in Avila beach?"

"Possibly, yeah. Shark attacks are very rare even though there was a shark attack in Avila a couple of years ago."

- Andrew Garcia, general engineering junior

"No, 'cause I haven't been in the water since I've been at Cal Poly."

- Michael Parolini, architecture engineering assistant professor

"No, I've never gone in during the last 13 years I've been here."

- Kelsey Parolini, architecture engineering assistant professor

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The kiss of metal.

This may sound more like a hard rock mantra, but in the case of letterpress printing, it refers to the "kiss" of inked metal pressing down on soft, thick paper.

"It's so yummi, you just want to rub it and touch it," said Jessica Trin- gali, owner of the paper boutique Paper Sky.

Letterpress was the world's primary form of printing for about 500 years originating with Gutenberg. A surface with raised letters is inked and pressed to the surface of the printing substrate (such as paper) to reproduce an image. Typically, metal type is used, but carved wood and stone blocks are also employed.

The process is messy, requiring manual labor and meticulous attention to detail. Letterpress inspires the paper with either type or illustrations and creates a three-dimensional quality. The uneven touch and antique feel of the stamped and pressed paper is what separates letterpress from other printing processes. The look goes straight back to Gutenberg — crisp and tangible.

Terms from letterpress days are still used in current design programs such as Adobe InDesign. For example, leading the amount of vertical spacing between lines of type in InDesign, originates from the amount of actual lead strips set between lines of type in letterpress printing.

"Letterpress is important in today's society — it is a part of the history of communication," graphic communication lecturer Donna Templeton said. "It is essential to see where things have come from and appreciate the art and antiquity of yesteryear."

Whether found on eerie wedding invitations, produced by hip graphic artists or used for holiday greeting cards, letterpress is catching on with a generation eager for an ancient or deeply nostalgic; it's sometimes innovative and original.

Graphic communication professor Lorraine Donegan feels letterpress printing can also stand out from a business prospect. People are reluctant to throw letterpress business cards and invitations away.

"In a world of mass production, creating something that people hold onto is more valuable than ever. Letterpress printing offers that distinctiveness," Donegan said.

Troy Lawkins, were intrigued with letterpress and falling in love. Every old becomes cool and new again," Becky said.

"I compare letterpress printing to cookies. Anyone can buy a box of national brand cookies that are made in a huge factory that are tough and bland. But then only your Grandma can make homemade cookies that are hot, fresh and taste amazing. It's nostalgic, comforting and made at home with love," Becky said.

Of course, letterpress will never regain its place as a primary printing process. But, as with professional presses, the number of amateur letterpress printers is increasing, and so are the number of universities adding letterpress centers for printmaking and graphic design classes.

"More people are learning about letterpress and falling in love. Everything old becomes cool and new again," Becky said.

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U.S. falling behind in green technology

This summer I’m interning at the San Francisco offices of a Chinese solar panel company, which by some measures is the biggest manufacturer of photovoltaic panels in the world. For a couple of years I have followed the course of climate legislation in the United States as well as in the international community, but getting to watch that debate unfold from within the “green economy” bubble has been an eye-opening experience, made all the more interesting by the fact that my employer is Chinese.

The last couple of months have left me with the strong impression that unless America begins making massive investments in renewable energy and pledges sharp cuts in emissions by the time Congress reconvenes in early September, we can expect to be left behind in the race to lead the world’s fledgling solar industry.

Whatever your thoughts on the causes of climate change, the irreducible fact is enough people around the world are sold on the threat of global warming, as well as the dire predictions from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, that every country is left with no choice but to step up.

In 1960, Shakespeare wrote one of the most famous quotations in literature: “To be, or not to be.” Fast-forward to 400 years, and Shakespeare could be typing his line on the Internet as “To tweet, or not to tweet.”

On the surface, Twitter is a mix of sound bites and microblogging that enables users to send and receive 140-character messages and updates known as “tweets.” You can tweet on Twitter using the Web, text messaging services or third-party applications that are installed on your device. It’s a simple tool that condenses our lives into haiku.

But Twitter is much more than that. It can help you get a job, brand yourself and provide you with breaking news (and also insight into what your peers are thinking for directly).

Throughout history, new technology has usually been feared when first introduced. Socrates feared the effect that writing would have on the ability to think. The printing press arrived with fear that this convenient tool would prompt intellectual laziness, making us stupider. The calculator was feared by teachers who worried students would use it so much they wouldn’t understand simple calculations. But from a long term perspective, rather than hurt us, these new technologies have increased our productivity. In the same way, it’s important to consider that condensing our lives into haiku doesn’t have to harm us.

In fact, I asked where a good place was to eat sushi in Los Angeles. Thirty minutes later I had five responses with restaurant recommendations.

Gone are the days when we only had to worry about our identity in our immediate community; now we also have our Internet identity to manage. One of the primary benefits of Twitter is to develop your casual online persona into an approachable and well-connected social personality.

“Twitter will be used to meld the Internet image. The Obama campaign is known on Twitter as ([BarackObama]), an excellent example of this, as it used Twitter to appeal to technologically savvy voters. Down town hall meetings and radio addresses may nurture our nostalgia, but Obama’s Twitter feed met that need for speed.”

For serious Twitters, there is a commercial aspect to this. Building a base of colleagues and peers could lead to possible marketing opportunities. With thousands of subscribers to choose from, new names gain a suitable asset. A penny for your thoughts because they become prospective legal tender.

Twitter is still a free-for-all conversation, Twitter is often the place for breaking news. I remember first hearing about the tsunami and the earthquake in the Philippines through Twitter. Twitter has also been the leading source for coverage on the Iran election, the Hudson plane crash, sports and movie reviews.

In the case of the Hudson plane crash, a Twitter user (@Jaronpak) was on a ferry used to rescue stranded passengers. The New York Times didn’t have the information on the Web site until 30 minutes later.

Furthermore, you can follow many prominent figures, including: Shaq (@THE_REAL_SHAQ), Lance Armstrong (@lancearmstrong) and LeBron James (@KingLamarOdom). One athlete, Mozosaki Beck (@Mike_Villanova), has 15,000 followers (@CV3), wrote “In locker room, snuck to pick my twist. We’re playing a team on the court that a half Coach won more toughness. I gotta step up.”

Using Twitter for its potential networking and noteworthy information ultimately provides users with a powerful media outlet, a source for recommendations and breaking news.

Something to consider, or even to tweet about later.

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Giants get 3-time All-Star Sanchez from Pirates

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SAN FRANCISCO — Freddy Sanchez offered handshakes and hugs as he walked into the Pittsburgh Pirates' clubhouse Tuesday night following the Giants' 1-0, 10-inning victory — so Sanchez merely had to change clubhouses to join his new organization.

San Francisco swept the Pirates on Wednesday, then plucked one of their top players.

The Giants acquired Sanchez and made it a clean sweep by adding a component switch for the three-time All-Star hours after double-play partner and shortstop Jack Wilson was traded to Seattle.

The teams announced the swap following the Giants' 1-0, 10-innings victory — so Sanchez merely had to change clubhouses to join his new organization.

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